

ENGLISH PETANQUE ASSOCIATION

DEVON PETANQUE REGION LEAGUE RULES

The Devon Region League will run throughout the summer months. Competitive league play will allow more players to become involved with inter-club activities and allow players to socialise in a wider circle.

1. There can be any number of people per team.
2. A minimum of six players are required for each match, maximum of eight. This allows for substitution of 2 players during each match.
3. These players can be substituted once only, and only at the end of a game as stipulated in 12.
4. Teams can be made up from either EPA registered or non EPA members.
5. Clubs that enter teams do not have to be registered with the EPA.
6. Should a club enter two or more teams then the club must register players by name for each team.
7. No member can play for more than one team.
8. Each team must pay an initial registration fee of £15. This fee is fixed regardless of the number of team members.
9. Matches within the league will be on a home and away basis.
10. A trophy will be awarded to the winner of the league.
11. Each match will consist of 5 games. 2 Triples followed by 3 Pairs
12. Before the commencement of play each team must nominate independently their A and B Triples and their A, B and C Pairs, these names then being entered on the results cards.
13. The order of play being as follows:

Triples:	A vs. A	B vs. B	
Pairs:	A vs. A	B vs. B	C vs. C
14. Each game to be played to 13 points.

15. The matches will be played at the time and on the dates specified in the 2015 League Structure
16. A team will be deemed to have forfeited the game if it fails to compete in the game as specified in the 2015 League Change Proposals.
17. Any team cancelling a match (other than in exceptional circumstances) will be penalized with a match score of 0 games to 5 and with game score in each game of 0 – 13.
18. The opponents will be awarded the match with a score of 5 games to 0. Their points per game will be calculated at the end of the season, being an average of the results of all the games they won during the league season.
19. Should these opponents have failed to record one match win the games result would be 3 – 2 and points awarded for each game will be 13 – 12.
20. All calculated results will be rounded to the nearest number.
21. NOTE. Being unable to field a team due to holidays, birthdays etc. is not deemed to be exceptional circumstances.
22. In the event of a dispute the Regional Umpires decision is final.
23. Matches are to be played under FIPJP Official rules of the Game of Pétanque. Local rules pertaining to terrains are permitted but must be agreed upon by the team captains before the commencement of plat
24. The time for each match to start is the start time as stated in the League Structure, matches must have started by then or rules 32 & 33 apply (FIPJP Official Rules of the Game of Pétanque)
25. Any queries or confirmations should be addresses to the Regional Umpire whose decision is final, without appeal.
26. Teams Captains are to sign the results cards for each match after play is completed. The home team captain is responsible for forwarding the results to the Devon League Secretary within 48 hours.
27. In the unlikely event of controversy, matches should continue and any appeals should be forwarded to the Devon Regional Umpire within 7 days of the match and copied to the opposing team.

28. The final positions in the League will be decided by the team winning the most matches.
29. In the event of any teams having the same number of wins, then the positions shall be decided by the number of games won and any matches forfeited.
30. Should there still be a tie then the positions will be decided by point's difference.
31. In the unlikely event of two teams having the same point's difference then the result of the matches played between the two will be taken into consideration.
32. If a tie still exists then the trophy shall be shared.