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## NOTES FOR TEAMS / PLAYERS PARTICIPATING IN EDPL FINALS – EDPL WINTER SEASON 2018

*All Divisions 2018 EDPL Winter Season finals will be held at POTTERS POOL HALL Dandenong.*

- Week 1 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Aug – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Div Elimination (Ladder position 3 vs 4, winner plays week 3, loser is out)
  - Week 1 Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug – Prem/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Elimination (Ladder position 3 vs 4, winner plays week 3, loser is out)
  
  - Week 2 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Div Qualify (Ladder position 1 vs 2, winner in Grand Final, loser plays wk 3)
  - Week 2 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept – Prem/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Qualify (Ladder position 1 vs 2, winner in Grand Final, loser plays wk 3)
  
  - Week 3 Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Div Preliminary (Elimination Winner vs Qualifying Loser)
  - Week 3 Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept – Prem/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Preliminary (Elimination Winner vs Qualifying Loser)
  
  - Week 4 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Div **GRAND FINALS!** (Qualifying Winner vs Preliminary Winner)
  - Week 4 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept – Prem/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> **GRAND FINALS!** (Qualifying Winner vs Preliminary Winner)
- **All “teams” not competing in this year’s finals are required to provide umpires for the entire finals series.**
  - **This will also apply to any team that is eliminated during the course of the finals after week 1.**
  - **All non-playing “teams” required to supply Umpires on each night that their division plays finals, each week, Requirements: minimum of 3 umpires for week 1 of finals, and minimum of 2 umpires for weeks 2,3,4 of Finals**
- 1) All players (and umpires) are required to be at the venue no later than **6:45pm**, prefer earlier. Captains and Umpires are to report to control desk as soon as they arrive at venue.
  - 2) Current EDPL DRESS-CODE is applicable to **all players and umpires**.  
**By-law 4.5.2 – EDPL members participating in Winter finals or EDPL Tournaments (either as a player, official or umpire), must wear either black slacks OR a black skirt with black stockings, along with black business shoes and a club/exec shirt (caps, beanies, denim, suede and runners are not acceptable).**
  - 3) Team Captains are required to provide a clear written or printed list of team members (**in playing order**) to Finals Officials desk **by 6:30pm**. A reminder of this will be announced on the night. This list is to include any/all substitutes, if being used, and emergencies.
  - 4) The team that finished higher on the ladder at the end of the home and away season will get the option of being the home or away team on the night.
  - 5) The Home Team is responsible for lodgment of a completed original Scoresheet at the end of the match.
  - 6) Pre-match “official” practice will be available in accordance with times/teams being announced by Finals Officials. Official Practice begins at **6:30pm** with 15 minutes being allowed for each team competing on the night. This is another reason to be there early.

Depending on arrangements made by the EDPL with the venue, Teams may be able to arrange their own practice sessions for earlier in the day by contacting the venue management directly. The allocation of tables to each division for actual matches will be announced after 6:30pm. Don't ask earlier!

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- 7) A specific allocation of time for team meetings will be announced by the Finals Officials prior to matches commencing so don't go off and do your own thing in this regard. Experience shows you will miss an announcement when your team is off in a quiet corner having that motivational chat.
- 8) **No** captains can be called in during any finals game, except in the case of a dispute and only when requested by the Head Adjudicator.
- 9) Players who feel that an umpire's call is incorrect should call in the official Head Adjudicator for a ruling. This must occur at the time of the disputed call. The Head Adjudicator's decision is final.
- 10) In the event of a draw, team captains are required to submit to the Finals Officials desk with a list of players (in playing order) who will participate in the tie-breaker play-offs.

This list is to be given to Finals Officials within 5 minutes of draw being determined. Players must be from the original team and is at the Captain's discretion. The format to be used in the event of a draw is:

- ALL Divisions – 5 frames of singles (5 players playing 1 frame each).

A coin will be tossed prior to play commencing, with the winner of the toss deciding whether to break in the first frame of the play-offs. Breaks for subsequent frames will alternate. All games to be played concurrently with play ceasing as soon as a winning team is decided (i.e. 3 frames won).

- 11) Eligibility of players for selection in a finals team is the Club's responsibility. EDPL Execs / Finals Officials are not in a position to rule on any queries raised on this subject on the night. Players found to be ineligible after playing, will be treated as "un-registered" and standard penalties applied.
- 12) Club support of teams is encouraged however "over the top" barracking or intimidating behavior towards opposing team members will not be tolerated. The Head Adjudicator & Umpires are empowered to impose the "loss of frame" rulings (unsportsmanlike behavior) should the situation arise. The "Block Warning" at the beginning of the night is classified as "first and final warning", with regards to 'coaching', 'loss of frame' rulings etc. Let's also not forget that venue management and the EDPL Executive Committee has the right to eject from the premises any person not behaving correctly.
- 12) All current By-laws, playing rules and the Constitution apply. Any disputes other than on playing rules will be resolved on the night in accordance with By-laws.
- 14) Any questions, queries or concerns should be referred to the Finals Officials.  
NOTE: At the discretion of the EDPL Executive, frame/s may be moved to alternative table/s if they deem it necessary for the continuation of proceedings.
- 15) Listen to all announcements made by the Finals Officials as they probably will affect you! This includes all players. Don't talk through the speeches and then come up to the Officials desk asking questions!
- 16) A "Block Warning" will be given at the start of each match. LISTEN TO IT!
- 17) A light supper will be provided to all players participating on finals nights.
- 18) Grand Finalist Teams required to sit for team photo BEFORE their match. Player medallions for Winning teams will be presented on Grand Final nights, then another photo taken of Winning Team with medals.
- 19) Only players and umpires actually involved in a game, along with Finals Officials, are permitted inside the playing areas.
- 20) If your team wins the night please express your enjoyment away from the tables as others will be still trying to play their games.

Failure to comply with points 19 & 20 could see your team lose a frame or another penalty imposed.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL CLUBS WHO HAVE MADE IT TO THE FINALS IN WINTER 2018.**

**BEST OF LUCK TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM!**