



# **PORTSMOUTH & HAVANT BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

## **LEAGUE RULES**

### **1/ MANAGEMENT**

The management of the league shall be in the hands of the Committee of the Portsmouth and Havant Badminton Association (hereafter known as PHBA) and will be subject to current laws and regulations of badminton as laid down by the Badminton World Federation (BWF). Any matters of discipline, if not clarified within those rules, will be dealt with in accordance PHBA procedures.

### **2/ REPRESENTATIVES**

Anyone may stand as an Officer or Member of the Committee provided they have been voted in through due process. Both Officers and Committee Members, once elected, may represent any club.

Ex-members of PHBA clubs are eligible to stand on the Committee and have voting privileges.

No more than one representative from any league club may stand as an Officer of the PHBA.

No more than one representative from any league club may stand as a Member of the PHBA,

however they can be an Affiliated Member without voting privileges. Only one representative of any club may take part in a vote. All clubs have only one vote each at any PHBA AGM, EGM, or GM.

### **3/ CLUBS**

#### **a. League entry**

Any new clubs wishing to take part in the PHBA league shall forward their application in writing to the PHBA Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> September each year.

The league shall be open to all clubs affiliated to the PHBA, subject to prior Committee approval.

#### **b. Player registration fees**

Registration fees (for playing members only) are to be paid by 31<sup>st</sup> May to the PHBA Treasurer.

If a club folds before it has paid its registration fees it is still bound to pay those fees for any of its players that have played matches. The named Secretary of the club is liable for paying those fees.

#### **c. Club withdrawal**

In the event of any club withdrawing from the league during the season all results concerning that club's team(s) with any other clubs' teams shall be deleted from the league tables.

### **4/ LEAGUE**

#### **a. Structure**

The league consists of three sections; Ladies, Mens and Mixed separated into divisions.

If being run, see Rule 5c. for Premier Division structure.

Each team shall play all the other teams in the same division twice, (one 'home' fixture and one 'away' fixture) between 1<sup>st</sup> October and 31<sup>st</sup> May. Within any division, all teams should have played opposing teams once by 31<sup>st</sup> January, with the return fixture being played before 31<sup>st</sup> May. The League Secretary can use discretion if clubs are unable to adhere to these dates due to fixture congestion with other local leagues' fixtures.

#### **b. Trophies**

Trophies are given to the divisional winners at either the AGM or at an end of season presentation and must be signed for by a representative of the club.

All trophies remain the property of PHBA. Trophies are to be kept in good condition.

Loss or damage will result in the offending club paying for replacement or repair.