



Constitution Structure

Location – Quesada, Rojales and surrounding districts

Leagues – Currently only one league is available:

Wednesday's, a minimum 5 players (max 10) per team playing 10 single frames.

Order of play

On Wednesdays for example, the captains can nominate any five available players (of their five to ten registered players) in the first set, then a further five available players from their (five to ten registered players) in the second set, with reserves nominated as set out in the "reserves rule".

Further players may be registered on match nights but must play in that match on the night to be eligible for registering up to the half-way point in the season.

Committee

The Officers of the League, (hereinafter referred to as the "**Main Committee**") shall consist of a:

**Chairperson,
Secretary/Treasurer,
League Administrator
League Secretary,
Tournament Secretary,**

They shall have full power to deal with all matters of administration. The Chairman shall have the casting vote in Committee meetings.

Main Committee

**Chairperson
Vice-Chairperson
Secretary/ Treasurer
League Administrator
League Secretary
Tournament Secretary
Website and Facebook**

**Stan West
Mick Margerum
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Costa Blanca Web Services**

**Olde Ninth Young Boys
Happy Days Too**



Constitution

The A.G.M –

The League Annual General Meeting shall be held on a date, nominated by the Committee, when the Officers of the League shall be re-elected. Reports shall be presented by the Chairman, League Secretary, Tournament Secretary, & Treasurer

A.

Any league team are within rights to propose a member from their team to be elected on to the committee. The committee may, from time to time wish to co-opt a person on to the committee and are free to do so if they wish. There will be a committee meeting approximately every eight weeks, and all teams are welcome to send a maximum of two representatives to the meeting to discuss rulings or disputes, this must be by prior notice only. The meetings will commence at 8:00 pm venue to be advised.

B. Rules –

The official World 8 Ball Rules will apply (excluding waived rules I, K9, K10, K11, K13, L2). Copies are available from the EPA website.

<http://www.epa.org.uk/index.php>

A copy of these rules will be displayed at each venue, where players can refer to them if necessary.

Rule M5 loss of game ruling:

To clarify we deem that under rule M5 (Loss of frame fouls) we do not consider retrieving the cue ball from a pocket (after dropping) a loss of frame foul and play will continue with a standard foul for potting the cue ball. The only exceptions to this are if in the process of retrieving the cue ball you come onto contact with any other ball on the playing surface or you prevent the white ball from dropping into the pocket. However, to prevent confusion please try to refrain from retrieving balls from the pockets and let the table do the work for you.



C. Registration –

Each Team will be required to pay a registration fee to register any team per season. All players are to be registered at the start of the season. Any additional players may be signed on at any time up till the halfway point of the season and provided they have not played for any other team within the Costa Blanca Pool League in the current season. As previously stated elsewhere new players must play on the night to be eligible to register. The players name and the team they are signing for must be put on the back of the score sheet. Players must only register for one team for any venue on any night, i.e. for the A or B team but not both.

.in the event of a shortage of players on the night, Landlords/ladies and or Bar Staff may be used by any of their own respective team, but only one team on the night.

D. Transfers –

Should any player wish to transfer from one team to another during the season they will be required to complete a written agreement and signed by both captains which will be forwarded to the League Secretary, allowing the transfer to be considered by the committee at the next meeting. This option is only available up until the halfway stage of the season. There will be a transfer request form available to download from the website.

In the event of one of the captains refusing to sign this transfer the committee will have deciding powers.

E. League Matches –

Captains will flip a coin and the winning team breaks in the first frame,
Wednesdays: 10 singles (min 5 max 10 players per team plus 2 reserves),

F. Result Sheets –

Result sheets are to be filled out, and matches are to commence by 8:0 pm prompt. Each captain will fill their own sheet in and then exchange with the opposing captain. It is the responsibility of both Captains to ensure that the sheets are forwarded to the League Secretary by Email to arrive no later than three days after the match.

The result sheets may also be left at **The Olde Ninth** for the attention of **Stan West**. As well as Emailing, no points will be awarded if result sheets are not received within 7 days. After the match has taken place. In the case of cup matches if no sheets are received both teams will be eliminated from the competition.



Result sheets must be written out before the match starts; matches can be played in 2 halves with the second set of players only needing to be written down at the end of a short break between halves. Reserves must be named on the sheet before the match commences. “Any team (captain) when filling in the names on the score sheet, knowing full well that he is going to be short of players on the night, must enter a bye in the last slots on the sheet and not positions 1,2,3,4 and so forth”. Thus, avoiding gamesmanship by choosing where his bye will be.

G. Competitions

Captains will flip a coin and the winning team breaks in the first frame, likewise and deciding frames.

Cup matches will consist of 10 single frames and, if ends in a draw, will go to an 11th deciding frame. Captains to nominate a designated player who has already taken part in that match to play the deciding frame.

Once you have played for a team you are then cup tied and cannot represent anyone else – This also applies to bar staff.

All competition matches will be played on the designated dates unless there is prior agreement from opposing teams and the current committee. Failure to submit a score sheet by the next round draw will result in both teams being eliminated from the competition.

H. Reserves –

A team can nominate 2 reserves and they may play at any time, one of which can sub in the first set and one in the second. No player may be permitted to play twice in any half of the match. Reserves must be nominated before match commences. Once substituted out, that player may not re-join the match.

I. Age Limit –

A team can use a maximum of 2 players under 18 per match, The host landlord must be informed before the match of any player under 18, it is left to his/her discretion as to whether or not these players are allowed into the venue or allowed to play. If there is a restriction, then the fixture can be played elsewhere at the discretion of the captains. The league shall have no jurisdiction in relation to any resulting disagreement between venues and shall not be brought up in front of the committee.



J. Cancellations –

If a team feels they must cancel a match because of extenuating circumstances, they must notify the opposing captain, and the League Secretary on **+34665657788**, not just the venue, and give at least 24hrs prior to the match commencing, failure to comply with this will result a 1-point deduction at the committee's discretion and the game being awarded to the team not cancelling. Where possible more notice is preferred. The cancelling team will be responsible for re-arranging the match as soon as possible, any team failing to fulfil a fixture before the end of the season, will forfeit the relevant match by 6 – 0. In the case of a team not turning up for a match, the match will be awarded to the team in attendance by 6 – 0.

Teams that feel they cannot fulfil all of their fixtures and decide to withdraw from the league; they must inform the league secretary/committee by Email as soon as possible in order to prevent opposing teams from turning up for a match unnecessarily.

If a team does withdraw from the league in the first half of the season **“ALL”** their results” will be null and void. If they withdraw in the second half of the season, the same will apply, the exception to the rule being, if all first half fixtures are fulfilled, those results will stand.

K. Late Arrivals –

In the event of a team being 15 minutes late for a match, 1 frame may be claimed by the team present and 1 frame for every 10 minutes thereafter.

L. Referees & Rules –

All referees are to make themselves conversant with the rules; this also applies to all players. It is the responsibility of the captains to ensure that this is the case.

M. Coaching –

No coaching will be permitted at any time during any singles matches, the referees have the power to stop the game and warn by-standers not to voice their opinions and if there is a second incident may award the game to the other player.



N. Tables –

In the unlikely event of a table being unplayable for any reason a re-match will be arranged as soon as possible and the Secretary Stan West, notified immediately. If a table is deemed to be unplayable once a match has commenced this must be rectified no later than the second frame, if not the match will be abandoned, and the Fixtures/Results Secretary notified immediately. Please note disabled access to be taken into consideration.

O. Table requirements, lighting and equipment

Venues are required to have:

- Adequate lighting over the table.
- **E.P.A.** approved sets of balls are to be used, preferably a clean match set other than the regular table set. This includes either the traditional reds and yellows, or the new EPA balls with spotted white and striped, black.
- A standard seven- or eight-foot table with the seven-foot table being the preferred size.
- The match table shall be level and have a reasonable quality playing surface.
- The table shall be clearly marked with the black spot diagonally in line with the centre and corner pockets.
- The table is to be maintained in a clean and well-presented manner.
- A rest and spider must be made available.
- Every effort should be made to ensure adequate playing space is available around the table.
- On home match nights, an area must be available adjacent to the table for team viewing purposes.

P. Change of Venue.

All teams must register their home venue with the league. In the event of a team wishing to change its home venue mid-season, the league must be given 7 days' notice via email so that opposing teams are given enough time to be notified. Failure to comply with this rule could result in the following home match being forfeited.



Q. Disputes –

If there is a dispute over the results, the table, venue or the playing of the game, the score sheets should be marked accordingly and **NOT** signed. The party that disputes the result shall advise the Secretary by Email on the dedicated complaint form that they wish to register a complaint. The committee will then invite a representative from each team to the next committee meeting, where the matter can be discussed, and the outcome decided. If you do not agree with the score on the sheets, do not sign them, as a signed score sheet forfeits any right to appeal against the result. If neither team sends in the score sheets both will forfeit the points.

There may also be a quick remedy in most cases by ringing the League Hotline number to discuss the problem. **Mick Margerum +34711001015**

R. Results –

If the score sheets are not received by the Secretary within 7 days of the match, both teams will lose their points and aggregate scores.

S. Playing an unregistered player –

If any team is found to have played an illegal player in a match **i.e.** not registered for that team, then the relevant point(s) will be deducted if found to be justified by the Committee.

T. Bans –

Should it be necessary to ban a player from the league the committee will decide the length of the ban. Players have the right to appeal in writing and have their case reviewed at a full closed committee meeting.

U. Holidays –

No league or competition games will be arranged to be played on bank holiday weekends or national holidays unless due to extenuating circumstances and prior permission from the secretary has been given.

V. Limit –

Any pubs or clubs can have as many teams' playing for them as their tables can sustain them (e.g. 1 table 2 teams) at the discretion of the Landlord/Lady, or Steward.



W. League Positions –

Will be decided on points won, frame difference, frames won, record between tied teams.

Y. Committee –

The committee will not accept any threat of legal action in any way, because of any decision made by the members of the committee.

The Costa Blanca Pool League is run as a social event and if because of the threat of legal action by any member or venue, the committee will convene an extraordinary meeting to decide on the future of the league

Z. Independent to everyone –

The Costa Blanca Pool League is run by people who do not get paid for their services. It is a condition that any teams wishing to play in the league do so only by invitation of the current committee.

This version of the constitution dated **10.07.2021** succeeds any previous version of the constitution. Any grammatic or Name, Date changes etc. thereafter will only be made by the League administrator, with the agreement of the current committee and subject to prior proposals from the AGM. All teams are eligible to vote at an open meeting, but only one vote will be allowed per team.