

EDENBRIDGE & EAST GRINSTEAD FRIENDLY BADMINTON LEAGUE

Mens/Ladies Knock-Out Cup Rules – 2017/2018 Season Team of 4 Players

1. Each match to consist of 6 rubbers.
2. Each rubber to be best of 3 games to 21 points with no setting.
3. Each rubber won equals 1 point.
In the event of a walkover, the innocent club will progress to the next round. However, this is to be avoided at all costs, as the principle is to complete all matches.
4. Each team to consist of 4 players.
Each pair will play against each opposing pair and the final 2 rubbers will be played by swapping pairings and each then playing one of the opposing swapped pairs.
In the event of a 3-3 draw, a decider will be played over 1 set between a nominated pair from both teams who have not played together.
The nomination of the pair to play the decider to be made before the start of the match.
The decider shall be **a single game to 21 points.**
5. The 6 rubbers to consist of

Rubber 1	Man/Lady 1 & Man/Lady 2 Home v Man/Lady 1 & Man/Lady 2 Away
Rubber 2	Man/Lady 3 & Man/Lady 4 Home v Man/Lady 3 & Man/Lady 4 Away
Rubber 3	Man/Lady 1 & Man/Lady 2 Home v Man/Lady 3 & Man/Lady 4 Away
Rubber 4	Man/Lady 3 & Man/Lady 4 Home v Man/Lady 1 & Man/Lady 2 Away
Rubber 5	Man/Lady 1 & Man/Lady 3 Home v Man/Lady 1 and Man/Lady 3 Away
Rubber 6	Man/Lady 2 & Man/Lady 4 Home v Man/Lady 2 & Man/Lady 4 Away
Rubber 7	Decider if needed - Nominated unused pairing
6. Up to **8** players to be nominated and the team to be selected from those **8** players only.
7. The 8 players nominated to be **of a similar standard to those playing regularly** in Edenbridge & East Grinstead Friendly Badminton League teams.
8. If insufficient nominated players are available on the day of the match:-
 - (a) the Committee must be advised prior to the match in order for the handicapping to be adjusted as necessary;
 - (b) if the Committee is not so advised, those games in which a non-nominated player participates will be forfeited by the offending club;
 - (c) the match may be postponed or re-arranged by mutual consent with the club requesting the re-arrangement incurring all additional costs.
9. Each captain to nominate their team in order of play at the start of the evening to avoid reshuffling once the opposition declare their side.
10. A player may play for 1 club only.
11. No replacement for injury during the match.
12. In the event of a match date being changed, 2 alternative dates to be offered.

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13. Rounds to be played by the following dates
 - (a) 1st round by end of November
 - (b) 2nd round (if required) by end of January
 - (c) Semi-final by end of March
 - (d) Final by a predetermined date in May set at the Fixture Meeting
14. The competition will be handicapped by the Committee after 30 September when teams are nominated, eg Team A -4, Team B +2.

Therefore, if Team A plays Team B, they will start at -4 and +2 respectively and not at -6 and 0. There will be no setting in the competition and the handicap will be for each game throughout the competition.
15. Home team to have choice of hall and shuttles.
16. The Final to be played at a neutral venue.
17. Clubs to share all costs including those incurred in the Final. In an effort to ensure all matches are played, clubs cancelling will be liable to reimburse the innocent club half of any unavoidable expenses incurred. In the event of a “no show” team with no proven prior notice, the offending club will be responsible for the reimbursement of 100% of any unavoidable costs incurred by the innocent club.
18. Results sheets to be fully completed, including full names of players, otherwise the offending team will forfeit their points.
19. **Home team** to upload result / send result sheet to the Match Secretary **as soon as possible following the match.**
20. Including “knocking-up” time, wherever possible next match shall be started within 5 minutes of completion of the previous match.
21. Subject to prior agreement between the captains of each team, any person appointed or requested to assist keeping the scores at any time during the match shall act solely in the capacity of scorekeeper and shall not act as umpire or adjudicator in any instance.