**Weekend League Rules**

# Competition Rules

## These are covered in the document “Thames Valley District Pétanque Association League & Competition Rules” which are common to all competitions except where indicated in the individual league and competition rules.

# Teams

## A team will consist of between a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12 players in any league match.

## Players **do not** have to be members of the English Pétanque Association (EPA).

# Start Time

## Matches will start at 10:30am on Sunday or on dates decided by the TVDPA Management Committee.

# Format

## In each league match teams will play four games with players divided into TRIPLES and three games with players divided into PAIRS. The games will be played in the following order:

| 1st round | Pair A v Pair A | Pair B v Pair B | Pair C v Pair C |
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| 2nd round | Triple D v Triple D | Triple E v Triple E |  |
| 3rd round | Triple F v Triple F | Triple G v Triple G |  |

## The total number of games per league match will be SEVEN.

## After the completion of the 1st round (pairs) only those three lanes used in round 1, may be used for the remainder of the match.

## In round three a player may transfer from one triple to another or can be replaced with another player.

# League Formats

## The league will be played either as a round robin or league dependent on the number of entries as follows:

* + 1. Six or less entries - one league, each team playing all other teams, home and away. The minimum number of entries will be Four (4). Trophies awarded to 1st & 2nd positions.
		2. Seven to eleven entries - a round robin, each team playing all other teams once, home or away decided by an initial draw. Trophies awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd positions.
		3. If 12 or more teams enter, then the competition will be run as a league of two or more divisions, with the top 6 teams of the previous year forming division 1 with the remainder forming the other division(s).

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