

DORSET COUNTY ASA

CONDITIONS FOR THE WATER POLO LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The Competition to be called the Water Polo League Championship of Dorset.
2. Only clubs affiliated to Dorset County ASA shall be eligible to compete.
3. The Team winning the League Championship shall receive 11 silver type medals, and the runners-up 11 bronze type medals struck from the die of the Association. Runners-up medals to be awarded if the league consists of four or more teams.
4. The entry fee shall be £5 per team to be paid at the time of entry which must reach the Hon Water Polo Secretary not later than May 1st. A meeting of representatives of each club entered will be called by the Hon Water Polo Secretary within 14 days of this date to arrange league fixtures for the season. Any subsequent alterations to be agreed with the Hon Water Polo Secretary.
5. All players must be registered on the Official Dorset County Registration Forms and no player shall be eligible to play in the Competition until the receipt of the Registration Form by the Hon Water Polo Secretary.
6. No player shall be transferred from one Club to another until permission has been granted by the Executive or Emergency Committee.
7. Home and Away matches shall be played between each of the Teams entered, two points being awarded for a win, and one point for a draw. In the event of two teams finishing the competition with equal points, the two team shall play off and the winner shall be the winner of the Championship.
8. The games shall be played in accordance with the ASA Rules of Water Polo.
9. Prior to all matches the Home Club shall append the names of players in each team on the official result card and immediately after the match shall complete the card by appending the result of the match. The information given shall be authenticated by the Referee who will then sign the card as correct.
10. Any club playing an ineligible member shall be deemed to have lost the match in which the member played.
11. A neutral referee for each match shall be appointed by the Executive or Hon Water Polo Secretary. Any referee unable to fulfil an appointment shall immediately notify the Hon Water Polo Secretary and recommend to him an available substitute from the officials list. The Second Class return fare of the referee to be paid the Home Team.
12. All protests with the fee of £10 shall be lodged within seven days of the match, with the Hon Water Polo Secretary of this Association, who shall immediately notify the Hon Secretary of the opposing Club, the fee shall be forfeited in the event of the protest being found frivolous.
13. All matches shall be completed by August 31 in each year and any club that has not completed its fixtures by that date shall be deemed to have forfeited the points in the match(es) not played, unless unforeseen circumstances prevent the fulfilment of the fixtures. In such a case the matter shall be referred to the Hon Water Polo Secretary who shall be empowered to order the match(es) to be played on a date or dates specified by him. Should a Club be unable subsequently to play on the date(s) specified such Clubs shall forfeit the point to their opponent.
14. Each member of a team must have resided in the County three months during the current year, or have a birth qualification, except in the case of member of HM Forces whose Unit is affiliated to this Association when a residential qualification of not less than 21 days will be sufficient.
15. No person shall vote at any meeting on any protest or objection that concerns his own Club.
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 - 16.1 A team not prepared to enter the water fifteen minutes after the agreed starting time shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £15. This applies only to the first match when more than one match is scheduled.

16.2 A team failing to give at least 48 hours' notice to its opponents of its inability to fulfil a fixture shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £5 at the discretion of the Executive. Such sum to be allocated by the Executive as it may subsequently decide, after any application by the opposing team. A new date for any such fixture shall be mutually agreed by the Hon Water Polo Secretary.

16.3 In (a) above the Referee appointed in accordance with Rule 11 shall report the offending Club to the Hon Water Polo Secretary. There shall be a right of appeal in which case notice of appeal together with the fee of £10 must be lodged with the Hon Water Polo Secretary within seven days of the fixtures.

17. The wearing of rubber caps or similar headgear beneath Water Polo caps is not permitted in the Dorset County Water Polo Competition.
18. The Executive Committee shall have power to decide upon any point not covered by the foregoing rules.

JUNIOR WATER POLO LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Conditions in addition to those which apply to the Water Polo League Championships of Dorset.

AGE LIMIT: The age limit of all players shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the ASA from time to time.

PERIOD OF PLAY: The period of play shall be four periods of five minutes "all in". Each competitor shall ensure that his or her list of dives is handed in at the venue, to the designated Recorder, not less than half an hour before the time at which the divers have been instructed to report