

Southern California Collegiate Badminton League (SCCBL) Bylaws

2003

I. Current Members

- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- California Institute of Technology
- Pasadena City College
- San Diego State University
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara

The above fore-mentioned institutions are current members of the SCCBL and will be referred to as the Members.

I.1 Application for Membership

Any higher education institution will be allowed to join the SCCBL only after the applying institution has shown organization and received acceptance votes from 2/3 of the Members.

II. Commitment to the League

Members, to their best efforts, take the responsibility to actively participate in all league related events. Moreover, each member will contribute to the organization and betterment of the league.

III. League Finances

An annual league membership due of \$50 will be paid by the end of the first month of each season. The league is a non-profit organization, with the understanding that none of its members will receive any financial awards for duties performed. All funds generated for the league will be used for only the following purposes:

- Trophies, medals, and prizes for winners at league tournaments
- League award ceremonies
- Perpetual League Trophies and associated engravings

III.1 League Treasury

A league treasury will be established through one of the above member institutional financial services. Members will vote for a responsible and trustworthy person to manage, record, and report all league funds. This person will have the title Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of SCCBL.

IV. Player Eligibility

Any person academically (student status) affiliated with the above member educational institutions will be allowed to participate all league related events. Examples of eligible players include the following:

- Undergraduate students
- Graduate students

Anyone receiving monetary compensation for their participation in the SCCBL in any capacity is not eligible to participate in league related events except in a coaching/spectator capacity.

Any participating members of SCCBL events must, upon request of an official officer of the member institution, provide verifiable proof of the eligibility and or identity of any given player within a one-week period of the request.

V. Game Format and Rules

Game format and rules will be consistent with current International Badminton Federation (IBF) format and rules. Deviation from IBF format and rules will be tolerated with the consent of all members involved.

Each participating institution, during an official league match, is to provide the home team with three tubes (consisting of 12 shuttles in one tube) of new feather shuttles for game play. It is up to the home team to distribute these in a matter consistent with the number of matches scheduled for the event.

Note: Three tubes of shuttles were chosen due to the assumption that each match will consume a minimum of two shuttles, requiring 120 shuttles. Each school providing two tubes of shuttles only amounts to 96 shuttles; whereas three tubes is 144 total.

Each participating team at all league games will provide to their opponents and the home team, a lineup of their intended players for each match prior to any match beginning. The exchange of the player lineup must take place at the same time. Once the lineup has changed hands, no more alterations of any sort regarding the lineup of players for any given school can be changed under any circumstances. Only the player whose full name appears on the exchanged lineup may play the designated match.

If the situation represents itself, an official officer of any participating member institution can ask any other SCCBL involved individual for verifiable proof of their identification at any time while participating in an official SCCBL event. If proof of identity cannot be established, the match can be forfeited at the discretion of the inquiring party.

The home team can institute reasonable rules of conduct and/or restrictions/regulations on a temporary basis while the use of their facility is being occupied. The league will hear violations of these rules and a decision will be made as to whether any repercussions are in order.

VI. Amendments to SCCBL Bylaws

Any amendment made to pre-established league bylaws will require 1) a formal proposal of desired amendment, 2) a thorough review and consideration from all Members, and 3) an agreement for the change from 2/3 of the Members.

Appendix A – Definitions

Academically affiliated – A person who, at the time of the SCCBL event or member request, holds the official status by definition of his or her member institution, as either an undergraduate or graduate student, not receiving monetary compensation for their participation in the SCCBL. The student in question must also be at least a “half-time student” as defined by his or her member institution.

Exempt are students receiving official postsecondary financial aide, grants, scholarships, and/or academic loans.

Associated member – Any person who has ties academically, occupationally, or dutifully to a given member institution. This can include coaches, players, spectators and official officers and representatives.

Home team – The member institution whose facilities are being used to host the SCCBL event.

IBF format and rules – The entire statutes of the International Badminton Federation including but not limited to the Laws of Badminton, Regulations for Competitions, Disciplinary Regulations, Players Code of Conduct, and Anti-Doping Statutes.

Official officer of member institution – A person who is identified by their school/university as an official contact person. Examples being president, VP, secretary, treasurer, or coach. This does not include ex-official officers and advisors in any capacity.

Reasonable – That which is deemed acceptable by a person of average intelligence in today’s American society.

Tube of shuttles – A new (unused and sealed) set of 12 (twelve) identical game quality feather shuttlecocks.

Appendix B – Rule Violations and Consequences

Any violation of the statements made in these bylaws and any referring materials constitutes a breach of SCCBL regulations and will be met with swift repercussions. It is the choice of the offended party/member to seek reasonable actions of compensation from the offending party/member. Compensatory actions and punishments must first be agreed upon as reasonable by at least ½ of the non-involved member institutions. Refusal to accept league decisions regarding rule violations will result in either game/league suspensions or expulsions.

If the offender's actions affect the entire league and its members, all members other than the offending member/institution shall agree upon a reasonable compensation or punishment to be carried out immediately upon the offending member/institution.

Individual team members of a participating institution, in most cases, cannot and will not be held liable for offenses of SCCBL rule violations, rather the member institution of which the individual is apart of shall have the burden of complying with any league decisions regarding rule violations. The only exception to this is the expulsion of an individual player or associated member for gross violations of local, state, and federal laws in addition to SCCBL laws.

Appendix C – Rules of Conduct in Addition to IBF Appendix 4

No team shall, for the purposes of increasing their chances of winning a match, place players of greater skill in a lower position on the lineup unless there is a qualified and agreeable reason (otherwise known as sandbagging or playing down your list).

Under no circumstance will any league/team prerogative take precedents over any person's health or wellbeing. Violations of this magnitude can and will result in league expulsion in addition to legal consequences.