

8 March 2021

Dear Squash Club Convenors

Resumption of National Squash League (NSL)

Upon the re-opening of Phase 3 on 28 December 2020, Singapore Squash Rackets Association (SSRA) conducted a survey to understand the possible constraints that each squash club may encounter under a league match setting. With the feedback garnered, SSRA is satisfied with the overall findings and we are pleased to inform you that NSL shall resume this year.

Safe Measure Management (SMM)

SSRA strongly advised for all squash clubs to operate under existing SMM guidelines provided by the authorities or the respective Club’s policy. While it may differ from venue to venue, SSRA seeks every visiting team’s cooperation to abide by the hosting team’s instruction and work towards an enjoyable season for 2021.

Change in playing schedule

Participation in NSL 2021 under SMM would not be possible for some clubs to host 2 visiting teams in the same evening. As such, only 1 grade would be operating per weekday evening over 2 seasons.

Schedule would be as follows:

Day	Season 1 (May – Aug)	Season 2 (Aug – Nov)
Mon	F	C
Tues	D	B
Wed	Veterans II	Premier
Thurs	E	Veterans I
Fri	Ladies Division I	Ladies Division II

Other minor changes to the playing format can be found in the NSL Rules & Regulations clause 22.

Important dates

Given the limited number of weeks remaining for 2021, the various submission windows are considerably narrower as compared to previous NSL editions.

Season 1 dates	Event
Now – 12 th March	Release of NSL registration forms + NSL 2021 grading exercise (Form G)
By 19 th March 2021	Grading Exercise results from SSRA
26 th March 2021	Form A submission deadline
By 2 nd April 2021	Release of NSL Fixtures
9 th April 2021	Form B and C submission deadline
By 16 th April 2021	Release of Team captain contacts
3 rd May 2021	NSL Begins

Season 2 submission timelines shall commence sometime in the month of June.

Administrative matters

1. Using **Form G**, Non Graded (NG) players **must** stipulate playing history to apply for a probationary grade prior to registration in NSL. This is to be done during the Grading exercise window.
2. The NSL team will no longer accept any appeals for the outcomes of the grading exercise. The committee's decision is final.
3. All registration entries to be in soft copies (Excel format ONLY). **DO NOT PDF the document.**
4. Any inaccurate/incomplete/incorrect-format forms will not be accepted and will be returned to the clubs.

With NSL 2021, it is SSRA's intention to rebuild the confidence and bring back normalcy to our squash playing community. This is only possible when everyone plays their part in ensuring personal hygiene is a top priority and SMM rules are respected at every playing venue.

Stay vigilant always and see you on court!

Best Regards,

Shaun See

Chairman, National Squash League (2020 - 2021)

On behalf of NSL committee 2020 - 2021

NSL Committee

Name	Role
Shaun See	Chairman
Jerryca Teo	Grade Coordinator
Edwin Lee	Grade Coordinator
Robert Arrffan	Grade Coordinator

Promotion and demotion of players

Promotion and demotion of players during the season will be actively administered by Grade Coordinators. Winning of 3 higher graded players will **no longer** result in automatic promotion. In such situations, the Grade Coordinator may make a recommendation to the NSL Committee for promotions and demotions of the players involved. Players will be informed in a timely manner of the effective date of promotion/demotion.

Enquiries and submissions

Please send it to league@sgsquash.com.