



Operation of Peg Board in Doubles Club Sessions

The peg board system is designed to enable all players to receive their fair share of play during a session. In making up sets members must show due consideration to all other players, general fairness and common sense in order for the system to run smoothly and without dispute or ill feeling.

1. On arrival, and only once you are ready to play, you should place your name peg at the back of the line of waiting players.
2. The first person in the line of waiting players makes up the next set from the next 7 pegs. Please give **reasonable** priority to visitors or very new members and those players who have been waiting longest. Visitors must not be left at the front of the line. If more than four players at the front of the line have been waiting approximately the same amount of time, preference should be shown to those longer-waiting players who have had the fewest number of sets in the session so far. It is perfectly OK to pick 3 men and a woman, or vice versa, and to play 2 women v 2 men.
3. Any player refusing to play when it's their turn to pick, or by invitation from another, must have their peg moved to the back of the line. Likewise, delaying picking a set in order to wait for a specific court to become available is not permitted. If you decide to take a temporary break from playing for any reason (including having tea) you must remove your peg for this period; when ready to play again it must be placed at the back of the line, not in its previous position.
4. Once a set has been chosen and names placed in the slot for a particular court, then you must play on that court. Swapping to another court that becomes available is not permitted.
5. If all courts are in use and you are at the front of the line, please pick your next set before the next court becomes available if there are sufficient players waiting. Place your chosen four in the 'Sets made up' section until a court is vacant, and advise the players you have picked. If however there are only four of you waiting and you have all just had a set together, wait until you have at least one other player to mix in, whether from a set just completed or a new arrival.
6. Changing the order of the pegs in line is not allowed. Players who are not picking should refrain from interfering with another member's pick unless specifically asked for help.
7. On completion of a set (first to 6 games) the pegs must be returned to the back of the line with the winners placed before the losers.
8. On completion of a set, if there are no other players waiting, the same 4 players may choose to go back on court, but first must take their pegs down from the court slot and put them in the waiting line. If a member arrives who has not yet played, or another court finishes, the players must offer to abandon the set in favour of mixing in.
9. During doubles club sessions, singles can only be played if there are not sufficient players to make up a doubles set. If a singles is in progress and enough players arrive to make up a doubles, those playing singles must stop immediately and play doubles instead.
10. On leaving the Club, place your peg in the appropriate membership section.
11. Refer any query or dispute over the operation of the pegboard to a committee member.

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