

Midlothian Province League – all divisions

Player eligibility

The entire league is one competition, so players may not play for more than one team in one season, even if the teams are in different divisions. The penalty for playing for a second (or subsequent) team is forfeiture of the second (or subsequent) team's game.

Playing at scheduled time

All games should be played at their scheduled times, even if this requires playing with three players. As a last resort, a game may be rearranged, provided it takes place before the final round of fixtures. Any game not played by the deadline date will be forfeited by the team which requested the rearrangement. The Province Secretary must be informed of the rearranged date at the earliest opportunity.

Late and missing players

All games must start on time. If a team is one player short at the start of the game, the game may start but the opposing team will be awarded one shot for every five minutes, up to a maximum of three shots after 15 minutes. If the late player turns up within 30 minutes of the starting time, he/she may join the game and the offending team will incur no further penalty.

If the offending team is still one player short after 30 minutes the game shall continue with three players. In this situation the offending team will have one point deducted if they win or draw, having taken the three shots into account. The non-offending team will incur no penalty.

If any team is two players short, the game may not start. If after 30 minutes the offending team is still two players short, the game will be conceded and the offending team will be held responsible for the ice charges of themselves and their opponents. The non-offending team will be awarded four points, five ends and five shots.

Conceded games

All games should be played to the session bell. If a team concedes before the end of the game, the remaining ends that could have been played within the remaining session time, as agreed by both skips, may be credited to the other team but only when the scorecard clearly indicates this. No additional shots may be claimed.

Points awarded

Four points are awarded for a win and two points to each team for a draw, unless the above "still one player short after 30 minutes" rule is applied.

Divisional positions

On completion of the divisions, points will determine positions, then ends won, then shots up and then shots scored.