

Greater London Darts Organisation Handbook & Rules 2016-2017 (Ladies Super League Section Only)

SUPER LEAGUE SECTION - LADIES

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Playing Venues & Sponsorship for Season 2016/2017

The Guy, Earl of Warwick £350.00

Plumstead Common W.M.C. £350.00

Tollgate Tavern £350.00

G.L.D.O. Social Network/Media Disclaimer

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Policy on Discrimination and Intimidation

27.3 The GLDO operate strict policies on discrimination and intimidation, whether at any GLDO event or on social media. The policies cover the following:

1. Physical harm to any person.
2. Damage to any person's property.
3. Reasonably causes another person to be fearful of physical or emotional harm.
4. Derogatory remarks against a person e.g. race, nationality, gender or disability.
5. Homophobic remarks.

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- 27.4 The G.L.D.O. will take a strong stance on any of the above, deleting content which is discriminatory, hateful or threatening and any writings or actions which may offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate. The authors of such writings may be deemed to have brought the good name of the G.L.D.O. into disrepute and may therefore, at the discretion of the G.L.D.O. Executive face disciplinary proceedings as laid down in Sections 11.1 – 14.1 of the G.L.D.O. County Constitution and Rules.
- 27.5 However, in cases where writings considered to have offensive content that can be immediately proven as directly attributed to an individual then there shall be a procedure of automatic periods of suspension applied to that individual as directed by the G.L.D.O. Executive and laid down as follows: (All effective from the date that any posting is submitted)
1. First proven instance: Written warning.
 2. Second proven instance: Three months suspension of G.L.D.O. Membership.
 3. Third proven instance: Twelve months suspension of G.L.D.O. Membership.
 4. Fourth proven instance: Expulsion from G.L.D.O. Membership.
- 27.6 Incidents of discrimination and intimidation should not be discussed on social media. A signed and dated letter or an e-mail from the person/persons concerned should be sent to the **General Secretary** with as much information as possible, including witness statements if applicable. This will enable the matter to be dealt with at the earliest opportunity in accordance with the G.L.D.O. Handbook & Rules (County & Super Leagues).

Conditions

- 27.7 It is important to note that the aforesaid conditions of disclaimer and terms of use are likely to change without notice.

Disciplinary/Appeal Committee

- 28.1 All teams must enter on their Team Registration Form the person who has been elected to represent their team on a Disciplinary or Appeal Committee. **No persons who are or will in the coming season become affiliated to, an Official of or a Player for another County shall be eligible to be part of a Disciplinary or Appeal Committee.**

Registration of Players

- 29.1 All Players must be registered by completing a Players Registration Form and this must be sent to the League Organiser **by the Monday following the match** in which said Player first took part. **Failure to do so will result in two points being deducted for each Player that is not registered. This penalty also applies to subsequent signing throughout the season.**

BDO Registration Fees

- 29.2 On registering for a team, each Player will pay **£5.00** to their Team Manager. £1.00 for the BDO and the remaining £4.00 will be paid into the London County account. This applies to subsequent signings throughout the season and **outside County Players up to 31st December in any playing season. Registration Fees should be sent to the GLDO Treasurer only and paid within one week of registering.**
- 29.3 **The GLDO General Secretary** will then be responsible for entering each London Super League Team and players (Men & Ladies) on to the BDO Super League Database (including dates of birth and if they are a registered County player for another Member County), **no later than 1st January 2017**. Subsequent registration fees **should be sent to the GLDO Treasurer only and paid within one week of registering** to be paid into the London County account and to the BDO and the players' names added to the BDO database. **The Super League Database rules are requirements of the BDO.**

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Outside County Players

29.4 Teams will be allowed to sign **three players** who are registered to play for an outside County. An outside County player is defined as someone who last played for a Member County other than London and **would require their release, irrespective of how many years ago that player last played for that Member County (BDO Rule)**. However, **only two outside County players may play on the night**. All Players registered to play for an outside County, **must be registered with the League by 31st December of each year**. Any outside County Players not registered by this time will be **ineligible to play and if they do, this will result in two points being deducted from said players' team**.

Format

29.5 The format for the 2016/2017 season is as follows:

1. One draw to decide the Pairings and the order for the Singles. The second Pairs will be the opposite of the Pairs in the first draw.
2. Pairs 601 x 3; Singles 501 x 5
3. Points – 1 point for each Pair won – maximum 4 points; 1 point for each Single won – maximum 4 points.
4. Reserves – players can be swapped. However, the change has to be stipulated **BEFORE** the draw is done. This Rule may be waived in extenuating circumstances but **MUST** be with the approval of the opposing Team Captain.
5. Chalking – Home side to chalk all 4 Pairs; Away side to chalk all 4 Singles.

Results

29.6 Home side to record scores and match results and forward to the League Organiser. The League Organiser to oversee the results of all matches and update the Match Results, League Table and Super League Averages on a **weekly basis and forward these statistics to the Ladies Super League Teams and the GLDO General Secretary**.

29.7 Result Sheets: If a Team has not submitted their result sheets by 9.00am on the Tuesday after the match on a Thursday, 5 points shall be deducted.

Start Times

29.8 Players **must** be in the venue **for a prompt 8.30pm start**.

Football Card

29.9 A compulsory 40 team Football Card at £1.00 per go will be used on each of the 25 weeks of the playing season; £20.00 to the Winner and £20.00 to the Ladies League. The additional £500.00 will go into the Ladies League Prize Fund.

Cancellations

30.1 There will be **NO** cancellations (barring exceptional weather, bereavement or hospitalisation). Any team failing to complete any of the 25 rounds **will be fined £10.00** and this will result in the match being awarded 8-0 to the non-offending team and the relevant players present awarded a win bonus point on their averages.

30.2 A match can be completed with a **MINIMUM OF 3 PLAYERS**. The team fielding 3 players will concede 1 Single for each round.

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- 30.3 It has been agreed to have a free week after completion of each set of fixtures. Games can be played on this week. However, they **MUST** only be games from future dates. It is only possible to bring games **FORWARD**, not postpone them past the date they were due to be played. Failure to comply will result in Rule 30.1 being applied.

League Fees

- 31.1 League fees: 25 weeks @ £4.00 per week = £100.00 total per Team. £24.00 to be paid at the end of each round. £20.00 Presentation Night fee to be paid with the last payment.
- 31.2 **Team Managers** will be responsible for paying their Teams League fees **directly to the GLDO Treasurer in accordance with the above dates**. Payments can be made at County matches but must be **in accordance with the above dates**.
- 31.3 If a team is in arrears with their League Fees they will be fined £5.00 for each payment missed.

Presentation Night 2016/2017

- 32.1 Each team will pay £20.00 which will be **payable with the 30th September payment of £24.00**.
- 32.2 £5.00 for guests (non-playing/registered players of a Super League Team).

All cheques should be made payable to “G.L.D.O” and sent to the Treasurer

Prize Money

- 33.1 All Prize Money will be paid out at the end of the season and will be made payable to the **Team Manager only**, unless the Treasurer receives an instruction in writing or via e-mail to make the cheque payable to an individual player, or the Treasurer is instructed in writing or via e-mail to make the cheque payable to another member of the Team.
- 33.2 **The League Organiser** shall be responsible for allocating all Prize Money for the season (based on the full amount being paid at the end of the season) and to provide the Teams and the GLDO Treasurer with a breakdown of all pay-outs.
- 33.3 **No Prize Money will be carried over to the next season.**
- 33.4 **Any debt incurred by a Team will be deducted from their Prize Money total.**

Financial Rules (Internal County Play-Offs & County Competitions)

- 34.1 Entry fees and travel expenses to be made up out of respective Men's and Ladies Super League funds and will also include play-off entry fees taken on the day of the respective County Play-Off.
- 34.2 League Organisers to ensure that all Super League Team Managers are informed what players are eligible to play in these competitions.
- 34.3 33% of the Ladies Super League fees to go into the County account and to proportion the Ladies Super League registration fee of £5.00 per player as follows:
- £1.00 to the B.D.O;
 - £2.00 to the Ladies Super League prize fund.
 - £2.00 to the County account.

League Competitions & Competition Playing Formats

- 35.1 Competition Formats 5 x 501 all the way to the semi-final stage, with the final being 7 x 501.
- 35.2 **There must be a minimum of 50% representation from each Team at every Super League competition.**

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- 35.3 Team Managers of a Team failing to support the 50% representation **will be solely responsible for paying the minimum entry fee of £10.00 to the GLDO Treasurer per competition not supported.**
- 35.4 Outside County Players **are eligible** to play in any Ladies Super League Competitions **as long as they have played at least 75% of Super League games up to the date of the competition being held.**

League Singles

- 36.1 To enter, a Player **must have attended a minimum of 50% of all matches up to the date of the competition.** Entries will be £5.00 per Player, and the competition will be played on a drawn knockout basis played over the best of five legs 501, the best of 7 legs 501 for the semi-finals and the best of 9 legs 501 for the final.

League Pairs

- 37.1 To enter, a Player **must have attended a minimum of 50% of all matches up to the date of the competition.** Entries will be £10.00 per Pair, and the competition will be played on a drawn knockout basis played over the best of five legs 601, the best of 7 legs 601 for the semi-finals and the best of 9 legs 601 for the final.

Champion of Champions

- 38.1 Entries for this event are done on an invitational basis only. The **top sixteen** Players in the League averages at the end of the season will be invited plus two reserves designated in case of player unavailability. Entry fee is £5.00 per player and the competition will be played on a **16 player seeded knockout basis** played over the best of five legs 501, the best of seven legs 501 for the semi-finals and the best of 9 legs 501 for the final.

G.L.D.O. Mixed Pairs

- 39.1 The competition will be played at a multi board venue which has a team entered in the London Super Leagues.
To enter the above competition players and reserves in both the Men's and Ladies Super Leagues must have played or attended at least 50% of all matches played up to the week before the competition. **Only outside County players in Ladies Super League are eligible to play, as long as they meet the eligibility rule of having played or attended at least 75% of all matches played up to the week before the competition.**
Entry Fee is £10.00 per Pair.
Format is 5 x 601 for the early rounds and 7 x 601 for the Semi-Finals and Final.
Prize Fund: This is a 'money in – money out' competition plus a donation of £50.00 from the host venue.
Payout: Winners, Runners-Up and Semi-Finalists.

Competition Throw

- 40.1 The Players involved will throw for the Bull to decide which Player is to throw first in the odd numbered legs of any competition match. In the event of a tie, the player who threw first in the 1st leg shall throw first in the deciding leg.

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Competition Chalking

41.1 First round chalkers will be taken from byes **or** the bottom of the draw for the competition. From that point on the last loser on each individual board will chalk the following match. This will be enforced throughout the competition and will be inclusive of the final of said competition. **Failure to chalk will result in the withholding of prize money and exclusion from the next Super League competition.** This will also be carried over to the following season if necessary.

Men's Super League (rule amendment at Men's Super League AGM 28th July 2014)

42.1 No Lady dart's player may play in the London Men's Super League.

Plaques

Trophies to be replaced with plaques to be presented on Presentation Night to the following Winners & Runners-Up:

League Winners:	5 plaques + 1 perpetual trophy
League Runners-Up:	5 plaques
League Singles Winner:	1 plaque + 1 perpetual trophy
League Singles Runner-Up:	1 plaque
Sheila Sontag Memorial Pairs Winners:	2 plaques + 1 perpetual trophy
Sheila Sontag Memorial Pairs Runners-Up:	2 plaques
Champion of Champions Winner:	1 plaque + 1 perpetual trophy
Champion of Champions Runner-Up:	1 plaque
Ladies Player of The Season:	1 plaque (Player who tops the averages table)

Extra Plaques

Extra plaques will be available but it is the responsibility of the Team Manager to notify the League Organiser of any additional plaques required and the Team will have to pay for any additional costs incurred.

Perpetual Trophies

Perpetual trophies will be presented at a Presentation Night **but remain the property of the GLDO and must be returned after the presentation.**

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BY THE GREATER LONDON DARTS ORGANISATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**