



The St. George and Sutherland Shire TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Dear members,

A new rule regarding substitution affecting Division 5 will be introduced to the competition from this season.

The Committee will set a substitution rating ceiling at the beginning of each Pennants season.

Any player used for an eligible substitution from a Division 5 team for another Division 5 team must have a rating below the substitution rating ceiling. If not, the substitution may not be deemed eligible and the match may be awarded to the opposing team accordingly.

The substitution rating ceiling for this season is: **930**.

Please see amended clause below.



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1.1 Use of Substitute Players

If a team is unable to field a full team on a round of the Pennant, a substitute player who is not registered in the team may be called upon to play:

- A reserve player from the '**Reserve Players List**' from the same division as the fielding team has first priority for substitution. Lists of reserve players will be published on the SSTT Pennant website for each respective division.
- If this is not possible, a substitute player can be called from a registered team in the competition from a lower grade. **For substitution in the lowest grade of the competition, please see 4.8.1 below.**
- If a team wishes to use a substitute player who is not on the reserve list or from a grade below, the team captain needs to seek approval for this player from the Committee prior to arriving to play that round of the Pennant.
 - *To request a player to be approved as a substitute, the team captain needs to email the players name and Ratings Central ID to the Committee (pennants@sstt.org.au)*
 - *A substitute must have a Rating Central - rating which falls between SSTT guidelines for the grade he is substituting.*
- If either an unapproved player or a player from the same or higher grade is fielded, no team points will be awarded for the matches won by the unapproved player. The team captains should ensure the games are either **NOT Recorded or Crossed Out** on the score sheet, where the substitute player was not an eligible / approved substitute. Match results will not be submitted to Rating Central.
- It is the responsibility of the team to arrange a reserve player if a substitute player is required. If all attempts to arrange a reserve fail, the Committee should be notified at the earliest opportunity.
- Players who are not registered to the team, are not eligible to play the final series.

4.8.1 Lowest Grade

- A substitute player cannot be a member of another team from the same grade, except in the lowest grade in the competition. In the lowest grade, a player may be borrowed from another team in that grade, however, this player's Ratings Central rating must be lower (at time of play) than the eligible Substitution Rating prescribed by the Committee for the Pennant season.
- All else from 4.8 applies otherwise.

New players of a suitable standard can be registered to a team (up to the max 6 total for the team), after the Pennant has started, however these players need to be registered and approved prior to the night of the round that they are to first play. The request to register a new player must be made by email to the Pennant Coordinator.