



<b>Pétanque Australia Ltd</b>  Affiliated With the F.I.P.J.P	Form No:	<b>6.1.1.5</b>	<b>Tournament Director Policy</b>			
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## Tournament Director Policy

### Behavioural Standards

#### a. General Behaviour

- 1** During the course of a competition or tournament in which he/she is officiating, the Tournament Director must be introduced to all players and other officials.
- 2** The Tournament Director shall be present ½ hr before the start of registration and have all the material/forms necessary to run the event
- 3** The Tournament Director shall request the licences of all participants, and return the licences to the players at the end of the tournament after checking with the Umpire of the day.
- 4** All instructions and communications to players by a Tournament Director must be in English.
- 5** A Tournament Director must avoid socialising with a player or team during the course of a game or competition.
- 6** A Tournament Director must not talk or comment about a player or team to another player or team (opponent), nor advise a team or player as to the tactics or previous indiscretions of another player or team.
- 7** A Tournament Director must not coach or advise a player or team during a game
- 8** A Tournament Director must not get involved in arguments with players during a tournament under his/her control.
- 9** A Tournament Director must ensure that no incident be permitted to develop, that may bring question on the integrity of the Tournament Director thus leaving him/her without excuse or defence in the event of official complaint.
- 10** A Tournament Director must not profit from the outcome of any game or tournament from any source, inclusive of bets, wagers etc. nor receive any payments other than those approved by the organisers as payment for services rendered.
- 11** A Tournament Director must show no bias, preference or favour to any team or player, nor show any discrimination or malice to any team or player for any reason.

- 12 A Tournament Director must act without hesitation. In difficult situations, the Tournament Director can call on the jury, which shall comprise the Umpire of the day and at least 3 people and at the most 5 people.
- 13 A Tournament Director must never criticise publicly nor overrule any decision made by another Tournament Official.
- 14 A Tournament Director must not umpire or engage in measuring activity.
- 15 A Tournament Director, if in any doubt as to a rule, should never be too proud to refer to a copy of the official Petanque Australia (F.I.P.J.P. rules) and local rules.

## **b. Power of the Tournament Director and Tournament Jury**

The Organising Committee (PA executive, State League, Club or an Event Organiser) has full control of the event through the Tournament Director:

- a The Tournament Director at all time must apply and follow all PA rules, regulations.
- b The Tournament Director will inform the Umpire, of the competition format and special rules and regulations, ie. qualification game to 11 pts etc.
- c The Tournament Director will check with the Umpire of the day that the instructions/flyer of the Organising Committee comply with all PA rules, regulations and policies.
- d The Tournament Director will assist the Umpire by asking players to present their licences, while registering.
- e The Tournament Director once all administrative formalities have been completed (registration, draw and all announcements made) will hand over the tournament to the Umpire.

## **B1 A Tournament Director shall use all Petanque Australia policies, rules and guidelines if necessary including:**

- 1 Petanque Australia Policies, Procedures and Guidelines
- 2 Petanque Australia (FIPJP Rules of the Game of Pétanque)
- 3 Petanque Australia local rules
- 4 Pétanque Australia Codes of Behaviour

**The Tournament Director and the Organising Committee will take all appropriate action in consultation with the Umpire to ensure that their event is properly run.**

The Tournament Director can call the jury (Composed of 3 members minimum & 5 maximum (art 40 Rules of the Game), the Jury shall include the Tournament Director (Chair) and the Umpire of the day, the Jury can take the following disciplinary decisions,

- 1 Issue a warning
- 2 Temporary exclusion from the competition
- 3 Withdrawal of a license
- 4 Player not allowed to play for 30 days maximum in any events, with immediate effect as long as the President of the State League Hearing Tribunal is advised within the next 3 days and accepts the sanction within 5 days following the incident.
- 5 In extreme case of bad behaviours or disciplinary matters dismiss the Umpire of the day and appoint a new Umpire, to ensure the proper continuation of the event.

**B2 Playing Tournament Directors**

- 1 Tournament Directors are permitted to participate both as players and as Tournament Directors in tournaments controlled by the State Leagues except in the case of State Championships
- 2 In such cases, the following rules of conduct shall be applicable:
  - a A Tournament Director may not assume the role of Tournament Director in a game in which he/she is competing, but may be called on to adjudicate in another game in which he/she is not involved.
  - b A Tournament Director, whilst engaged in a game, must never use his/her status of Tournament Director in such a way as to unsettle or otherwise intimidate an opponent.
  - d In the case of a disagreement over the state of play in a game in which he/she is participating as a player, a Tournament Director must not dictate the state of play by using such phrases as **“I know the rules ... I am the Tournament director!”** nor by using his/her status of qualified Tournament Director to bully an opponent into complying with a decision

### **c. General Comments**

1 A Tournament Director is the representative of Pétanque Australia and must implement its rules and by-laws to the letter.

2 A Tournament Director must ensure that the official Petanque Australia (F.I.P.J.P. rules,) and local rules are observed at all times.

3 A Tournament Director must be thoroughly conversant with all Petanque Australia (F.I.P.J.P. rules), local rules and competition format, be sufficiently authoritative and diplomatic to carry out the role of Tournament Director efficiently and effectively.

4 A Tournament Director must be conscious of the importance of his/her duties. The authority, surety and correctness of his/her decisions will give confidence to the players and will avoid problems.

At the end of the competition, a Tournament Director should discuss decisions with others Tournament Directors/Committee Members, as it will ensure consistency in future similar situations.

5 A Tournament Director shall lodge all appropriate reports to its League Secretary, including (Results and disciplinary related matters) as per the "Disciplinary policy".

NB – The Tournament Director must never forget that the interest of the game is dependent on the clarity and authority of his/her decisions.