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## **1. Introduction**

The International Series of Padel is a competition aimed at promoting amateur padel. It has a team format and is composed of a male and a female category. In both categories there will be different groups or levels, which will be made up of divisions.

Anything that is not included in this regulation or that gives way to different interpretations will be decided by the organization of the International Series of Padel.

## **2. Competition phases**

In each edition all teams will play their **Regional Series**, composed of different phases:

- **Regional Regular Phase:** They will meet in two rounds (1st and 2nd round) with different teams corresponding to their Regional division. This region can be defined according to the different provinces, distances between clubs or according to what the organization determine in order to ease the movement of players and the least possible loss of time.

Once the Regular Phase is completed, the first and the second team in each division will qualify for the National Playoff.

The rotating trophy of a region absolute champion will be awarded to the Grand Slam League final champion of that region. This trophy will then be defended by the winning team of the following edition and will be awarded to them when and only they win the competition 3 times in a row or 5 alternate times.

- **National Playoff:** To determine which teams will qualify for the SNP International Master, the organization will organize the National Playoff where the winners of each division of the Regional League Phase will play against each other. The winning team will be the one that takes the place in the SNP International Master.
- **SNP International Master:** The SNP International Master will be played by the best teams of the levels Grand Slam, 1,000, 500 and Future, along with the best teams from other countries. These teams are the winners of the National Playoff. Participation in the SNP International Master is not mandatory for classified teams. In the event that the team classified as champion does not want to play, their position will be given to the team classified as a sub-champion of the National Playoff from which they belong or by default the organization will draw this position by the different teams that have been sub-champions of the National Master, in the same group or level played. And if none of the teams mentioned can participate, it would be drawn among all the teams that competed in the National Playoff of the same group or level or by default, between the sub-champions of the playoffs where the same group or level has been played. During the National Playoff, teams will have to confirm their participation in the SNP International Master.



In the National Playoff and the SNP International Master several gifts will be drawn among the participants of the competition.

All communication during the course of this competition will be made through email ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)), or on the website [www.snpadel.se](http://www.snpadel.se). The website will instantly update the results after the organization has been informed, and will also have all necessary information related to the competition. Throughout the competition, several prizes will be drawn on the site for all participants.

### **3. Registration**

**All registered teams must have a minimum of 6 players and will compete in the two regional phases of the competition:**

- **Regional League Play:** From October to February
- **National Master:** March

**The registration fee is 2995 SEK/team.**

The team that has completed the registration form on the website ([www.snpadel.se](http://www.snpadel.se)) or pre-registered through the system (private area of the website) and who has made the registration payment within the established deadlines, will be considered registered.

The fee includes:

#### **1. Regional League Play**

- Organization and development of the International Series de Padel competition according to its format, regulation, website update and calendars.
- A minimum of 8 matches for each team entered during the Regular League Phase(half of them at home and the other half away), except for some teams that, exceptionally, belong to the first or last division and being in groups of 4 so they can play at least 6 matches.
- Private area of website that will make the competition much more dynamic, easy, fun and functional for all participants.
- Various draws with nice prizes
- Possible classification for the National Playoff and SNP International Master.





## **2. National Playoff:**

The National Master is played by the first and second teams of each division on the four different levels of the Regular League Phase. The winners of the National Playoff will be the teams playing in the SNP International Master.

- Event Organization.
- Referees.
- One match per team guaranteed.
- Balls.
- Trophies for the champion and sub-champion teams of each category.
- A great draw and surprises
- Possible classification for the SNP International Master.

## **3. International Master:**

The registration fee for the **SNP International Master** will be **15€** (VAT included) per player and will include:

- Organization.
- Minimum two match rounds guaranteed.
- Welcome pack.
- Great prizes for the champion and sub champion team members of the SNP International Master in all category.
- Trophies for the champion and sub champion teams of each category and level.
- Courts and balls.
- Referees.
- Big draw for participating players.
- Activity with profesional players.

The organization will communicate throughout the season the procedure and deadline to formalize the registration and payment of the SNP International Master. All those teams that do not pay their registration within the established period will be replaced by the following team classified from the corresponding phase.

Each team must have a minimum of twelve players and a maximum of twenty players at the SNP International Master. To be able to play in the SNP International Master it is necessary that all players have played at least 1 match during the Regular League Phase. In



addition, to compete in this Master all teams will be able to recruit a maximum of three new incorporations taking into account the following requirements:

- They can never have more than three new incorporations.
- In case of a new incorporation, the maximum number of players in a team is 13 players.
- New incorporations should always be players who have not played for any SNP team in the current edition, and who are within the limits allowed by the SNP regulation.
- Only affiliated teams of a club will be allowed to have a player to play in another team of the same club, whenever it comes from a team that has finished the Regular League Phase in a lower division, and has played at least one match in the affiliated team, if he/she has not played it will be considered as a new incorporation.
- To all new additions in the SNP International Master, the system will assign the equivalent ranking points of the fifth player of the team to which it belongs, always having as reference the players enrolled in the SNP International Master.

#### **4. Rights and obligations of Clubs or Host Clubs**

The clubs will be the home of both official and independent teams. Official teams shall be considered the ones who have in their name, the name of the club they play for and, in this way, the Club is responsible for their actions in this competition. Independent teams are considered those that are not official and do not have a club or homecourt to play their matches, in this case the responsibility for their actions is allocated to team captains. The position and ranking obtained by club teams in each edition will belong to that same club, while the position and ranking obtained in each edition by the independent teams will belong to the team itself.

To be considered a SNP Club or Host Club and to be able to participate in the competition as such, they must have the approval and consent of the organization. A Host Club will be official from the moment it appears on the SNP web, (<http://www.snpadel.se>). The vacancies for a Host Club establishment will be limited according to each region or place and in each edition, it will be possible to expand or reduce them according to what the organization establishes. There may always be unofficial venues (all those that do not appear on the site in the club area of each region), these venues will be limited to your participation in the Regular League Phase of the competition, without the possibility of participating in any other phase of the competition and also your positions will not be guaranteed at the beginning of each edition and these may be withdrawn or replaced according to whatever the organization deems appropriate.

The sports and social clubs wishing to participate in the competition are not considered to be host clubs, since there is access reserved exclusively for their members and they can



never have teams that are not composed of members of the same club or that the club approves. That is why they will be considered SNP clubs but, in any case, will they be host clubs, being able to participate in the competition without inconvenience but can never bind independent teams to them. The organization may at any time request verification or check the condition of sports and social club, that is, to comply with the following definition:

**"a sports or social club is a private entity with its own legal entity and ability to work for the purposes that constitute its non-profit-making social purpose."**

#### ***Club or Host Clubs Rights***

- Participate in a competition that will be fully organized and sustained through the website that will allow them to be informed of everything that happens throughout the competition.
- Receive from each team the corresponding amount for 3 courts (90 minutes/court).
- Receive at least four matches in the Club or Host Club for each team registered, except teams that exceptionally play in groups of four will not dispute the challenges, so they can receive a minimum of 3 visits.
- All clubs will be advertised on the site, always and when the club send in the necessary documentation (two photos of the facilities, logo and link).

#### ***Obligations of Clubs and Host Clubs:***

- The home team will provide in each match round three new tubes with balls. The balls have to be SNP's official ball **LÖK Fresh Balls** that will be provided by the club, for a price of 70 SEK/tube.
- Ensure court availability for the day and time of the matches. Matches will have to take place at most in two consecutive shifts (see types of game shifts, epigraph 14. *Organization of regular phase matches*).
- Check and ensure each registration payment for the Regular League Phase of your official teams within the deadlines set by the organization.
- You will be responsible for your official teams and players, as well as to answer for any regulations non-compliance made by them.
- Do not use, under any circumstances, the image or product of the SNP for the benefit of the club or host club, which is a reason for a direct expulsion from the competition as a place of inappropriate use or if the organization thinks it may in any way damage the image or product of the SNP.



- All clubs and host clubs will display the publicity the organization sees timely during the development of regular and playoff matches. All publicity will be provided by the SNP organization.
- The organization may at any time consider the appropriate moment for a club to send the invoice or invoices for any match that has been held on its premises, and all host clubs will be obliged to provide them with such invoices, through a communication from the organization. Both the request for such invoices by the organization and the sending by the clubs will always be made via e-mail, reserving the right to the organization to request them in physical format, whenever it seems appropriate.

#### **5. Rights and obligations of independent teams**

All those that do not officially belong to a club will be considered independent teams, and will never have the club's name on their behalf and the club will simply be the homecourt of this team, handing over their courts to the matches in which the team plays at home (see right and obligations of clubs and Host Clubs).

The position and ranking obtained of a club team in each edition belong to that club while the position and ranking obtained in each edition by the independent teams belongs to the team. All club teams that want to change their condition to independents should ask the club to which they belong and send an email to the organization ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) indicating that it allows that team to become independent and to transfer the classification and position that were initially owned by the club.

#### ***Rights of independent teams:***

- Have the competition fully organized and sustained at your disposal on the website of the SNP which will allow you to be informed at all times of the developments.
- Play at least 8 matches, half as a local team and the other half as visitors during the Regular League Phase.
- The Home Team will make sure to bring in three new ball tubes, one for each match. The balls have to be SNP's official ball Lok Accent Balls that will be provided by the club, at a price of 70 SEK/tube. Ball tubes that at the end of each game will become possession of the home team.
- Ensure the availability of the courts for the day and time of the matches. Matches will have to take place at most in two consecutive shifts (see types of game shifts, epigraph 14. *Organization of regular phase matches*).

#### ***Obligations of independent teams:***





- The captain of the local team will be responsible for getting half of the money for the courts from the visiting captain and paying the club, before the match round begins.
- Make the payment of the registration for the League Play and within the deadlines established by the organization.
- The captain of the independent team will be responsible for the team and its players, as well as for responding to any regulations non-compliance.

#### **6. Rights and obligations of club teams**

Club teams will be considered those that officially belong to a club and will always have the club's name on their behalf and the club will be responsible for them (see club or club rights and obligations).

The position and ranking obtained by the club teams in each edition will remain the property of the club. All teams of the club that want to change and become an independent team should ask the club to which they belong to, to send (via email) to the organization of the competition ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)), indicating that they allow that team to become independent by giving them the correspondent classification and position.

#### ***Rights of club teams***

- Have at their disposal the WEBSITES of the SNP, which will be fully organised and supported throughout the competition, allowing them to be informed at all times about the events during the competition use at least 8 matches, half as a local team and the other half as visitors during the Regular Phase.
- All team playing at home must bring in three new ball tubes to each match round. The balls have to be SNP's official ball Lok Accent Balls that will be provided by the club, for a price of 70 SEK/tube.
- The club will provide courts for the day and time of the match and will have to be completed, as a maximum in two rounds (see game types, epigraph 14.Organizaton of regular phase matches).

#### ***Obligations of club teams:***

- The captain of the local team will be responsible for getting half of the money for the courts from the visiting captain and paying the club, before the match round begins.
- Make the payment of registration in the Regular League Phase within the deadlines established by the organization.
- The team captain will be responsible the team and players, as well as for responding for any non-compliance regulations.



### **7. Rights and obligations of team captains**

All teams must have a captain, who will be the person responsible for the team throughout the whole period of the competition. If, for some reason, the captain wants to leave the function, he/she will have to communicate it to the organization via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) along with the name and data of the new captain. A team without a captain will not be able to participate in this competition.

#### ***Captain's rights***

- Captain will be the only person of the team who can communicate with the organization of the SNP through the private area of the website or via email, either to convey any problem, doubt, suggestion or what it deems opportune related to the competition.
- SNP will hold a series of draws during the competition in which only the captains of each team can participate in gratitude for their commitment and collaboration with their team, club and competition.
- The private area of the website will have a space for captains to make the work easier.
- During the competition, the organization will give captains access to the lists of team players in their division, so that they can identify each player in the matches, whenever they deem appropriate. All this information can be found in the captains' private profile on the SNP website.
- The private area on the website is a tool that the captains have free of charge and that will allow them to carry out their work of organizing the teams and following the competition. The private area of the website will allow:
  - To have an intelligent guide that will notify you within the marked deadlines at any time and to be able to follow the competition with ease.
  - To organize and manage all matches.
  - To know the statistics of your players and rivals. Receive all notifications about the competition directly.
  - To communicate directly with the organization
  - Access to special offers and prize draws.

#### ***Captain's obligations:***

- Know SNP's regulations, pass it on to the players and take responsibility for the proper compliance by all members of the team.
- Represent your team in front of the other teams in the competition and the SNP.
- Organize and manage your team's matches.



- Check with the proper consent the minutes of the competition when your teams play at home and away.
- Reply to emails or notifications you may receive from your rival teams or from the organization of the SNP within the time limits established by the Regulation.
- Inform the organization of any competition-related issues during the competition.
- Be responsible for all players complying with the limitations set by the organization to players at any time.
- Control your team's good behavior and fair play throughout the competition.
- If the captain cannot be present in any match, he/she will assign a person responsible to perform his duties during this match round by informing the organization by e-mail before the game starts.
- The captain of the local team will be responsible for getting half of the money for the courts from the visiting captain and paying the club, before the match round begins.
- The captains of the independent teams will be responsible for paying for their team's registration by Swish or bank transfer. All information can be consulted at any time through the Series Nacionales de Padel web (<http://www.snpadel.se>).

#### **8. Players' rights and obligations:**

##### ***Player rights:***

- Take part in a fully organized international padel competition designed for fans of this sport.
- All participants in the SNP will have access and be users of the website where they will have all the information related to the competition available in real time.
- All players will be able to participate in various draws that will take place on the website during the competition.
- All players once registered will receive a notification in their email where they will have to accept their participation in the competition.
- Private website zone that will allow them to:
  - Have an intelligent guide that will notify you within the regulated deadlines at any time to be able to participate in the competition with ease.
  - Access to the private zone on the website.
  - Accept or reject summons of the games.



- Know the players and teams statistics.
- Receive all notifications directly regarding the competition.
- Direct communication with the organization.
- Access to special offers and draws.

***Player obligations:***

- Compete with fair play and with total respect for rivals, team mates, clubs, referees established by the organization and spectators. Players who do not behave appropriately may be penalized, ranging from suspension to expulsion from the competition depending on the severity of the event (the organization will determine the penalty and severity).
- Each player, after being enrolled in their team, will receive a notification via email where they will have to accept personally the regulations of the International Series de Padel. Once confirmed and accepted through notification, the player will become an official team player. All players who do not accept the conditions of the SNP competition will not be able to participate and the organization will have no liability to those players.
- In each Regular Phase match every player will pay the corresponding fee for the courts and balls (only home team) to their team captain who then will pay the host club.
- Pay your team's registration fee for the Regular League Phase . This fee includes:
  - Organization and administration of the competition.
  - Competition committee active throughout the competition.
  - Minimum eight team matches ensured during the League Play.
  - Draws in each region where the competition is played during the Regular League Phase.
  - Classification for the following edition of the SNP according to the result obtained in the League Play or National Playoff.
  - Opportunity to qualify for the SNP National Playoff and International Master.
  - Private website zone that will allow them to:
    - Have an intelligent guide that will notify them within the regulated deadlines at any time to be able to participate in the competition with ease.
    - Access to the private zone of the website.
    - Accept or reject summons of the games.
    - Know the statistics of the players and teams participating.
    - Receive all notifications directly regarding the competition.
    - Direct communication with the organization.





### **9. Obligations of the organization**

- Creation and development of the SNP regulation.
- Organization and development of the International SNP competition with format, regulation, updated website and calendars.
- Ensure a minimum of 8 matches for each of the teams registered during the Regular Phase (half as locals and the other half as visitors). There may be a team that does not compete in the minimum eight matches if there is forcibly a first division or last division that is composed of 4 teams. In promotional regions the number of matches may vary as the organization sees necessary.
- Ensure a minimum of one match round per month for each of the teams registered during the Regular Phase.
- Enable a website page that allows the competition to be much more dynamic, easy, fun and functional for all participants.
- Offer the possibility to all players to participate in various draws, free of charge, during the competition from the website, with fortnightly draws during the Regular Phase.
- Ensure compliance with the SNP regulation by all participants.
- In the National and International Finals, several prizes will be drawn among the participants of the competition.
- Participation in the SNP is the responsibility and risk of the participants. The organization will not be liable for the damage that participants may cause to the premises during the sporting events, themselves or to third parties.

### **10. Requirements of clubs, teams and players**

#### ***Clubs or Host Clubs:***

Clubs need to have at least two courts to participate in the SNP, the courts have to be in perfect condition for the practice of this sport, complying with the regulated measures. Local clubs must have appropriate changing rooms and be available to visiting players during matches.

Any club in order to be a Host Club must contact the SNP organization. Once in contact, the organization should verify and validate that the club complies with all requirements to be SNP host club and that vacancies are available the regions, as these are limited and may vary in each region as and when the organization sees fit.

All clubs must be able to provide their teams with SNP's official ball when playing in their club, at an established price by the organization.



All host clubs are clubs approved by the organization for the conduct of matches from the moment the organization accepts them.

Clubs or host clubs that celebrate the Regional/National Playoff will be elected by the organization of the SNP, always looking for venues that ensure a great organization and development of events such as the Regional Playoffs or National Master (number of suitable courts, quality changing rooms, dining area, parking facility...).

Clubs or Host Clubs will be able to register all teams they want, and each team must be composed of a minimum of 6 players, with no maximum limit. Any amateur player can be part of the teams (see exceptions in the player requirements section). It is advisable for all teams to have a minimum of 12 players registered to avoid problems at the time of the matches.

All clubs must have their corresponding liability insurance up-to-date.

Clubs will have to make it easy for captains playing as a home team on their premises, the times and days available to play the matches.

The organization may, whenever deems it appropriate, request that a club or host club send them the invoice(s) for any match round played on its premises and all its host clubs shall have the obligation, if communicated by the organization, to make the invoices available. The invoices will always be sent via e-mail, reserving the right of the organization to request invoices physically if it deems appropriate.

The organization reserves the right to take the necessary measures if it observes bad work by the host club.

#### ***Teams:***

All teams are independent of each other and all teams will need a team captain to be able to participate in the SNP. The team captain can be a player on any team. The number of teams is limited and may vary depending on the region where the competition takes place and according to what the organization considers.

#### ***Players:***

Any amateur player may participate whenever he/she is correctly registered in a competing team and who has correctly registered in time. When participating in the competition, you must take into account **the limitation of players who cannot participate (A)**, the **group limitation** established by the organization **(B)** and **the limitation by history of matches won in a group of SNP (Grand Slam, 1000, 500 and Future)** in the previous edition in which a player **(C) participated**. Detailed here below:

- A- Limited players who will not be able to participate in the SNP:** any of the players who are included in the following bullet points will not be able to participate in the SNP competition in the current season.



- As it is an amateur competition, no player who is within SNP's limitations of the RankedIn classifications (dated 1 July 2024) may participate – i.e the **TOP 20 MALE** and **TOP 10 FEMALE** (this limitation will be taken before the beginning of the season by the SNP organization and will not be seen affected by possible variations that may occur after the moment it has been taken as a reference).

**For player limitations, please see separate document uploaded in private areas of website “Begränsningar spelare”.**

- Someone who forms or has formed part of the National Team the year prior to the date of closing of registration of the current edition of SNP.
- Do not meet the following limitations according to the International Padel Federation (FIP) or A1 Padel ranking:
  - FIP: in the men's category, players who have 3 points or more will be excluded from participation. Those who possess between 1 and 2 points will only be able to play in the Grand Slam (GS) category. For the women's category, players with 11 points or more will be excluded, while those with between 1 and 10 points will only be allowed to compete in the Grand Slam (GS) category.
  - A1 Padel: in the men's category, players with 151 points or more will be excluded. Players with between 1 and 150 points will be able to participate only in the Grand Slam (GS) category. For the women's category, the top 50 players in the A1 Padel ranking will be excluded, while players from 51st place and on, will only be able to compete in the Grand Slam (GS) category.

Additionally, any player who does not have FIP and A1 PADEL points and has played any event on the FIP or A1 PADEL circuit in the last four years, counted from the current edition of the SNP (i.e. from January 1, 2021 onwards), will only be able to participate in the SNP competition in the Grand Slam category. The only exception to play in lower categories will be if the player started the competition in the Grand Slam category in a regulatory manner and was relegated with the team in which he started the SNP competition, without the possibility of playing in a different team in lower categories.

- In the event that there are cases that are due to the interpretation of the above or it is not included in the regulations, it will be the organization of SNP that decides whether the player can participate or not.

❖ Limitations of federative classifications or in case of Sweden, RankedIn:

**Sweden:**

- \*20 first men's category
- \*10 women's top category



**Portugal:**

- \*20 first men's category
- \*10 women's top category

**Spain:**

- Andalusia, Catalonia and Madrid:
  - \*Top 40 in the men's category.
  - \*20 first female categories.
- Valencian Community:
  - \*30 first men's category.
  - \*10 first female category.
- Murcia:
  - \*10 first male category.
  - \*10 first female category.
- Rest of autonomous communities:
  - \*First 5 male category.
  - \*2 first female category.
- La Rioja, Ceuta and Melilla are exempt only in relation to the limitation of Autonomous Communities.

Any complaint regarding lists published by the SNP in relation to players excluded from any level must take place before the registration date of the Region where the player in question will participate, closes. Otherwise, the complaint will not have any validity and the publication of the organization will be made as official.

1. You must be at least 18 years old to participate in this competition and it is possible to participate in this competition from the player's adulthood day on and never before.
  2. A player who is sanctioned by the SNP and has not complied with his penalty.
- B- Limiting players per group (level) (Grand Slam, 1,000, 500 and Future):** in order to ensure the correct development of the competition and for the purpose of making it fun and balanced, the organization has set the following limitations for each group (level) (Grand Slam, 1,000, 500 and Future) so that each player can be part of one team or another within a group or other whenever they respect the following limitations and conditions. If a player disputes a game not complying with any of the following limitations or conditions, a penalty of wrongful disposal





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will be applied (penalty chapter). The groups correspondence in relation to the RankedIn Sweden will be as follows:

Begränsningar spelare	EXKLUDERADE SNP HERR	NIVÅ GRAND SLAM HERR	NIVÅ 1000 HERR	NIVÅ 500 HERR	EXKLUDERADE SNP DAM	NIVÅ GRAND SLAM DAM	NIVÅ 1000 DAM	NIVÅ 500 DAM
Sverige	1-20	21-110	111-900	901-2120	1-10	11-50	51-220	221-700

In addition to these limitations, each captain will take into account the rest of the limitations set by the SNP regulation to avoid non-compliance.

- C- Player limit per game history (minimum level tags):** before the start of each edition the organization will assign each registered player a tag level for all the entire season according to each player's track record in the previous season or seasons. No player will be allowed to be called to play at a lower level than their level tag.

The level tags will be assigned according to the following characteristics and the following table:

- **Players who have participated in two or more teams in a season, because they are affiliates:** will take into account the matches the player played in the group (Grand Slam, 1000, 500 or Future) in the team where the competition will end, that is, team where the National Playoff should be played.
- **No-show:** matches that are no show are not taken into account when assigning a level tag to a player.
- **New players or players who have never played 3 or more matches in the same season:** will be labeled AS FUTURE.

TAGS EDITION 2024-2025	Players with 3 or more matches ( 2024-2025 Edition )	Players with 0-2 matches ( 2024-2025 Edition )
PLAYERS PROMOTED TO A HIGHER LEVEL (GRAND SLAM,1000,500 or FUTURE)	The top group tag will be awarded to the team that won the league Play, if they win more than 35% of the matches and if they win 35% of the matches or less they will be tagged in the lower group than the one that won the league. Grand Slam players who win more than 35%, will still be labelled as GS as there is no higher level.	<u>For the purpose of the level tags, will be considered 1 or 2 matches equal to 0, that is, that there was no participation.</u> If you did not participate in the last edition you will be tagged in a lower level than you played in the last participation with 3 or more matches. If you did not participate, you go down one more level and so on. But in the event that your team has gone up in the last edition that participated and has 4 or more matches and even if you have won more than 50%, you will be assigned the top-level label except: if you have not participated in two years (less than 3 matches) you will be awarded lower level label compared to the group to which you would climb and so on. In case the player played 1 or 2 times and his team went down, the lower group tag would be assigned to where their team goes down.
PLAYERS RELEGATED TO A LOWER LEVEL (GRAND SLAM,1000,500 OR FUTURE)	The lower-level label will be assigned to the team that is relegated from the group.	
PLAYERS REMAINING IN THE SAME GROUP (GRAND SLAM,1000,500 or FUTURE)	You'll be assigned the tag of the same group your team belongs to if you win more than 35% of the matches. If you win 35% or less of the matches, you will be given a lower group tag than your team.	



National Playoff and International Master matches will not be taken into account when calculating minimum level tags.

When a player has an SNP history of at least 3 matches in the same group (GS, 1000, 500 the Future) and in the tagged edition, this SNP level tag will prevail over any other limitation, except: players excluded entirely from the competition for established limitations, i.e. that appear in the limitations list as "**EXCLUDED**" (for example being excluded from the competition because it is the number 4 male of Sweden having as reference the list published at that time by the SNP and not before possible subsequent changes).

If a player had not complied with any of the player limitations in his/her first participation and had been labelled according to an anti-regulation participation, he/she would be considered an anti-regulation player, with no use of the exception in which the level label prevails over the rest of the limitations set out in the preceding paragraph.

Since all players must comply with the level tag limitation established, if for any reason (other than identity duplicity) a player was mislabeled in the system, and being detected by a complaint or by the organization, he/she will be removed from the team in the event of playing in a team with a lower category than his/her true level label. If the player was forced to leave the team because it is not properly defined within the system, that player could enroll in any team competing in the competition which corresponds with the player's level. The team in which it is detected that the system has not set a player's level label correctly will not be punished for such a reason, whenever that player, once the error has been detected, does not re-play any match with that team in a lower category than the appropriate and corresponding label.

If a complaint is received indicating that the system is granting a level label to a player erroneously (with the exception of identity duplicity) and if it is determined like that by the organization, they should proceed to correct the player's level tag. In the event the player is playing on a lower-tier team matching their level tag after correction, they will be removed from the team. The games played in this irregularity will be given as null and should be repeated without the presence of that player. Additionally, both captains can add to their teams, in this match, any player within the regulations, and who has not played any match in the competition where the irregularity occurred. All matches where there are no irregularities will be valid. To repeat the match the organization will communicate officially (via e-mail) to both captains, the cancellation of the match played by the anti-regulation player, communicating the deadlines and how to fix the date on which the match will be repeated.

Any player mislabeled by the system and detected once the Regular Phase has ended will retain the label that the system initially granted to them.

The organization will be able to study extraordinarily exceptional cases of player labels for the proper functioning of the competition.



### **11. Official ball**

All matches in SNP group play and SNP National Playoff will be played with the official ball established by the competition. The official ball of the SNP edition 2024 /2025 is the **LÖK Fresh Balls**. It will be mandatory to play all the matches the indicated phases with the official ball (see section on sanctions "official ball").

The home club will provide the hometeam with the balltubes at a cost of 70 SEK/tube.

During the group play of SNP's Regular Phase, 3 new ball tubes will be opened each match. During SNP National Playoff, it will be the referee who determines if the balls are suitable for play, being able to use new balls or not depending on the previous match played with these balls.

In the event that the host club does not provide the official ball during SNP's group play, a corrective measure will be applied through the "Commissioner of the official SNP ball":

#### **1.- Corrective action "Commissioner of the official SNP ball"**

The organization will appoint a series of people in each zone who will form the Official SNP Ball Commissioner, and together with the official referees and delegates of the competition of each zone will have the power to show up at any match that is played during the Regular Phase without prior notice and inform the organization if any club does not respect the use of the official ball. Those clubs in which the non-use of the official ball is detected by the Commissioner of the official ball, referees or official delegates of the SNP, a sanction will be applied, consisting of 75€, which must be paid within a maximum period of seven days to the organization. If it is not made effective in a timely manner, the host club may be expelled from the competition without the option of reimbursement of the registration fee made, and a host club will be found for all the teams that play in the offending host club. The 75€ penalty that the organization obtains from those host clubs that have not respected the regulations regarding the official ball will be used to cover the cost of the next match of the visiting team to which the official ball was not placed. If a host club incurs for the second time in the non-use of the official ball, it may be expelled from the competition and a host club will be found for all the teams that play in the offending host club.

#### **2- Corrective measure "in site":**

This measure will be applied immediately against the host club that does not provide the official ball in a match, and will be carried out directly by the two teams that are going to play a match and are not provided with the official ball. This measure will consist of paying half of the price of the courts by both teams in the match where the official ball was not provided, and not the total as it would be in a normal match of the group play (see more in section about Sanctions Official Ball).



How to act when in a match the host club does not provide the official ball and to apply the corrective measure "In Site"?

1º- Both the home and visiting teams will pay half of the price of the court together, thus sanctioning the host club that does not follow the regulations at the moment that it is known that it does not provide the official ball.

2º- The match will be played with total normality and will be valid in all senses.

3º- The visiting or winning team will send an email to the organization to inform the organization of what happened. The organization will later be responsible for warning the club of what happened and its consequences if it happens again (possible emigration of the teams that have the offending club as their homeclub).

All those teams that pay a host club the total price of the courts in a match instead of the half that would correspond in those matches where the official ball is NOT provided, will not be able to subsequently claim the application of the sanction to the host club for non-compliance with the regulations regarding providing the official ball, since this sanction will be executed at the same time as the payment of the match by the teams themselves before entering the court.

Those clubs that for any reason do not have the official ball to play the matches, will only be able to receive half of the price of the courts from both teams for the mentioned match, without being able to claim either from the affected teams or from the organization anything in this regard, since by failing to comply with the regulations regarding the official ball it is their responsibility and they will willingly assume what is stated in the the SNP regulations.

The local host club must provide a new ball tube for each match to be played, regardless of whether the match is played in one or 2 turns, that is, a new ball tube must be opened in each of the different matches of the match round. In the event of non-compliance with this rule, they may only receive half of the price of the courts of the match of both teams, without being able to claim anything in this regard from the affected teams or from the organization.

The corrective measures for the non-use of the official ball will be exclusive of each other, that is, if the first corrective measure is applied, the second cannot be applied or vice versa.

## **12. Competition format**

The format of the competition is based on:

**First: Regular Phase**, all registered teams will be divided into different groups (levels: Grand Slam, 1,000, 500 and Future) according to the number of teams registered in each region and their levels. Each group will be formed by different team divisions of the





previous edition depending on the results obtained in the **Regular Phase (and National Master)** of the previous edition and the new teams registered in the current edition.

In each division formed, each team will play 1st leg and 2nd leg matches.

Once the Regular Phase is completed, the teams that end in 1st and 2nd place in the total classification of each division, will qualify for the National Playoff.

If a points draw were made in any group at the time in the standings of a Regular Phase group, the tiebreaker would take into account the following conditions in the order below:

1. Direct match round between tied teams, taking into account that the team that wins the match 3 will be the winner.
2. Difference between won and lost sets between tied teams.
3. Difference between matches won and lost between tied teams.
4. Difference between sets won and lost in the regular phase period, where the tie was produced (only the 1st or 2nd round where the tie took place will be counted).
5. Difference between won and lost matches in the regular phase period where the tie was produced (only the 1st or 2nd round will be counted according where the tie took place).
6. Difference between won and lost sets throughout the Regular.
7. Difference in won and lost matches throughout the Regular

If there are teams tied for points in the group ranking, it's not going to take in consideration penalties for points of alignment or for having introduced the results out of time, at the time of having to untie a tiebreaker, since these penalties will be applied immediately on the classification.

Teams not finishing on the stipulated competition date will be excluded from the National Master and will lose their registration fee, without the possibility of reimbursement, unless they contribute the corresponding amount of each competition not played away from home to the affected club, as well as possible penalties that may have incurred (see penalties section). Payment must be made before the deadline set by the organization according to the end date of the Regular Phase and the start of the National Master.

The organization is not responsible for the non-attendance of any team in any match of the Regular Phase. That match will count as one of the minimum matches guaranteed in this Regular Phase.



All winning teams in their division and corresponding category of the Regular Phase must confirm in advance their willingness to play the SNP International Master in order to play the National Playoff.

If any team that corresponds to it playing the National Playoff decides not to participate, it will directly assign its position to the next qualifier in the mentioned League Play and confirm its presence.

If a team wins the National Playoff and decides not to participate in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel (see penalty chapter), it will be replaced by the following best ranked team in the National Playoff and if none of these teams can't participate, the turn goes to the one of best classified teams in the Regular Phase.

The organization may modify the competition format in a country if that eases the participation of the country in the competition.

**Third: International Master Series Nacionales de Padel.** The SNP International Master will be played by the National Playoff winning teams in their four categories or levels: Grand Slam, 1.000, 500 and Future, along with the best ranked teams from other countries. Any team that competes in the National Playoff must have previously confirmed their intention to participate in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel. Therefore, when a team decides to compete in the National Playoff, it will be aware that if they qualify, they will participate in the SNP International Master, thus avoiding harming other teams in their region. In the event that the ranked team of a region does not wish to participate in the International Master, its place will be occupied by the following ranked team of the series or region from where it comes. All winning teams in the different regions will have to confirm their participation in the National Playoff within a maximum period of two days after qualifying for that Phase.

International Master Series Nacionales de Padel format:

- The classified teams (one team from Sweden initially will be classified by group and category) will be divided into different groups, each with different teams, where they will have to play all against all (similar to the Regular Phase).
- The two first teams in their respective groups will qualify for the final of their category.

The organization reserves the right to be able to increase the number of vacancies assigned to the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel, ensuring the minimum number of vacancies mentioned above. It also reserves the right to invite winning teams from other events if it deems appropriate.

In the Regular Phase and the National Playoff, the matches will be played in best of three sets with one golden point at all times; the third set, if it has to be played, will be an 11 points super tiebreaker (no point difference necessary).

During the SNP International Master, matches will be played in best of three traditional sets with tiebreaker in all of them, if necessary, through a tie break to 7 points with a



difference of two. All matches will be played with one golden point. During the SNP International Master, all qualifying matches decided in the third set, if played, will be a super tie-break at 11 points, provided the third set has not yet begun.

The organization, if appropriate, can expand the number of vacancies for the team to classify the SNP International Master, communicating in advance to the teams involved.

***Promotions and relegations from one edition to another:***

The champion of each division (with the highest sum of points from first and second leg together in the Regular Phase) of the previous season (except Grand Slam teams) are required to play the Regular Phase of the next edition in a level higher than they won in the last edition. Also if a team wins the National Playoff and was not the champion of its division, that team will also play the Regular Phase of the next edition in a level higher than they won in the last edition. In other words, last season's Regular Phase 1.000 champion team is expected to play the Regular Phase of the following season in the group of Grand Slam, as well as the Regular Phase finals champion team, even if the team does not appear in the National Playoff and leaves the spot for the next ranked team.

Similarly, the team that ends last in each division at the end of the Regular Phase will be relegated in the next edition of the competition.

Exceptionally, the Competition Committee will have the power to promote or relegate from the group a greater or lesser number of teams from a specific area for the proper functioning of the competition.

**13. Structure of groups and divisions; estimation of levels and divisions of teams**

To determine the group and division to which each team corresponds, the following evaluation measures will be taken:

- In regions where the SNP competition begins for the first time, teams will be divided according to the level or group and to the estimated assessment by the responsible of the club or the team they belong to (always under supervision and authorization of the organization). Four different levels or groups can be selected, to be completed on the registration form on the first participation of each team or player, for guidance towards the best development of the competition (in the case of a team, value according to most of its components):

**1-level 4 and 5 = FUTURE (low).**

**2-level 3 = 500 (medium).**

**3-level 2 = 1,000 (high).**

**4-level 1 = GRAND SLAM (high-competition).**



**Note:** Each level or group indicated has its own player limitations in order to find a more real balance between each of them (see point 10 chapter players – requirements of clubs, host clubs, teams and players).

All clubs or host clubs that feature more than one official club branch team will be drawn without exact letter or team specification to place those considered to be at the highest level in the higher categories and thus avoid undermining the competition (**condition 1 of branches**).

In the event that one or more teams are positioned in groups or divisions that do not correspond to their level, the organization may re-structure them and restructure the group or divisions as appropriate for the proper functioning of the competition. It will take into account the score and match results of each round obtained by each team in its division during the first round of the Regular Phase. The restructuring of divisions or groups or the relocation of teams will be applied, if necessary, for the return of the Regular Phase.

- From the second edition of SNP in a region/country, the divisions of the new edition will be based on the Regular Phase classification (and in some cases National Playoff) of each region of the previous edition.
- Newly registered teams will be placed in a group as indicated on the application form and will be verified and approved by the organization. If there is a discrepancy in the group to which a new team should belong, priority is given to what is determined by the organization. Once determined the new group for the team, it will be drawn according to the conditions of the new registered teams (except the teams that the organization deems appropriate, which will be placed in a specific position of the standings to avoid undermining the competition, which will be very exceptional cases), completing the divisions from the last team in the previous edition of the SNP within the group assigned to the new team. In order for a team to request promotion from the previous season's Regular Phase ranking, it must be requested by writing to the organization for its consideration, and must have at least 4 players with the level tag or restrictions that limit players to the group they wish to promote.

#### **Conditions of the new teams registered:**

1. Two teams with re-registration at the same club in the same division can never match, unless there is no other option because the draw thus indicates when those teams appear from the same club in the last draw that cannot be modified, as no team can be moved to a lower division. After the first year of competition, each team will receive a group and a division, depending on the ranking obtained in the previous edition, where the teams of the same club can match in the same division.
2. Condition **1 of the branches will** be applied in the draw of new teams.

#### **14. Organization of Regular Phase matches**

The organization will establish a schedule that will determine which teams will face each round and the period in which it can be played. The schedule will be set as follows:



1. Captains will have to communicate the date and the chosen time to play their matches as hometeam, through the website (private area) before the registration of the corresponding region and the organization will prepare a closed calendar when the competition begins in these regions. It should be taken into account that in regions/countries where the fixed date model will be developed for matches, captains can only choose a single day and time to play as venues throughout the season and can only choose between Saturday or Sunday as match days. The time of the chosen match must be within the following parameters:

- Saturdays, from 09:00 to 18:00
- Sundays, from 09:00 to 19:00

Note: These times can be modified according to the region/country and will be officially communicated by the organization by e-mail.

2. To establish a date agreement in regions that apply "**the variable date model for matches**" (if it's not the fixed date model), the following process is followed:

1st - The local captain will offer the visiting captain two dates on two different weekends, within the rounds established by the competition calendar. This process will be done via website (private area). The two dates proposed to compete in the match of each round must be made 10 days before the first day of the round to be played (except the first round-trip race of the Regular Phase to be held three days before the first day of the race to be played), in other words, if my team plays round 3 in the period from March 13 to 29, at the latest, the date of this test must be sent to the visiting captain by March 3. If the local captain does not make the proposed dates within the regulated period, it will be the visiting captain who will determine the two dates to dispute the game in the local facilities 8 days before the start of the match. In this case, it is up to the local captain to choose one of the dates proposed by the visiting captain 6 days before the start of the journey otherwise, the farthest date in time will be set. All this process should be activated with the relevant complaint of the visiting captain to the organization by e-mail ([info@snpadel.it](mailto:info@snpadel.it)) the affected rival captain must send a copy of that e-mail, otherwise the claim will not be valid. This claim must be made at least 8 days before the first day of the round period to be played (except for the first round-trip race of the Regular Phase, which must be made 1 day before the first day of the race period to be played). There may be rounds that occur on a single weekend, where the two proposed dates must be made on a different day and shift (morning or afternoon).

2nd - The visiting captain will check one of the two dates offered by the local captain, having as a deadline to choose one of these two dates up to 6 days before the first day of the competition period to be played (except the first round-trip of the Regular Phase that must be elected two days before), now that the date has been chosen by the visiting captain to which the corresponding match is played, this process will be carried out via the website (private area). If the visiting captain does not choose one of the two dates proposed by the local captain within the regulated time frame, the said match will be played on the proposed date farther in





the time of the two (the system will automatically define it) and, in case the visiting team cannot be disputed, it will be considered as 8-0 in favor of the local team.

3. Once a date has been agreed or set by the 2 captains in the system, both captains may modify it by common agreement to play it on another date within the same competition or postpone, but always meeting the requirements laid down by the regulation on postponements. In this case, the visiting captain will send a proposal (from the captain's private website area, from the matches section and within the confrontation in question) that must be accepted by the local captain, to be validated. If it is not accepted, it will not be considered to modify it and the initially agreed will prevail.

The local team captain will be responsible for securing the reservation of the courts at his head for each agreed match, ensuring that the host club's tracks are reserved only and exclusively for the match that his team has agreed to and that can be played in accordance with SNP regulations (in the fixed and variable date model).

The days on which local teams will be able to hold the matches will be:

- Friday afternoon, after 16h (always taking into account point 4 in case of lack of time).
- Saturday and Sunday, any time can be considered (always taking into account point 4 in case of lack of agreement).

It can never be suggested as a match date to play the same match on Friday if the other option offered is on Saturday morning (from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) and vice versa, it can never be offered as the match date to play the same match on Saturday morning (from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) if the other option offered is Friday.

The two dates considered by the local team may not coincide on the same shift and day of the week if requested by the visiting team to facilitate the proper development of the competition, in other words if one of the proposals is on Saturday afternoon, the other proposal cannot be on Saturday, and cannot be on the afternoon shift.

The visiting captain shall have the right to request changing one of the proposals by the local captain from the system, if the local captain proposes two match dates, one on Friday and another Saturday morning (both day options and working hours normally). The local captain will be required to withdraw one of the two proposed dates offered and will have to modify it by: Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning or Sunday afternoon, depending on the day the local captain decides to delete the proposal.

In order for the visiting captain to request this date change by the local captain, this complaint must be made by the visiting captain by e-mailing the organization ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)), copying the local captain and must be made before the period established for the visiting captain to choose one of the two proposals offered by the local captain. If the visiting captain does not claim it in time or form, the valid dates will be those offered by the system by the local captain.



4. The times of the matches proposed to play the matches should always be understandable, taking into account the place from which the visiting team comes from. If no agreement is found to set the time of the match, it must be played within the following time intervals:

- Saturday 09:00 – 18:00
- Sunday 09:00 – 19:00

It can never be suggested as a match date to play the same match on Friday if the other option offered is on Saturday morning (from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) and vice versa, it can never be suggested as the match date to play the same match on Saturday morning (from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm) if the other option offered is Friday.

5. Once the date has been checked, the captain of the visiting team will receive an automatic notification.
6. In the event that the two teams do not agree on the date to play the match for any reason, the organization may unilaterally establish the date for the match to be played, if it deems it appropriate, as it is a case that is exceptionally unregulated if one or both teams do not appear to play, the team or the two teams involved will be penalized with the obligation to play as visitors in the next competition where they would play as venues, as well as the loss of 8 points for each sanctioned team (see penalty section).
7. If the same team finds itself unable to agree two matches, the organization will study the causes and reserve the right to sanction it as it deems appropriate, and may expel the offending team from the competition without the right to demand reimbursement of their registration (see the penalty section).

All matches that have not been played after the end of the dates stipulated by the organization to play the Regular Phase round-trip will be counted as follows:

1. For the matches that the local team has not proposed two dates (within the regulatory deadlines), can be considered as lost by the local team 0 to 8 in favor of the visiting team, since it is the responsibility of the local team to propose the two dates to the visitor. These cases will be studied by the Competition Committee and may be declared void or in favor of either team, if deemed appropriate, because none of the captains has been able to manage the tie as appropriate in time and form, in accordance with all variants that offer the rules of the competition.
2. Matches reflecting in the system the two dates proposed by the local team (within the regulatory deadlines) to play the specific match and are not accepted in the system by the visiting team (within the regulatory deadlines), can be considered lost by the visiting team 8-0 in favor of the local team. These cases will be studied by the Competition Committee and may be declared void or in favor of either team, if deemed appropriate,



because none of the captains has been able to manage the tie as appropriate in time and form, in accordance with all variants that offer the rules of the competition.

3. In the regions where the fixed date model is adapted, for the matches, that were not played, will remain null (they will not have points from any of the two teams), unless an e-mail was sent to the organization by the two teams, communicating and agreeing which team would be responsible for not being able to dispute the match, and where 8 points will be awarded in favor of the team that was not responsible for not competing within the estimated time frame. The team responsible for not being able to play the match will score 0 points and this will count as non-presence. These cases will be studied by the Competition Committee and may be declared void or in favor of either team, if deemed appropriate, because none of the captains managed the qualifier properly in time and form, according to all variants that offer the rules of the competition.

All matches that have not been played and once the dates stipulated by the organization have ended to play the Regular Phase back or forth, will be studied by the Competition Committee and may be declared void or in favor of either team if deemed appropriate due to none of the captains having managed the tie properly in the time and form of agreement with all variants offered by the competition regulations, as in the cases we set out below:

1. On the first lap of the regular Phase round-trip match, proposals must be made three days before the first day. If the visiting team does not respond to the proposal before 2 days from the beginning of the day, it must be the home team, by e-mail to the organization with copy to the captain of the visiting team, who asks to set the date and time furthest from the start of the day in the system. If the game is not contested because the date has not been set, or because the site has not proposed in time and form, or because the visitor has not responded to the proposals in a timely manner, or because the local captain has not sent the timely submission to the organization for the last date to be set, will be cancelled and teams must pay the courts.
2. On the first or second round of the Regular Phase, proposals must be made three days before the first day. If the local team does not propose 3 days before the start of the day, it must be the visiting team, by e-mail to the organization with copy to the captain of the local team, which proposes two dates for the match, the local captain must confirm one of the two dates 1 day before the start of the day. If the confrontation was not contested because the date had not been set, either because the visitor had not sent the proposals in a timely manner, or because the place did not respond to the proposals in a timely manner, or because the visiting captain had not sent the correspondence in a timely manner to the organization, so that the last date is set, it will be declared void, and teams must pay the courts.



3. If the local captain does not offer both dates before the 10 days of the start of the day in a timely manner, (except for the first day of departure or return of the Regular Phase that must be held 3 days before the first day of the day to play), the visiting team by e-mail to the local team with copy to the Organization, must propose both dates before the 8 days of the start of the day, and the local team must accept one of the two dates at least 6 days before the start of the day. If the local team does not choose the date, the visiting team must e-mail the Organization, with a copy to the local team, the request to set the date and time further away from the beginning of the day in the system. If the confrontation was not contested because the date had not been set, either because the visitor had not sent the proposals in a timely manner, or because the place did not respond to the proposals in a timely manner, or because the visiting captain had not sent the correspondence in time for the appointment of the last date, it will be declared void, and teams must pay the courts.
4. If the match is not played because there is no scheduled date, by both captains have not made any proposal for dates in a timely manner, it will be declared null and void by the Competition Committee, as neither captain has been able to schedule the qualifiers according to the time and form according to all variants offered by the competition regulations, both teams must pay the courts.

In non played matches and declared void or in favor of one or another team by the Competition Committee, the team/s involved must pay the club / local club the value of mentioned match round, as already determined for each case by the Competition Committee.

If a team does not play two matches in the round-trip phase (Regular Phase or SNP International Master), or if it withdraws with more than half of the matches outstanding for playing in the first or second leg, all their matches will be annulled at that phase, and all teams that in the affected division will be counted with 0 points in the matches against that team.

The local captain can optionally indicate to the visiting captain whether the match will be played in 1 or 2 innings of play and can indicate the number of matches to be played in each turn. In this case, the following order of play of the 3 pairs must be respected: 1, 2 and 3. The pairs that play in the 2nd round must appear no later than 15 minutes after the official time of the match, and will have an extra 15 minutes of waiting for any unforeseen to prevent the match from being lost as a non-presence, that is, if they appear more than 30 minutes after the official time of commencing, the match will be given as no-show or absence of said pair.

The match turn types set to develop any match during Regular Phase can be two: single turn or double turn. It will be the local captain who determines in what type of turn each match will be played (should always be agreed with the local club). Different types of shifts must comply with the following conditions:



- **Single turn:** The three matches of the round are played at the same time.
- **Double turn:** The round will be held in two shifts, respecting the following conditions:
  1. During the first matchround, one or two matches may be played as the local captain deems appropriate.
  2. During the second round, two matches will be played in the event that the first round has started with a game or the first round has started with two matches.
  3. All second-round matches can start as soon as each court is free from the first-round matches, or in different courts than those played in the first round.

It should be taken into account at all times that if any second round match is not played on the same courts where the first round matches are being played consecutively, they can never start after 60 minutes in relation to the official start time of the match in question. If any second-round match is played on one of the courts where one of the first-round matches is being played, the second round players must wait till the end of the first-round match, regardless of the duration of the first round.

Whether in a one or two turn match during the Regular Phase and Challenge, once a match starts on a court, it must end on the same court, unless all four players agree to change the court either for force majeure reasons or due to weather conditions, or if the track cannot continue because it is not suitable for any reason during the match. If they were forced to change the court after starting a match without a force majeure reason, it could mean the loss of that match by the local team, if the Competition Committee considered it so, after complaining in time and form the visiting team.

During the National Playoff and International Master Series Nacionales de Padel, the shifts will be determined by the referee judge, assigning the shifts based on the availability of the fields and by what the referee judge deems appropriate for the proper development of the event.





### **15. Development of matches**

Each match round will consist of three matches, six players per team. The scores of each match will be established by the results of the three matches that will face the three corresponding pairs as follows:

- Pair number one (3 points/match).
- Pair number two (3 points/match).
- Pair number three (2 points/match).

The matches of pairs number one and two will be worth 3 points, while the match of the pair number three will be worth 2 points. During the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel in case of a tie, will be considered a tiebreaker, the result between the number three pairs and play-up is a matchround of five matches awarding scores to each according to:

- Pair number one (3 points/game).
- Pair number two (3 points/game).
- Pair number three (2 points/game).
- Pair number four (2 points/game).
- Pair number five (2 points/game).

For both the Regular Phase and the League Phase in the International Master Series Nationals of Padel classification, the sum of the total points obtained in each match of all matches will be assessed as a priority.

Each captain or team leader must indicate the three pairs (five pairs in International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) **in the resume of the competition**, duly completing all fields indicated as needed. The resume of the competition will be available to all captains of each team on the site. While deciding, the captain should take into account that the system will allow you to make the pairs as it deems appropriate, but when ordering the number of each pair (1,2 and 3), the system will take into account the sum of points of the 2 players of the pair introduced into the system. The pair being the number 1 adds more points among its members, the pair 2, the second with the highest number of points among its members, and so on, in order to reflect the order of the sum points of the 3 pairs that will play the tie (if the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel are five pairs). The points of each player are those of the SNP ranking. The captain cannot change the order of the pairs, but can replace the player he/she wants, but in this case the order will be calculated again, according to the previous method, and the players will be positioned where they should. In the case of tie-points between pairs:

1. If there's a tie between couples, the couple with the player with the best individual ranking will appear first.
2. If it persists, it will be tied by the 2 players with the less individual ranking.



3. If it persists, the captain may vary the order of the tied pairs as desired, but always in block, in other words:
- If there are 5 tied pairs (this case only occurs in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) you can order them as you wish.
  - If there are 4 pairs (this case only occurs in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) tied from 1 to 4, the captain can order them as desired always having in mind the order in the ranking, and always respecting the block of 1 to 4, because the pair 5 has less points. If the pairs are tied from 2 to 5 the same system applies as desired, but from 2 to 5, because the pair 1 has more points.
  - In addition, if there are 3 draws, you can always change them, but in block, from 1 to 3, from 2 to 4 (this case only occurs in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) or from 3 to 5 (this case only occurs in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel).
  - Similarly, if there are 2 draws, between 1 and 2, between 2 and 3, between 3 and 4 or between 4 and 5.

The ranking points awarded by the system when aligning will be valid at any time, regardless if they're updated or not.

**Players will have an obligation to go to all matches with their identity documents, passport or driver's license, presenting them mandatorily to the captain or representative of the rival team to verify each player.** If a player does not submit any of these documents, to be identified, he/she must send to the organization by e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) one of the identification documents previously mentioned within 8 hours starting when the lack of identification occurred (it will be verified by the organization and a confirmation will be requested from the rival team, if they consider it appropriate). If the documentation is not submitted within the established deadline, the team will be penalized with the loss of the match 8-0 (in the case of International Master Series Nacionales de Padel they lose 12-0) (see the penalty section).

**Fifteen minutes before the start of each match, both captains must have their lineup defined, confirmed and completed in the digital resume of the match on the site (private zone),** ensuring the number one pair of each team face each other, in the same way as pairs number two and so on, until the three matches occur (five in the case of the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel).

If a team does not have their lineup set, confirmed and completed fifteen minutes before the start time of the match, the late lineup penalty will apply (see penalty section). If a captain has a problem when introducing the lineup of a match into the system (via the website), the captain may send the lineup of that match round by e-mail to [info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se) before the regulated time, indicating the number of the pair (in relation



to the sum of the points of the members of each pair, the pair being the number 1 the one with the highest sum of points among its players, the pair 2 the second with the highest sum of points between its members and so on.

Points are those of the individual Ranking of the SNP, and the name and surname of each player must be indicated. The email must have been received in the organization's e-mail [info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se) 15 minutes before the scheduled time for the match. If any of these premises are not fulfilled when sending a lineup for a greater cause to the organization, a lineup not introduced into the system with the consequent sanction (2 points) will be considered.

Any lineup case sent by e-mail will be studied by the organization and will later be determined whether it is valid or not. The organization recommends that the lineup should be completed in the system 24 hours before the time of the match and avoid, as far as possible, leave it for the last minute. **Any request regarding changes of dates, times, player registration, player verification or any management or issue that may be related to a match that will be played must be made by e-mail to [info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se) before Friday before the 1pm showdown.** The captains will receive the lineup by e-mail as proof that they have performed it and have confirmed it correctly.

Before match start, captains must check the national identifications of all players participating in the match, confirming the identity of all participants. Later, the local captain will show the 3 new ball tubes with which the three matches of the match will be played. Once the players and the new balls of the competition are identified, the visiting team captain will be responsible for paying his team's corresponding amount for the courts to the team captain of the host club. It's very important that, before going into the courts, both captains present the rival pairs that will play against each other, once the identities have been verified and it is confirmed that these pairs coincide with the order of the pairs reflected in the match report in the system, in other words. to announce the two pairs that form the number one match, the two pairs forming the number two and so on, to avoid errors in the pairs of matches established in the match report.

The court order of the pairs in each match will be as follows: one, two, and three (the court entry order can be changed if the two captains agree). After each match, the local team captain will have to enter the results of the 3 matches in the match report on the website (fill out digital resume in the private website area indicating the results of each match) within 24 hours from the time of the match. If the local captain does not do so within the estimated time limit, a penalty will be imposed on his/her team with the loss of 1 point in the general classification (see penalty section). In turn, the captain of the visiting team will have to validate the resume of the competition within 48 hours from the time of the match. If the visiting captain does not validate the result within the stipulated time limit, it will be considered validated. If after 24 hours the local captain has not entered the results, the visiting captain will also have the option to enter them. Once the digital resume have been confirmed and verified or, by default, past the validation period, no complaint may be made by either parties relating to such confrontation.



During the matches, instructions can only be received by teammates, captain or coach. Players can only be instructed on side changes when players are off the court, under no circumstances can instructions be given while players are on the court playing.

The coach will be the person authorized by the organization so that, without being a team player or captain, has the power to instruct team members during matches.

To request the coach's permission, it is necessary to make a request to the organization by e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) by the team captain with the information (name, surname, national identification number, email, telephone) of the person to whom he/she requests the authorization of the coach. After submitting the coach's request for permission, it will not be official until the team captain receives verification from the organization of the SNP competition authorizing the person in question to act as a coach. It will never be possible to have more than one coach per team (a coach can act as such in several teams). The figure of the coach will serve solely and exclusively to have the ability to give instructions during a match round to the members of the team of which he/she is a coach and will not do any other function or power in the team or organization. Any coach who works in an unsportsmanlike or inappropriate manner will be immediately relieved of such function, as considered by the organization.

If during the course of a match a player is forced to withdraw for any reason, such as an injury, the match round will continue normally, taking into account that this match will be counted as lost by the pair who withdrew, completing in the resume the necessary matches pending by playing in favor of the pair who did not give up until the match is over (see the injury section).

In the Regular Phase and in the National Playoff, the matches will be played in best of three sets with one golden point at all times; the third set, if it has to be played, will be an 11-point super tiebreaker with no point difference. During the SNP International Master, matches will be played in best of three traditional sets with tiebreaker in all of them if necessary through a tie-break to 7 points with a difference of two. All matches will be played with one golden point. During the SNP International Master, all qualifying matches decided in the third set, if played, will be a super tie-break at 11 points, provided the third set has not yet begun.

**Elimination-format matches:** For all elimination matches of the National Playoff, and International Master Series Nacionales de Padel, all captains must have their team's full lineup in the system 15 minutes before the set time. Teams that do not, will have a 2 point penalty in the match. All captains must appear at the referee's table 15 minutes before the scheduled time to hand over the IDs. The 6 players (International Master 10 players) must also be at the club 15 minutes before the set time.

The system of lineups throughout National Playoff and International Master will be exactly the same as the Regular Phase (in Matches on the private site). In the event of a tie at 6 points, the team whose pair no. 3 won will be the winner (this case only takes place in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel).



After each match, the captains must immediately go to the referee to communicate the results, so that the referee can introduce them into the system. If no captain does this in time, the results communicated by the captain who provided them will be considered valid and, if neither captain reports the results in good time, these will be considered a lost match for both teams, remaining disqualified from the competition.

In any match of the competition, it will be the captains and players responsibility for participating in each match to ensure that the pairs play correctly on each court against the pairs indicated in match report. If during the Regular Phase, any changes are detected in any of the matches because there was some confusion when the pairs entered the court, matches that have not been played correctly should be repeated unless the Competition Committee deems them valid. If during the Final or Pre-Final phases of the League, National Playoff or International Master Series Nacionales de Padel is any modification is detected in any of the matches because there was some confusion in the entry of the pairs on the court, the situation will be resolved as follows:

1. If the referee detects the confusion before any of the matches, where the confusion occurred, finish the first set, these will be repeated with the correct pairs.
2. If the referee detects the confusion once the first set of one of the matches where the confusion occurred has been completed, these matches will be fully valid.

The results of the matches in a closed match report and validated by both captains, or automatically by the system, cannot be modified.

If a team wishes to request a referee for a specific match, they must send an e-mail to [info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se) with the request for the organization to rotate it, taking into account that the minimum additional cost of this service will be 100€ and also food, transport and accommodation allowances if necessary.

All information and the development of all phases of the competition will be published in the private website area. All captains, clubs and players will have access to this information on their private website by entering with their password. Players and captains will receive their passwords via an e-mail that will be sent to them by the organization.

All matches will be governed by the Gaming Regulations approved by the International Federation of Padel.

## **16. Postponed**

### **Matches**

Matches may be postponed due to the following circumstances:

**1.- Rain, lack of light, network failure or because other reason not having to do with the participants:** In this case, participants must suspend the match round for 20 minutes awaiting the resolution of the incident that prevents the continuation of the match round.





If after 20 minutes these circumstances persist and it is not possible to guarantee, as established by the regulation, that the match round is played in two turns (see types of game shifts, section 14. Organization of Regular Phase matches), the match will be postponed and should continue with the same result as when it was suspended. In the event of rain, in order for the game to be suspended and postponed, there must be the impossible continuation of the match, and for this it is essential that the ball does not touch the court.

All matches postponed due to these circumstances must be played before the end of the date set for said Regular Phase (all rounds). If the teams do not play the match postponed before the mentioned date, they will score 0 points for both teams and the teams involved will have to pay the courts to the club/host club.

All postponed matches must be notified to the organization by the local captain via e-mail, ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) or the website. In the same statement sent to the organization where it is informed about the postponement of the match round, the new date and time agreed with the rival captain should be communicated and may not postpone a match round that has already been postponed, unless the organization allows it for exceptional reasons.

Once the deadline for the second leg of the Regular Phase has been completed, all matches must have been played. Matches corresponding to both legs of the Regular Phase must be played within the established period and, in the event of being suspended by rain or any other weather cause or as a consequence of it, will be considered lost by the local team, as any team that plays as a venue in external facilities must take into account and anticipate the option of the possibility of rain, because competition cannot be prolonged in time unless the organization deems it appropriate by force majeure.

**2.- Mutual Agreement:** All matches postponed by mutual agreement by the captains of two teams playing any other day different to the established by the official schedule must agree to play 7 days before the date stipulated to end the Regular Phase (both legs), communicating via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) the organization with new date and time. If the teams do not play the match postponed before the mentioned period, they will be marked as 0 points for both and they will have to pay the courts.

You can never have more than one match round postponed. The deadline for playing the postponed match will be 7 days before the stipulated end of the Regular Phase (each legs). Teams with more than one match round unplayed on official date will be penalized with the impossibility of scoring points in a match with a more distant date in time (the closest to the start of the competition) and will have to pay the courts if they do not play the match round. Matches postponed due to meteorological causes will not be considered postponed, since the impossibility of playing is due to force majeure.

All postponed matches must be notified to the organization by the local captain via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) or via the private website area. In the same statement sent to the organization, the new date and time agreed with the rival captain should be



communicated, and may not postpone a match round that has already been postponed, unless the organization, for exceptional reasons, allows it.

**3.- Unilaterally:** Given the impossibility of reaching an agreement with the opponent's team, all teams can unilaterally suspend a Regular Phase match (both legs).

To legally cancel a match without receiving a penalty, the rival team and the organization must be notified 72 hours before the set date and time for the match, except for the first match round in both legs and second leg of the Regular Phase, which will be allowed to communicate 48 hours before. The team that is unable to participate must communicate it by e-mail to the rival team and the organization ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)). The team that can play, will propose a single date on a different weekend to the team that wants to postpone the match round. This proposal will be made by e-mail to the rival captain and the organization ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) within a week from the end of the match day in which the postponement of the match was requested. The proposed date may not coincide on the same day that the team proposes a new date already has an agreed confrontation. This date must be proposed at least 8 days before the end of the first round of the Regular Phase and for at least 8 days before the end of the second round of the Regular Phase, in different shifts and following times:

- Saturdays 09:00 – 18:00
- Sunday 09:00 – 19:00

The response period of the team receiving the proposed date will be five days. This whole process must be triggered with the relevant complaint of the captain who made the proposal to the organization via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) and the affected rival captain must be copied in said e-mail, otherwise the complaint will not be valid. Such complaint shall be made at least 8 days before the first day of the day on which the date was proposed.

Only a maximum of one unilateral postponements will be allowed in the first leg and one in the second leg of the Regular Phase for each participating team.

If the teams have not played the match unilaterally postponed before the stipulated date, the team that postponed unilaterally will have to pay the courts to the host club of the mentioned match.

If the team that cancelled plays at home and cannot host this match due to the unavailability of the courts at their club, they must play the game at the rival team's host club or elsewhere established by the Competition Committee.

You can never have more than two matches postponed, given that unilateral postponement only counts the team that requested it and not the team that was unilaterally postponed.

The deadline for playing the postponed match will be stipulated as the end each leg of the Regular Phase (round trip). Teams with more than two match rounds not played on the



last date of the first or second leg of the Regular Phase, they will be penalized with the impossibility of scoring points in the match of the farthest start date of the competition and will have to pay local clubs the corresponding amounts of the courts if they do not play these matches (see penalty section).

Regular Phase matches scheduled for the final round-trip matchday, cannot be postponed (unless approved for reasons of force majeure, by the organization), so it is advisable to have all matches played before the last weekend of the last round out or round in.

In the knockout phases (Regional/National Playoff and International Master), in case you cannot play any match round for any incident or force majeure, it will be the competition that will determine the appropriate solutions, because the competition cannot stop.

#### **17. Alternate Teams**

Any team that is incorporated into the league as a substitute for another team, either by a casualty, a cancellation or a penalty, will inherit the score and ranking of the team it replaces. The incorporation of any team will enter into action once communicated by the organization to the members of the affected team.

In these cases, the organization can make an adjustment in the score or cancel some of the events played by the withdrawn team if it is considered appropriate for the proper functioning of the competition.

#### **18. Denomination of teams, exchanges of host clubs and right of admission**

Teams that wish to retain their position from the previous edition, replace an affiliated team or change their name and wish to maintain the division of the previous edition, will have to have at least 70% of the same players on their line as in the last edition played. Independent teams can choose their host club at the beginning of each edition, having to play as host clubs throughout the season at the chosen host clubs, unless the host clubs does not fulfil its obligations as such and in that case, the independent team affected by the breach of its host club obligations may report it to the organization. If the organization confirms the breach of the host clubs's obligations, the affected team may request another host club, or the organization will facilitate it as soon as possible.

The organization reserves the right to verify and validate all the names of each team. If any name is not verified and validated , the organization will contact that team to modify it.

The organization reserves the right to admit clubs, teams and players at all times. The organization may expel, at any time in the competition, a club, player, captain or team, if deemed appropriate due to the lack of any point reflected in the regulation.

#### **19. Market of Players and players from club's affiliate teams**

Throughout the competition period, Regular Phase teams may hire players, provided they meet the following requirements:



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- Newly incorporated players: these must be within the parameters and limits set by the SNP regulation (point 10 of the SNP regulation "Requirements for clubs, venues, teams and players", players section).
- Players who come from another team who are already competing in the competition: these can only be taken in by a team if they have not played any game with the home team, that is, at the time when a player has already played a match with a team that can only play in that team until the end of the current season, unless you are from an affiliated team of the same club and meet the requirements listed below:
  - A club with multiple teams can use players from affiliate teams at lower divisions so that a player can play with a top division team from the same club.
  - In each match, only a maximum of three players from affiliate teams can be lined up.
  - When an affiliate player wins 2 matches with a higher division team, they will not be able to go down to the team to which they belonged and will remain in the top division.
  - Players from the affiliate teams can be used at all times of the competition and in all their phases (Regular Phase, National Playoff and International Master Series Nacionales de Padel), except in cases where two teams play each other, of which one of them is affiliated with the other; in such cases, players from the affiliate teams of the teams playing each other cannot be used.

To play in the National Playoff, players must have played at least one match during the Regular Phase of the current edition of the SNP competition with the same team with which they will play in the National Playoff, with the exception of players who participated in the previous SNP edition in the same team playing at least two Regular Phase matches in the last edition, and being players from that team, they could not play the minimum of two matches established by medical leave justified in the current edition. In such case, those players may participate in the National Playoff and other phases, if they are authorized by the Competition Committee. The medical leave shall include a period equal to or greater than 80% of the total regular phase time; if it is less than this period, the participation of the player in question will not be allowed. Medical evidence must be mailed to the organization 72 hours before the match round, to be played by the player who was discharged for the organization to approve.

Players who have played in a team of the current SNP only one match in the Regular Phase and have not been able to play the minimum of matches established by justified medical leave, can participate in the Regional Playoffs and other phases. The medical leave shall include a period equal to or greater than 80% of the total Regular Phase time; if it is less than this period, the participation of the player in question will not be allowed. Medical evidence must be emailed to the organization 72 hours before the match round, to be played by the player who was discharged for the organization to approve.

For a player to be part of one of the teams participating in the National Playoff, they must have played at least one match during the Regular Phase of the current edition of the SNP competition with the same team with which they will play the National Playoff. In a very



exceptional way and for the proper development of the competition, the organization, if it deems appropriate, may vary the minimum of matches played during the Regular Phase, and should be communicated by the organization by e-mail to the captains affected in the mentioned National Playoff 10 days before the date of the mentioned National Playoff.

In order for a player to be part of one of the teams participating in the SNP International Master they must have played a minimum of 1 match during the Regular Phase of the current edition of the SNP competition with the same team with which he will play the SNP International Master. All teams can make a maximum of three new incorporations, considering the following requirements:

- They can never do more than three new incorporations.
- If any new incorporation is made, the maximum number of players in a team will be 13 players.
- New incorporations should always be from players who have not played in any SNP team in that edition and must be within the limits permitted by the SNP regulation (point 10 of the SNP regulation "Requirements for clubs, host clubs, teams and players", players section).
- Only in the case of affiliate teams of a club, a player may play in another team of the same club, provided that it comes from a team that finished the Regular Phase in a lower division.
- For any new incorporation into the SNP International Master, the system will give a score equivalent to the number of points of the fifth player of the team to which it belongs, always having as reference the players enrolled in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel.

The organization may vary if deemed appropriate by the system or by the dates to incorporate players, provided that it is communicated to team captains by e-mail 10 days before, so that they can organize.

The player who has no history in the SNP and has participated in the QSeries Master, must play at least at the same level as the SNP in which he participated in the QMaster of QSeries, a rule that will be applied to the end of the QSeries for both the current SNP season at that time and for the following season.

## **20. Penalties**

Clubs with official teams and captains of independent teams will be responsible for complying with SNP regulations in local and visitor matches, having to answer for their acts or violation thereof.

If any irregularity is detected in any of the teams during the development of the competition in relation to non-compliance with SNP regulation, the organization may sanction the team with the loss of the points obtained in the match or in the matches in which irregularities occurred, ceding those points to the winning teams.





If an infringement is considered serious by the organization, it will have its corresponding sanction and may result in the expulsion of the competition from the offender team, losing the right to reimbursement of the registration. The organization may impose a sanction for any infringement of the SNP regulations that occurred at the present or past, and may go back any that it deems appropriate from the beginning of the current edition, and may invalidate any possibility of prescribing an irregularity or breach of the SNP regulation, if it deems it appropriate.

The International Padel Series Competition Committee will be responsible for solving the various disagreements that may arise over the sanctions, and both players and participating teams must abide by the committee's decision.

**Sanctions established:**

1. If one of the pairs of the match report does not come out, half of the points of this match round will be lost, in other words, the team who missed the pair will lose 4 points (will be 6 points in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) and the other 4 points (will be 6 points in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) in play will be distributed as follows among the four matches played: the highest numbered game in the resume of the match will be worth 3 points and the remaining game will be worth 1 point. If two pairs do not attend a match, they will lose the game 8-0. In the event of a points tie in the match after a lack of a pair, will win the match whose pair number two has won the match. In this case, the offending team will pay the court of the match that was no played (and half of the other two).
2. If it were the case that two teams will perform in the same match with 2 pairs and the two teams do not present themselves to the same pair in the order marked in the march report, that match would be cancelled and the remaining matches would mark as the digital resume. If the two teams presented themselves with 2 pairs, but these pairs did not match the order of the lineup, each team would lose the game in which the pair did not perform 6-0 6-0, and the remaining game to play would score such and as those marked in digital resume.  
These incidents should be reported in the match report in the "Incidents" section.
3. Maximum waiting time for a rival pair will be fifteen minutes from the official time set to played the mentioned match. After the fifteen-minute period, the match will be considered lost by no-show (4 penalty points) and the regulation in this regard indicated in point one of the "Established Penalties" will apply. In the event that this happens with more than one pair, those who do not appear within the established deadline, the match will be considered lost by 8 points to 0. The pairs that play in the 2nd round must present themselves no later than 15 minutes after the official start time of the match and will have another 15 minutes more waiting for unforeseen events to avoid losing the match as no-show, that is,



if the pair appears more than 30 minutes after the official start time of the match, this game will be considered as no-show by said pair.

4. If the two teams do not agree on the date to play the match for any reason, the organization may unilaterally establish the date on which the match should be played, if it deems appropriate, because this case has not been exceptionally regulated by the rules and if that one or both teams do not appear to play, the team or the two teams involved will be sanctioned with the obligation to play as visitors in their next matchday as locals, as well as the loss of 8 points to each sanctioned team.
5. **If a team does not play their match round** (via the system on the private website), they **will have to pay the total amount of the 3 courts to the club where the match was going to be played, and will be considered lost with a result of 8-0**. All this process should be activated with the respective complaint of the club or captain assigned to the organization via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)), the affected rival captain should be in copy of that e-mail indicating the account number where he/she will receive the payment. If the team does not meet the sanction payment within 7 days from the agreed date for the match where it did not play, this team may be expelled from the competition, being replaced by one of the teams that are on the waiting list and losing the full amount of the registration fee without option to be refunded. The affected team or club will have an additional 2 days (so, 9 days from the agreed date) to inform the Competition Committee of the non-compliance with the payment referred to ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)). This penalty will also apply to the finals or League pre-finals.

In order **to be able to legally cancel a match round, both the rival team and the organization must be communicated 72 hours before the agreed date and time limit for the said match, except on the first day of second leg, which will be allowed 48 hours before.**

The team that is no able to play the match round, will have to communicate it via e-mail to both the rival team and the organization ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)). If the teams have not played the match unilaterally postponed before the stipulated date, the team that cancelled the match round will have to pay the total amount of the courts to host club.

**If a team does not attend the scheduled National Playoff or International Master Series Nacionales de Padel**, and does not communicate it in due course (in the case of the National Playoff, it is not possible, because there is not much time between the finished match and the following, will have to communicate during the hour after the end of the match) will have to **pay 200€ penalty to the organization and the match round will be considered lost for a result of 8 to 0**. If the team does not comply with the sanction payment within 7 days of the scheduled date for the match to which it did not play, this team and its players may be expelled from the competition for as



long as the Competition Committee estimates, losing the full registration fee without the refund option.

6. Any team that has played a match with an inadequate lineup will lose 8-0 in favor of the rival team. Among others, the following will be considered as inadequate lineup:

- Have in the lineup any player within the current limitations:
  - As it is an amateur competition, no player who is within SNP's limitations of the RankedIn classifications (dated 01 July 2024) may participate – i.e the **TOP 20 MALE** and **TOP 10 FEMALE** (this limitation will be taken before the beginning of the season by the SNP organization and will not be seen affected by possible variations that may occur after the moment it has been taken as a reference).
  - For player limitations, please see separate document uploaded in private areas of website "Begränsningar spelare".
  - Someone who forms or has formed part of the National Team the year prior to the date of closing of registration of the current edition of SNP.
  - Someone who appears in the World Padel Tour ranking or equivalent professional circuit with more than 0 points (except those players who have point in the WPT ranking because he/she has played in WPT NEXT (and always approved by World Padel Tour)).
  - Any player who has competed in any event of mentioned professional circuit (World Padel Tour) in the last four years prior to the current edition of SNP. That is, from January 1, 2020 onwards, may only play the SNP competition in Grand Slam.
- **Have in the lineup a player within the limitation of players per group that does not apply** (see: "Requirements for clubs, host clubs, teams and players" chapter "players").
- **Have in the lineup a player who does not meet the standard of 35% of matches won in the previous edition in which he participated** (see: "Requirements for clubs, host clubs, teams and players" chapter "players").
- Have in the lineup an underage player.



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- Have in the lineup a player different from the one who seems to play the match, even if he/she is a player of that team.
  - That the same player has played more than one match in the same match round.
7. Teams that do not finish the competition on the stipulated date will be excluded from the National Playoff unless they pay the corresponding amount each day not played away from home to the affected clubs, as well as the possible penalties incurred. Payment must be made before the deadline set by the organization prior to the publication of the National Playoff tables.
  8. After the board publication, teams that do not report to the National Playoff must inform the organization via the website 24 hours in advance before the National Playoff match. Thus, if a team does not attend the match and does not inform the organization within the established deadline, it will be sanctioned with: no-show at the closing ceremony or non-participation in the draws, the loss of the classification for the next edition of the SNP and the loss of the registration fee without a refund option. And to participate in the following edition must pay a fine of 200€.
  9. Once the tables are published, teams that do not attend the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel will have to inform the organization via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) or website private area nine days before the date established for the event or phase of the competition. Thus, if a team does not attend the match and does not inform the organization within the established deadline, it will be sanctioned with: no-show at the closing ceremony or non-participation in the draws, the loss of the classification for the next edition of the SNP and the loss of the registration fee without a refund option. And to participate in the following edition must pay a fine of 200€.
  10. If the same team finds itself unable to agree on two matches, the organization will study the causes and reserves the right to sanction it as it deems appropriate, and may expel the offender team from the competition without the right of the latter to demand the refund of their registration.
  11. You can never have two matchrounds postponed, given that unilateral postponement only counts the team that requested it, not the team for which you unilaterally postponed it. The deadline for playing the postponed match will be 7 days before the stipulated end of each leg of the Regular Phase. Teams with more than two matches not played on the official closing date of the first or the second leg of the Regular Phase, will be penalized with the impossibility of scoring points in those matches and will have to pay local clubs the corresponding amount of the courts. Matches postponed due to meteorological causes will not be considered postponed, since the impossibility of dispute is due to force majeure.



12. All matches postponed by mutual agreement between the captains of two teams facing off the day established by the official schedule that are not regulated by the system, must agree within 8 days before the date stipulated to end each leg of the Regular Phase, communicating via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) the organization informing the new date and time. If the teams do not play the match postponed before the mentioned date, they will have 0 points for both and will have to pay the courts to the host club of the mentioned match round.
13. Players will be required to attend all matches with their identity documents, passport or driving license, presenting them to the captain or head of the rival team if they request them. If any player does not present any of these documents to be identified, he/she must send the rival captain via e-mail ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) or private area of the website one of the identification documents previously exposed within 8 hours from the starting time in which the lack of identification took place (it will be verified by the organization and, it will request confirmation from the rival team if it deems it appropriate). If the documentation is not submitted within the established deadline, the team will be penalized with the loss of 8-0 in that match.
14. A player, captain or host club who is sanctioned by the SNP cannot participate in the competition until the corresponding sanction is done.
15. All teams of which the captain or the person responsible has not completed the resume of the match correctly, in the private area of the website, indicating the three pairs that will play the match fifteen minutes before the agreed time for the match will have a penalty of two points due to lineup after the deadline, which will be subtracted from the general classification in the case of the group phases and subtracted from the match in the case of the knockout phases. The organization recommends that the resume must be completed in the system hours before the start of the confrontation thus avoiding leaving it for the last moment.
16. After each round is over, the home team captain will have to enter the results of the 3 matches (5 matches in the International Master Series Nacionales de Padel) into the match report through the private area of the website, within 24 hours from the time of the match. If the data is not entered by the captain of the local team within the time limit, a penalty will be applied to his/her team with the loss of 1 point in the overall standings.

## **21. Injuries and Accident Insurance**

**By paying the registration, all the players** participating in the International Master of the current edition, **will be insured** if a sports accident occurs exclusively during the participation in the matches of the championship.





## **22. Complaints**

All relevant complaints due to non-compliance with the regulation by any team must always be made by the captain of the affected team and must be made to the organization email ([info@snpadel.se](mailto:info@snpadel.se)) to count as evidence thereof, the affected rival captain must be in copy in that e-mail, otherwise the complaint will not be valid. The team that has not complied with the regulation and the team that made the complaint shall be indicated in that communication, as well as the infringement and the date on which it occurred. If none of these aspects are indicated, the claim will not be valid. Complaints reflected in the occurrences of the digital resume of the match will also be valid, provided that it is made in a timely manner. In the Regular Phase, each captain will have the option of submitting a maximum of 3 claims in time and correct manner. If the claim submitted is favourable to the team that submits it, it would not count in the maximum number of claims per team. In the rest of the phases (Playoffs and International Master) each captain will have the option of submitting a maximum of 3 claims in total between all phases in time and correct manner.

After the complaint has been received by the organization, it will proceed with the process informing the affected part of the deadlines for possible complaints. The Competition Committee may decide on a specific matter or collect the information it deems necessary. Once the resolution has been issued, the parties shall comply with the decision agreed by this Committee.

Any claim to be studied and valid during the Regular Phase must be made before 20h of Monday after the match in which the possible infringement occurred, the affected rival captain must be in copy in the e-mail, otherwise the claim will not be valid. Any claim that is not communicated in a timely manner to the organization will not be valid for the development of the competition. Only allegations that the organization considers to be of greater cause, such as unsportsmanlike attitudes, can be studied by the Competition Committee, intervening in this regard and applying the measures it deems appropriate, although received outside the deadlines established by the regulation, and may reach the expulsion of players, teams or clubs from the competition's host clubs. In the remaining Phases (National Playoff or International Master Series Nacionales de Padel), any complaint must be made prior to the end of the resume of the match.

Any claim regarding a possible error in the generation of groups or crosses in the Regular Phase, National Playoff or International Master Series Nacionales de Padel must be made in good time within 24 hours of official publication. Groups or crossings will be considered officially published from the moment the organization notifies the generation of groups or crossings by e-mail or through the system for clubs or captains, which is why once after the 24 hours of notification of the organization by e-mail or system of clubs or captains, the complaint will not be valid and the publication of the organization will be considered official.

Any complaint in the listings published by the SNP in relation to players excluded from any level must be made before the closing date of the registration of the region in which the player in question participates, otherwise the claim will not be valid and will be given by official the published by the organization.



### **23. Disciplinary entity, referee judges and regulations**

The disciplinary entity will be the Competition Committee and the organizing committee, which will be composed of members chosen by the company that organizes Series Nacionales de Padel.

#### ***SNP Competition Committee***

1. All disciplinary and competition issues that arise will be resolved by the SNP Competition Committee.
2. The SNP Competition Committee is expressly entitled to perform the following functions in relation to competition, regardless of strictly disciplinary functions:
  - a. Assign responsibility for expenses arising from cases of suspension, repetition or continuation of games.
  - b. Cancellation of matches, and may order their repetition, if applicable.
3. Has the power to decide on any figure of the disciplinary entity in all disciplinary and competition matters.
4. In relation to disciplinary matters, the SNP regulation will apply, and if not contemplated by it, the regulation of the International Federation of Padel will apply.
5. Questions rise to interpretation will be resolved by this entity.

#### ***SNP organizing committee***

The SNP Organizing Committee is expressly entitled to perform the following functions in relation to the competition, regardless of strictly disciplinary functions:

- a. Suspend, anticipate or delay matches and determine the date and, if applicable, the place where the matches will take place which, for justified reasons, grounds of force majeure or decision of the competent authorities, may not be held on the calendar day or in own sports facilities.
- b. Solve any issues that affect the final ranking and the resulting situations, such as promotions, relegations, challenges and rankings to participate in other phases of the competition.
- c. All that can affect the competition.

#### ***Referees of SNP:***

They will be allocated by the SNP organization and may appear without notice at any SNP host clubs, where any phase of the competition may be taking place, provided the organization deems it appropriate.



SNP referee judges shall be responsible for imposing and interpreting SNP regulation during events or matches in which they are designated as referees. They will contact a member of the SNP Competition Committee whenever they are carrying out their activity as a referee.

The referee shall be liable to the SNP Competition Committee for all offences included in the regulation.

The referee's decisions are unappealable in relation to the technical rules of the match, without prejudice to possible appeals before the SNP Competition Committee, where appropriate, for transgression of the general rules of sport. The referee also has the right to make decisions about any incident that may occur during the competition, even if it has not been contemplated in the SNP regulation or is contemplated, but must be adapted exceptionally for the proper functioning of the competition.

### ***Regulations***

Participation in this competition implies accepting this regulation and the decisions of the disciplinary entities.

The organization of the International Series Nacionales de Padel reserves the right to modify the regulation in certain areas of play for the proper functioning and evolution of the competition, provided that this modification does not adversely affect any of the other areas in relation to the competition.

During the competition, variations in the regulation may occur, as it is a dynamic and lively competition. All such possible modifications will be updated and introduced into the SNP regulation throughout the current competition, and their application will take effect from the moment they are published on the competition's website. The lack of knowledge of the current regulation does not exempt its compliance, which is why all clubs, captains or players have the regulation permanently updated on the official website in the area of downloads (<http://www.snpadel.se/descargas.cfm>).

### ***24. Suspension or cancellation of the competition:***

The Organizer reserves the possibility to suspend and/or cancel the Competition, without implying any right of compensation to the Club or the Team, with the sole obligation to notify him/her by direct communication to the Club, the team and publication on the SNPs website for any of the following causes:

Due to regulatory modifications affecting or altering the Competition in the terms in which it was designed by the Organizer, as a non-professional competition.

Due to limitations or persistent technical problems, in addition to the organizer's maintainability and control, linked to the technological applications that will support SNP.

Force majeure. Understood as force majeure is any situation that prevents the realization of the competition for reasons unrelated to the organizer, such as, among others:



pandemics, state of alarm declared by the government, changes in the legislation in force that affect the development of the competition.

**25. SNP competition calendar:**

- 1) Regional Regular League: From October to February.
- 2) National Playoff: March.
- 3) International Master Series Nacionales de Padel: June

**26. Individual ranking SNP**

The SNP ranking will be individual and will be calculated for the ranking of all matches in the competition except the Challenge Phase. There will be a ranking for each level (Grand Slam, 1.000, 500 and Future), both regional and national.

The SNP rating is an average between 0 and 100.000 that each player has in each category in which he/she participated and is calculated based on a player's results in a full season, the season being composed of the part of the current edition and the part of the previous edition pending to play in the current edition. The ranking is updated as the rounds or phases of the competition are played, replacing the results of the previous season with those of the current season at the same Phase or round.

**Scoring system:**

- According to the result of each match played will be individually added the score as follows:
  - Match of 3 points won in 2 sets = 6 points for ranking.
  - Match of 3 points won in 3 sets = 5 points for ranking.
  - Match of 3 points lost in 3 sets = 3 points for ranking.
  - Match of 3 points lost in 2 sets = 2 points for ranking.
  - Match played 3 points= 1 extra point for ranking
  - Match of 2 points won in 2 sets = 5 points for ranking.
  - Match of 2 points won in 3 sets = 4 points for ranking.
  - Match of 2 points lost in 3 sets = 2 points for ranking.
  - Match of 2 points lost in 2 sets = 1 point for ranking.
- According to the result of the team, each participant of the same receive the following score that will be accumulated to that obtained by the result of the game:
  - Each player aligned in the winning team of the match: 1 extra point.
  - Each player lined up if there is a 6 point draw in the match: 0.5 extra point.
  - Member of the team that lost: 0 points.

For the score in the ranking, the quotient resulting from the number of points achieved divided by the maximum number of points that can be achieved in the matches (8 points per match) will be taken into account and multiplied by 100,000.



If a player has played 4 games or less, the score quotient in the leaderboard will be calculated by dividing the score obtained by the player between the maximum possible score resulting from the sum of 4 matches. Meaning, if a player played a single match and scored 2.5 points in the maximum 8 possible, the score in this case would be  $(2.5 / 32) \times 100,000 = 7.812,5$  points. If, for example, you continue to play and get the same results in the following three matches, the score will be:  $(10/32) \times 100,000 = 31.250$  points.

Players between the 2nd and 6th divisions of their category will be applied a score reduction coefficient of 5% in the Regular Phase for each division below the first division of its category. From the 7th division, the reducing coefficient to be applied for each division will be 1%, with a maximum reduction limit of 50% to be applied.

#### **SNP INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION CALCULATION SYSTEM**

- For players who have played less than 4 matches, the calculation will be:  
 $(\text{Sum of points earned by player} / 32) \times 100.000 *$
- For players who have played 4 or more matches, the calculation will be:  
 $(\text{Sum of points reached by the player} / \text{maximum number of points played in matches}) \times 100,000 *$

\* Multiplied in Regular Phase matches by the coefficient of reduction of your division, if you do not play in the highest division in your category.

In the case of the Regional Ranking, if there are 2 players tied, the one who is in a higher division within it, prevails. If the tie persists or in the case of the tie in International Ranking, it will untie the most matches played. If the tie persists, it will untie the difference of sets in favor and against the tied players. If the tie persists, it will untie the difference in matches in favor and against tied players. If the tie persists, it will untie the difference between matches in favor and against the teams of the tied players. If the tie persists, it will untie the difference between matches in favor and against the teams of the tied players.

**The Ranking of a player who plays in 2 different divisions of the same category through promotions, relegations or being an affiliated player:** the player will be added all points achieved in both divisions. For example, a player who plays 3 games in the 1st Division Grand Slam and receives 5 points in each match, then goes down to the 2nd division of the Grand Slam and plays 2 games and receives 6 points in each, the score will be:

$$[(5 + 5 + 5 + (6 * 0.95) + (6 * 0.95))] / 40 \times 100.000 = 66.000\text{pts}$$

**Ranking of a player who plays in 2 different categories:** this player will have 2 rankings, one in each category.

#### **RANKING IN CASES OF LACK OF SHOWOUT OF SOME PAIRS:**





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**Ranking in case of no-show of 1 pair:** the 3 pairs score normally, as if there was no absence: The pair that did not appear will be considered as if they lost 6-0 6-0.

**Ranking in the case of no-show of 2 pairs:** the 3 pairs score normally, all 6-0 6-0.

### UPDATE RANKING COMPARED TO PREVIOUS EDITION

Each time a round ends in the Regular Phase, and at the end of the Regional Playoffs, National or International Master Series Nacionales de Padel , the points will be updated with the point defense system obtained in the round or homologous phase of the previous edition. That is, the points obtained in the previous edition will be replaced by those obtained in the current edition.