

**End January 2021
(Circular 8)**

COVID 19 Lockdown#3 and the Winter League 2020/21 Update.

To Club Representatives and Team Contacts

With Lockdown restrictions continuing well into February and there not being any set date when League doubles play can restart, the IDLTL committee have been discussing how we might resolve the completion of the 2020-21 Winter League.

We have considered a number of options which have included:

1. The running of Winter League matches alongside Summer League 2021 matches, to the completion of all matches.
2. Reduce the 2020-21 Winter League from 2 matches to 1 match to be played between all pairs in each division.
3. 2020/21 Winter League to be voided with no further matches and no results or League division positions.

Coming to a decision has not been easy as we, like everyone else, are working without knowing at what date we may be able to resume play. However, we feel that we need a provisional plan to maximise the amount of tennis we may be able to play. We have therefore decided upon the provisional plan outlined below. This of course is dependent on the date when doubles play can resume. We appreciate that we may not be able to implement this plan, and that other action may be needed, however by having a plan and in the hope that resumption of outside doubles play may be in the medium term, we feel we are preparing as best we can.

The Provisional Plan - Option 2

Winter League 2020-21 will now consist of 1 match v each opposition pair instead of 2 matches based on the conditions set out below:

- A. 1st round match results already recorded will count.
- B. If you haven't played the 1st round but have played the 2nd round match v any pair, then this result will count.
- C. If you have played both matches v the same pair then the 2nd result will be voided & not used to determine division position.
- D. Details of fixtures still to be played (based on 1st round order HvA) will be issued together with a playing schedule once we know when League play can recommence.

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We have taken these decisions and produced and circulated this plan now, in the hope that it will maximise the possibility of completing the revised 2020-21 Winter League.

Thanks go to those who have developed this plan and to the committee for its continued support.

If you have any questions or need further information, please refer to the League Administrator at ***idltennisresults@yahoo.co.uk***

Stay safe, Stay well, Stay fit,

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