

## GRADING EVENTS GUIDELINES (Revised from 2022 for 2023)

**Aim: to refine “submitted division” gradings, not attempting to fully grade everyone.**

- “Top Table” style. Div 1 on courts 1-5 and top table is Court #1.  
Div 2 on courts 6-10 and top table is Court #6.  
Div 3 on courts 11-14 and top table is Court #11
- Each round of game(s) is to start when the organiser calls “go” or blows whistle.
- Each pair of teams plays for **17 points**. All games are play all 17 points for practice against all servers.
- **Swap** ends when the **total of scores is 8** i.e. each players has had two serves.
- **After swap, serve to a different opposition partner** (as is usual for a change of ends).  
The first server will be the person who has just received, serving to the player who has just served. *The first server on the new end will serve twice then later finish the game with one serve.*
- When game(s) on court are finished, all players are to move to the wall at the back of the court, so organiser can see which courts are still playing.
- ***Only change courts when told “Move to next court”, with a whistle blow.***
- ***Only start play when told “Go” with another whistle blow.***
- If 2 teams per table 1<sup>st</sup> -↑ (except 1st on top table stays) and 2<sup>nd</sup>-↓ (except 2nd on bottom table stays).
- *If 3 teams per table, round robin: 1<sup>st</sup> -↑ (except 1st on top table stays), 2nd stays; 3<sup>rd</sup>-↓ (except 3rd on bottom table stays).*
- There will be about 6 rounds, at the discretion of the organiser.
- After the 6 rounds, for the finalisation of divisions:
  - **Top 2 teams of Div 2 group (on table 6) to play Bottom 2 teams of Div 1 group (on table 5). If Div 2 team wins, they are promoted to Div 1. If Div 1 team loses, they are relegated to Div 2.**
  - **Top 2 teams of Div 3 group (on table 11) to play Bottom 2 teams of Div 2 group (on table 10). If Div 3 team wins, they are promoted to Div 2. If Div 2 team loses, they are relegated to Div 3.**
- Number of teams in each of three divisions is at discretion of organiser.
- Each team is to report their table number and win or loss for the last game as this is used to determining seedings.