

LDBSA Snooker - Teams, Divisions, Byes, Dates, and Matches.

Number of Teams	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Number of Divisions	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Teams per Division	9	10	10	11	11	12	12	6	6	7	7	7	8	8	5	5	5	5	6	6	6
	9	9	10	10	11	11	12	6	7	7	7	8	8	8	4	5	5	5	5	6	6
								6	6	6	7	7	7	8	5	5	5	6	6	6	6
Teams per Division	10	10	10	12	12	12	12	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Weeks H/A Once	18	18	18	22	22	22	22	10	14	14	14	14	14	14	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Number of Byes	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4	2	2	2	0	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
	2	2	0	4	2	2	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	4	2	2	2	2	0	0
								0	4	4	2	2	2	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0
Percentage of Week	11%	6%	0%	14%	9%	5%	0%	0%	24%	19%	14%	10%	5%	0%	30%	25%	20%	15%	10%	5%	0%

Weeks H/A Once	18	18	18	22	22	22	22	10	14	14	14	14	14	14	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Weeks H/A Twice	36	36	36	44	44	44	44	20	28	28	28	28	28	28	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Weeks H/A * 3	54	54	54	66	66	66	66	30	42	42	42	42	42	42	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Weeks H/A * 1.5	27	27	27	33	33	33	33	15	21	21	21	21	21	21	15	15	15	15	15	15	15

Season Start Date	End Date	25/5/23	Days	266	Wks	38	Christmas	2	Weeks	Cup Rounds	6	Weeks
September 01, 2022	July 06, 2023		March 30, 2023		25/5		May 11, 2023				May 25, 2023	

Matches Played	32	36	36	18	18	22	22	30	20	24	24	24	28	28	26	26	26	26	30	30	30
	32	32	36	14	18	18	22	30	24	24	24	28	28	28	22	26	26	26	26	30	30
	24	27	27	30	30	33	33	30	20	20	24	24	24	28	26	26	26	30	30	30	30
	24	24	27	27	30	30	33								22	22	26	26	26	26	30

Above is an analysis of 18 to 24 teams in a 2, 3, and 4 division format.

The existing 21 team, 3 division format has its numbers highlighted in blue.

In the current case of 21 teams, a 3 division format gives 7 teams in each division; requiring a single 'bye team' each week to make up 3 matches with 1 team not playing.

The number of weeks required to play each other team once at Home and once Away is 14, which includes 2 byes in each division = 1 bye per 7 weeks = 14%

The length of the Snooker League is determined by how many times teams play each other Home and Away - currently this is twice = 28 weeks.

If the season is to start in early September, and end in late May, then about 38 weeks, less 2 for Christmas and 6 for Cup matches, gives a league of around 30 matches .

The number of league matches being played this season is 24 = 28 weeks with 4 byes.

Now compare this situation with other alternatives, and discuss ;-)