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1. Introduction

The **Series Nacionales de Pádel (SNP)** are a competition intended to promote amateur padel. The competition is played in a team format and comprises a men's category and a women's category. In both categories there will be different levels or groups (Grand Slam, 1000, 500 and Future, ordered from the highest to the lowest competitive level), which will in turn be subdivided into divisions.

Any matter not covered by this Rulebook or that gives rise to differing interpretations will be resolved by the Series Nacionales de Pádel organisation.

2. Phases of the competition

The SNP 2026-27 season is structured into the following phases:

2.1 Fase Regular

A regional league system in which teams play **home and away** against the other teams in their division within their zone. The zone may be determined by provinces, distances between clubs or other criteria established by the organisation to facilitate travel.

2.2 Regional Playoffs

Once the Fase Regular has ended, the teams from each zone will play the Regional Playoffs, provided that there is a sufficient number of teams, as determined by the organisation. The qualified teams may gain access to the Master Nacional as established by the organisation, depending on the number of teams registered in each category and group.

2.3 Master Nacional

A national knockout phase in which the teams qualified from the Fase Regular and the Regional Playoffs compete. The winning teams of the Master Nacional obtain the place for the SNP Master Internacional.

Participation requirement: every player must have played **at least 1 match** during the Fase Regular in the current edition in order to take part in the Master Nacional. The Competition Committee may consider exceptions for justified medical leave or force majeure.



2.4 SNP Master Internacional

An international phase played by the winning teams of the Master Nacional of each country. **The SNP Master Internacional is played in a format of 5 pairs per fixture**, so each team must have a minimum of **12 players** registered in order to take part. Participation is not compulsory; in the event of withdrawal, the place will pass to the runner-up of the Master Nacional, and if they too decline to accept it, the places will be drawn among the remaining participants of the Master Nacional of the same group or level.

SNP Master Internacional format:

1. The qualified teams of each category are divided into **groups** (mini-league), and teams from other SNP countries may be included.
2. The SNP Master Internacional is played in a format of 5 pairs, so each fixture awards 12 points: pairs 1 and 2 are worth 3 points each and pairs 3, 4 and 5 are worth 2 points each.
3. The winners of each group qualify for the knockout phase of their category.
4. Matches are played to the best of 3 sets with **Golden Point** at every deuce. Tie-break to 7 in all sets. In knockout fixtures already decided without a third set having started, the third set is replaced by a **super tie-break to 11 points**.

The organisation may increase the number of places and/or invite winning teams from other events if it considers it appropriate, giving prior notice.

3. Registrations

3.1 Registrations

Registration is carried out **individually**.

A player is considered registered once they have completed the registration form at www.snpgalaxy.com and have made payment within the period established for their zone.

Registrations will be carried out through the SNP private web area during the period established in the official calendar. The registration fee is as follows:

- Fase Regular: 35 € per player (VAT included), which includes:
 1. Match calendar and organisation of the competition.
 2. A minimum of 8 matches per registered team during the Fase Regular (4 at home and 4 away). There may be teams that, exceptionally and because they are in divisions of 4 teams, play at least 6 fixtures.



3. Private web area for managing teams, signings, results and communication.
 4. Prize draws during the competition for both players and captains.
 5. The possibility of qualifying for the Master Nacional and the SNP Master Internacional.
 6. **Welcome Pack SNP Galaxy Premium** with exclusive advantages and benefits for participants.
- **Regional Playoffs:** Price pending confirmation by the organisation. The cost will be applied solely on the basis of the fixtures actually played by each team (VAT included).
 - **Master Nacional:** included in the Fase Regular fee (at no additional cost).
 - **SNP Master Internacional:** 20 € per player (VAT included)

4. Rights and obligations of Clubs or Venues

4.1 Rights of Clubs or Venues

1. To receive from the organisation all the tools and support necessary for the proper organisation of the fixtures played at their facilities.
2. To appear published on the official SNP website as an official club or venue of the competition during the current season.
3. To receive the full payment corresponding to the hire of courts and official balls for each fixture played at their facilities, in accordance with the Rulebook.
4. To access the club's private web area to consult calendars, results, assigned teams and communications from the organisation.
5. To enjoy the benefits of the **Welcome Pack SNP Galaxy Premium** assigned to official clubs.

4.2 Obligations of Clubs or Venues

1. To have a **minimum of 2 courts** available for playing fixtures in a 3-pair format.
2. To guarantee the **exclusive reservation** of the courts necessary for all the fixtures of the teams for which they act as home venue.
3. To provide the **official ball** of SNP in all fixtures (see Cap. 11).
4. To ensure that the facilities meet the technical, safety and cleanliness conditions appropriate for playing official matches.
5. To comply with the standards of sporting conduct and respect required by the organisation of official clubs.



6. To respond to the organisation's communications in a timely and proper manner.

Compliance with Swedish regulations on safety and hygiene in sports facilities, as well as any administrative authorisation required for holding padel competitions in Swedish territory.

Repeated failure to comply with these obligations may result in the loss of official club status and the loss of the right to receive the amounts corresponding to the fixtures played (see Cap. 20 Sanctions).

5. Rights and obligations of independent teams

An **independent team** is one that registers in SNP without being affiliated to an official SNP club. These teams choose a playing venue from among the official clubs in their zone.

5.1 Rights of independent teams

1. To register and take part in SNP on equal terms with Club teams.
2. To choose their playing venue from among the official clubs in the zone, subject to availability.
3. To receive all the management tools (private web area, support, communications) that the organisation makes available to the teams.
4. To enjoy the Welcome Pack SNP Galaxy Premium assigned to the team.
5. To request a change of venue in the event of failure by their current venue to comply with its obligations (see Cap. 18).

5.2 Obligations of independent teams

1. To fully comply with the SNP Rulebook.
2. To make payment of the registration for the Fase Regular and, where applicable, for the subsequent phases (Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional) within the established deadlines.
3. To provide the **line-up** for each fixture within the regulatory deadline (see Cap. 15).
4. To notify the organisation immediately of any incident relating to the venue, players or calendar.
5. To behave in a sporting and respectful manner towards opponents, clubs, referees and the organisation.



6. Rights and obligations of Club teams

A **Club team** is one affiliated to an official SNP club, which takes on the role of venue for the team.

6.1 Rights of Club teams

1. The same rights as independent teams.
2. To have their playing venue guaranteed at the club to which they are affiliated throughout the season.
3. Access to the **affiliated teams** of the same club, on the terms provided for in Cap. 19.

6.2 Obligations of Club teams

1. The same obligations as independent teams.
2. To ensure compliance by their venue club with the obligations set out in Cap. 4.
3. To coordinate with their club to guarantee the availability of courts on each matchday as home team.

7. Rights and obligations of captains

The **captain** is the person designated by the team to act as its official representative before the organisation and before the other teams during the season.

7.1 Rights of the captain

1. Access to the captain's private web area to manage the team, the squad, the line-ups, the results and the communications.
2. To receive official information from the organisation on the calendar, prize draws, Rulebook amendments and relevant communications.
3. To request date changes, player registrations and de-registrations and checks from the organisation within the established deadlines.
4. To request the presence of a referee at a particular fixture, bearing the corresponding cost.
5. To request authorisation for a **coach** for their team on the terms of Cap. 15.

7.2 Obligations of the captain

1. To comply with and ensure their team's compliance with the SNP Rulebook.



2. To inform the organisation of the day and time slot chosen by their team as home team before the close of registration.
3. To agree with the opposing captain the exact date of each fixture within the deadlines provided for in Cap. 14.
4. Confirm the **line-up** of their team in the system **15 minutes before** the start of each fixture (see Cap. 15).
5. As home captain, enter the **results** of the fixture in the private web area within the **24 hours** following its conclusion.
6. As away captain, **validate the results** within the 48 hours following the end of the fixture.
7. Verify the identity of all players of the opposing team by means of official documentation before the start of the fixture.
8. Ensure that the team has the necessary players and the required documentation for each fixture.
9. Attend to the organisation's communications in a timely and proper manner.
10. Behave in a sporting and respectful manner towards players, captains, clubs, referees and the organisation.

Failure to comply with the captain's obligations may entail the sanctions set out in Cap. 20.

8. Rights and obligations of players

Players' rights

1. Access the player's private web area to consult their matches, ranking, team and communications.
2. Receive a Welcome Pack and take part in the prize draws and promotions run by the organisation during the season.
3. Request clarifications from the organisation on any aspect of the competition affecting their participation.

8.2 Players' obligations

1. Comply with the SNP Rulebook.
2. Attend fixtures with an **official identification document** (national ID card, passport, driving licence or equivalent document of the country) and present it to the opposing captain when requested.



3. Comply with the rules of sporting conduct on court, at the host club's facilities and towards referees and opponents.
4. Abide by the decisions of the referee and the organisation.
5. Immediately notify their captain of any incident affecting their participation in a fixture.

Should a player be unable to present the documentation during the fixture, they shall have a period of **8 hours** from the official start time to send the document through the private web area. If, once that period has elapsed, the documentation has not been provided, the team shall be sanctioned with the loss of the fixture (see Cap. 20).

9. Rights and obligations of the SNP organisation

Functions and obligations of the organisation

Organise and manage all phases of the SNP competition in Sweden in accordance with this Rulebook.

1. Publish and keep up to date the **official calendar** of the season in the public and private areas of the website.
2. Confirm the registration of clubs, teams, captains and players before the start of the competition.
3. Resolve the incidents, claims and queries raised by clubs, teams, captains and players within the periods laid down by the Rulebook.
4. Apply the sanctions set out in Cap. 20 when breaches occur.
5. Guarantee the traceability of results, standings, rankings and market movements.
6. Appoint the **referees** and members of the **Competition Committee, Disciplinary Committee** and **Official Ball Commission**.
7. Officially communicate any amendment to the Rulebook with adequate notice.

9.2 Powers of the organisation

1. **Right of admission** over clubs, teams, captains and players at all times.
2. **Verification and validation** of team names.
3. **Modification of the calendar** for justified reasons, communicating the changes to captains with as much notice as possible.
4. **Unilateral resolution** of incidents not expressly contemplated by the Rulebook, always within the principles of rulebook fidelity, sporting fairness and good faith.



5. **Expulsion from the competition** of clubs, teams, captains or players who incur serious or repeated infringements.

Note: the organisation's power of unilateral resolution regarding the calendar (e.g. when two teams fail to reach agreement on the date) is an organisational mechanism distinct from the unilateral postponement between teams, removed in this edition (see Cap. 16).

10. Requirements for clubs, venues, teams and players

10.1 Clubs or venues

To take part as an official club or venue in the SNP, the facilities must meet the following requirements:

1. Have a **minimum of 2 padel courts** suitable for playing fixtures in a 3-pair format.
2. The courts must be in proper technical, safety and cleanliness condition, in accordance with the specifications of the International Padel Federation (FIP).
3. Guarantee the **availability of court time** during the official competition slots.
4. Provide the **official SNP ball** (see Cap. 11) in all fixtures played as home venue.
5. Have support staff available during fixtures.

The facilities must comply with the administrative authorisations required in Swedish territory for the holding of amateur sporting competitions..

10.2 Teams

1. Each team must be made up of a **minimum of 9 players, with no maximum limit** of registered players.
2. To take part in the **SNP Master Internacional**, which is played in a 5-pair format, each team must have a minimum of **12 players** registered.
3. All players of the team must meet the individual requirements set out in section 10.3.
4. Each team must appoint a **captain** responsible to the organisation (see Cap. 7).
5. Teams may be of three types:
 - **Independent teams** — not affiliated to an official club; they choose a venue from among official clubs.
 - **Club teams** — affiliated to an official SNP club that acts as venue.
 - **Feeder teams** — additional teams of the same club, under the terms of Cap. 19.



10.3 Players

Any amateur player correctly registered in a team of the competition may take part. There apply **three limitations**:

- **A.** Limitation on players who may not take part.
- **B.** Limitation by group (Grand Slam, 1,000, 500 and Future).
- **C.** Limitation by match history (level labels).

10.3.1 Limitation A — General exclusions

As this is an amateur competition, **no player may take part** who falls within any of the following cases:

Limitation by national ranking

For the purposes of participation and category assignment, the Swedish national RankedIn ranking in force as at 29 June 2026 shall be taken as reference. Standings and categories shall be determined in accordance with that ranking, without subsequent changes affecting participation or the category assigned during the competition.

Men's category:

1-20 Men's category: 1-20 excluded (may not play); 21-99 Grand Slam; 100-850 level 1,000; 851-2000 level 500. excluded (may not play)

21-99 Grand Slam

100-850 1000

851-2000 500.

Women's category:

1-10, excluded (may not play)

11-70, Grand Slam

71-220 Women's category: 1-10 excluded (may not play); 11-70 Grand Slam; 71-220 level 1,000; 221-850 level 500. 1000

221-850 500.

The limitations may be consulted on the RankedIn website..

Limitations by FIP points (International Padel Federation)

Applicable to the current edition:

Men's category: - Players with **3 FIP points or more** → excluded from the competition. - Players with **1-2 FIP points** → may only play in Grand Slam.



Women's category: - Players with **11 FIP points or more** → excluded from the competition. - Players with **1-10 FIP points** → may only play in Grand Slam.

Additional rule (players without FIP points): any player without FIP points who has played in any event of the FIP circuit in the **last 4 years** (from 1 January 2023 onwards) may only participate in the Grand Slam category. The only exception is if the player started the competition in Grand Slam in accordance with the rules and was relegated with the team, without the possibility of playing in a different team in lower categories.

Other grounds for exclusion

1. Having been part of the **National Team** of Sweden in the edition played prior to the first registration deadline.
2. **Minimum age 18 years**, reached at the time of playing (not before coming of age).
3. Being **under a current sanction** by SNP and not having served the sanction.
4. In any case that requires interpretation or that is not covered by the Rulebook, the organisation will decide whether the player may participate.

10.3.2 Limitation B — By group

Each group applies the following limitations to ensure competitive balance:

- **Grand Slam:** all players who comply with Limitation A may play.
- **1,000 / 500 / Future:** see Limitations table (section 10.3.1).

Any participation by a player outside their corresponding limitation is considered **improper line-up** and will be sanctioned (see Cap. 20).

10.3.3 Limitation C — Level labels

At the start of each edition, the organisation assigns to each registered player a **level label** for the whole season according to their history. **A player may not be fielded at a level lower than that of their label.** The label does not change during the season.



Assignment criteria

Situation	Label assignment
New player or player with 0-2 matches in the previous edition	Future (the previous edition with 0-2 matches counts as non-participation; if they also did not participate in the one before, an additional level is dropped, and so on)
Player with a history of ≥ 3 matches in the same group (previous edition)	The group where they accumulated those matches, except for modifications due to team promotion/relegation
Player from a promoted team that won its division in the Fase Regular or Playoff with $> 35\%$ of matches won	Label of the group above the one won
Player from a promoted team that won its Division or Playoff with $\leq 35\%$ of matches	Label of the group where they won the division or Playoff (without moving up)
Player from a team promoted from Grand Slam	Keeps Grand Slam (there is no higher group)
Player from a relegated	Label of the group below the one their team is relegated to
Player from a team that remains and won $> 35\%$ of matches	Label of the same group
Player from a team that remains and won $\leq 35\%$ of matches	Label of the group below

Note: SNP Master Nacional and Master Internacional fixtures **do not count** towards the calculation of labels.

Precedence and exceptions

1. When a player accumulates a **history of ≥ 3 matches** in the same group, their SNP label **prevails** over any other limitation (except the total exclusions in section 10.3.1).
2. If a player participated in breach of the rules in their first tournament, they may not rely on this precedence.
3. Detection of a mislabelled player (except duplicate identity):
 - The player is **withdrawn** from the team if they play in a category lower than their real label.
 - They may register with another team of the appropriate level.
 - The team will not be sanctioned if it does not field the player again in a lower category.



4. Claims regarding labels are channelled according to the general procedure (Cap. 22).
5. A label detected as erroneous once the Fase Regular has ended will keep the label initially assigned.

11. Official ball

11.1 Official ball 2026-27

The official ball of the Series Nacionales de Pádel for the **2026-27** edition will be the **LÖK SNP**. All fixtures of all phases of the competition (Fase Regular, Regional Playoffs, SNP Master Nacional and Master Internacional) will be played with the official ball.

11.2 Conditions of use

1. During the **Fase Regular**, the balls must be **new in each match**: the 3 official cans (one for each match of the fixture) will be opened before the start of each corresponding match.
2. During the **Regional Playoffs, SNP Master Nacional and Master Internacional**, it will be the **referee** who determines whether the balls are in optimal condition for the next match or whether new balls should be provided, and in some cases the same balls may be used in more than one consecutive match.
3. The local host club must provide a **new can for each match** to be played, regardless of whether the fixture is played in one or two shifts.

11.3 Sanctioning regime for non-use of the official ball

Applicable sanctioning system

When the host club does not provide the official ball, two mutually **exclusive corrective measures** may be applied (the application of one excludes the other):

1. Corrective measure “SNP Official Ball Commissioner”

The organisation will appoint a number of people in each zone who will form the **SNP Official Ball Commissioner**, who, together with the official referees and delegates of the competition, may attend any fixture without prior notice during the Fase Regular to verify compliance. If the Commissioner, the referees or the delegates detect non-compliance, the offending host club will be subject to the sanction of receiving **only half of the amount corresponding to the rental of courts and new balls** that it would normally charge in that fixture, with the club assuming this reduction immediately.



If the sanction is not made effective in due time and form, the offending host club may be expelled from the competition without the option of a refund of the registration, and the organisation will seek an alternative host club for the affected teams.

The amounts resulting from the reduction applied will be used to offset the cost of the visiting team's next fixture, the team to which the official ball was not provided. If a host club incurs **a second time** in the non-compliance, it may be expelled from the competition.

2. Corrective measure “In Situ”

This measure will be applied immediately by the two teams that are going to play the fixture without the official ball. The teams will pay **only 50%** of the cost of courts and new balls that would normally correspond to them, instead of the full amount of a normal Fase Regular fixture.

Application procedure: 1. The teams pay the host club 50% of the usual cost of courts and new balls. 2. The fixture is played entirely normally and will be valid for all purposes. 3. The local or visiting captain will notify the incident to the organisation via email to info@snpadel.se. 4. The organisation will warn the club of the consequences in the event of a repeat offence (including the possible migration of the teams to another host club).

If the teams pay the full amount of the fixture, they may not subsequently claim the application of the sanction to the host club, since the sanction is executed at the very moment of payment.



12. Competition format

12.1 Format of the fixtures

Each fixture of the national phases (Fase Regular, Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional) is played in a **3-pair format**: each team presents 6 players organised into 3 pairs, who will face the 3 opposing pairs, matched up in order (Pair 1 vs Pair 1, Pair 2 vs Pair 2, Pair 3 vs Pair 3).

The **SNP Master Internacional** is played in a **5-pair format** (specific regulation in Cap. 12.5).

12.2 Scoring of each fixture

Match	Points at stake
Pair 1 vs Pair 1	3 points
Pair 2 vs Pair 2	3 points
Pair 3 vs Pair 3	2 points
Fixture total	8 points

In all phases with a league system (Fase Regular, group phases in SNP Master Nacional and Master Internacional), priority will be given to the **total sum of points** obtained in all the matches of the phase.

12.3 Match rules

1. All matches will be played to the **best of 3 sets**.
2. All deuce points (40-40) will be resolved by **Golden Point**. No advantages are applied in any game.
3. Each set will be decided with a **tie-break to 7 points with a difference of 2** in the event of a 6-6 tie.
4. When a knockout fixture is already decided and there are matches left to finish without a third set started, that third set will be replaced by a **super tie-break to 11 points with a difference of 2**.
5. All matches will be governed by the **Rules of Play approved by the International Padel Federation (FIP)**, in matters not provided for by this Rulebook.



12.4 Ranking system

Teams are ranked in each division by: 1. **Total points** added up in the phase. 2. **Head-to-head** between teams tied on points. 3. **Difference between sets won and lost** between tied teams. 4. **Difference between matches won and lost** between tied teams. 5. **Difference between sets won and lost** across the phase as a whole. 6. **Difference between matches won and lost** across the phase as a whole.

12.5 Master Internacional SNP — 5-pair format

The Master Internacional SNP is played in a **5-pair format**: each team fields 10 players organised into 5 pairs. Specific scoring:

Match	Points at stake
Pair 1 vs Pair 1	3 points
Pair 2 vs Pair 2	3 points
Pair 3 vs Pair 3	2 points
Pair 4 vs Pair 4	2 points
Pair 5 vs Pair 5	2 points
Fixture total	12 points

In order to take part in the Master Internacional SNP, each player must have played at least **1 match** during the Fase Regular in the current edition. Each team may make a maximum of **3 new additions** for the Master Internacional, in accordance with the provisions of Cap. 19.



13. Structure of divisions and levels

13.1 Categories and levels

The SNP are organised into **two categories** (men's and women's), each divided into **four levels** or groups:

Level	Description
Grand Slam	Highest competitive level
1000	High level
500	Medium level
Future	Introductory level

Within each level, **divisions** are established (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) according to the number of teams registered and their distribution across zones.

13.2 Assignment of teams to levels and divisions

The level and division of each team are determined on the basis of:

1. The **greatest player limitation** among the team's members, according to the SNP labelling system set out in Cap. 10.3.
2. The **team's history** in previous editions (promotions, relegations, retention of place).
3. The **applicable national and internal rankings** apply.
4. The **geographical distribution** and the number of teams registered in each zone.

13.3 Promotions and relegations

At the end of each season:

1. The champion team of each division **is promoted** automatically to the immediately higher level, save for place limitations at the destination level.
2. The bottom-placed team of each division **is relegated** to the lower level.
3. The organisation may adjust these movements according to the number of teams registered at the start of the following season.



13.4 Coincidence restrictions

Two teams from the same club registered in the same division **may not coincide**. The organisation will apply this condition in the initial draw, in the addition of new teams and in movements arising from promotions and relegations.

14. Organisation of Fase Regular fixtures

14.1 Notification of the home schedule

Before the close of registration for each zone, captains must notify, through the private web area, the **chosen day and time** for playing their fixtures as the home team. Once confirmed, that schedule will be maintained throughout the season.

Valid days and time slots: fixtures will be played on **Saturdays and Sundays, from 09:00 to 19:00**. The organisation may adjust these slots in specific zones and will notify the affected captains officially by email.

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14.2 Modification of dates

Once a date has been set in the system, captains may modify it **by mutual agreement** within the same matchday or postpone it in compliance with the requirements of Cap. 16. The procedure is:

1. The visiting captain sends a **change proposal** through the private web area (fixtures section).
2. The home captain **accepts or rejects** the proposal. If it is not accepted, the date initially agreed will prevail.
3. If the home captain accepts the proposal with **less than 72 hours** remaining before the new date, the modification will not be valid and the fixture must be played on the original date. If none of the players is able to attend, this will be notified and the walkover will be recorded on the platform.

14.3 Court booking

The home team captain will be responsible for ensuring, with the club venue, the **exclusive booking** of the courts needed for each agreed fixture. If a fixture cannot be played because the club or the home captain has not made the booking correctly, the home team will lose the fixture 0-8.



14.4 Lack of agreement between captains

When two teams fail to reach agreement on the date of a fixture, the organisation may **unilaterally set the date and time** of the fixture as an organisational unblocking mechanism. If one or both teams fail to appear, the sanctions provided for in Cap. 20 will apply.

This power of the organisation **does not constitute a unilateral postponement between teams**, which is abolished in the present edition (see Cap. 16).

14.5 Playing-turn system

The home captain may organise the fixture in **one or two turns** of play:

Single turn — The three matches of the fixture are played simultaneously.

Double turn — The fixture is played in two turns, subject to the following conditions: 1. In the first turn, 1 or 2 matches may be played. 2. In the second turn, the remaining matches will be played (2 matches if the first turn had 1; 1 match if the first turn had 2). 3. The matches of the second turn may begin as courts become free, provided that the start is not delayed by more than **60 minutes** with respect to the official time of the fixture if they are played on different courts. If they are played on the same court as a match from the first turn, they must wait for its completion. 4. The pairs of the second turn must present themselves at most **15 minutes** after the official start time of the fixture, with an additional margin of 15 minutes for unforeseen circumstances.

Once a match has started on a court, it must be completed on the same court, save by agreement of the 4 players or by reason of force majeure (weather- or court-related).

14.6 Fixtures not played within the deadline

Fixtures that have not been played before the end of the Fase Regular deadline (first or second leg) will be examined by the Competition Committee, which may declare them **void** (without scoring) or **in favour of one of the teams** according to the circumstances and responsibilities established.

If a team does not play 2 fixtures in a phase (first or second leg), or withdraws with more than half of its fixtures pending, all its fixtures in that phase will be voided and all opposing teams will score 0 points in the fixtures against that team.



15. Conduct of fixtures

15.1 Composition and order of the pairs

Each team fields 6 players organised into 3 pairs, identified as Pair 1, Pair 2 and Pair 3. The order is assigned automatically by the system according to the **sum of SNP ranking points** of the two members of each pair:

1. **Pair 1:** the pair with the highest sum of points of the two members.
2. **Pair 2:** the second highest sum.
3. **Pair 3:** the third highest sum.

The captain may not manually alter this order. He may substitute a player at any time; after the substitution, the system will recalculate the order of the pairs. In the event of a tie on points between two pairs:

1. First shall appear the pair with the player who has the better **individual ranking**.
2. If the tie persists, it is decided by the two players with the **worst individual ranking** of each pair.

The ranking points assigned by the system at the time of the line-up are valid for all purposes, whether or not they are up to date.

15.2 Closing of line-ups

15 minutes before the official start of each fixture, both captains must have their team's line-up **defined, confirmed and complete** in the digital match sheet of the fixture, accessible from the private web area.

If a captain does not have the line-up closed within the deadline, the **sanction for line-up submitted out of time: -2 points on the general standings** (see Cap. 20).

If a captain has technical problems entering the line-up into the system, they may send it by email to info@snpadel.se before the regulatory deadline, clearly indicating the order of the pairs and the first and last name of each player. The email must be recorded as received by the organisation at least 15 minutes before the official start of the fixture. Any line-up sent by email will be studied by the organisation and validated afterwards.

Recommendation: the organisation advises closing the match sheet in the system **24 hours in advance** to avoid incidents.

15.3 Identity verification

Before the start of the matches, both captains must verify the identity of the opposing team's players by means of official documentation (Swedish National Identity Document (personnummer / ID-kort), valid passport or any other official identification document issued by the Swedish authorities).



If a player does not provide documentation, they have **8 hours** from the start of the fixture to send it to the organisation through the private web area. If the documentation has not been provided once that period has elapsed, the team will be sanctioned with the loss of the fixture by **8-0**.

15.4 Balls and payments prior to the fixture

1. The home captain will show the **3 new tubes** of official balls (LÖK SNP) that will be used in each of the 3 matches of the fixture.
2. The visiting captain will pay the home captain the amount corresponding to the court and ball hire, and the home captain will transfer it to the host club.
3. If one of the teams is missing one of the three pairs, the offending team will pay in full the amount for the match not played.
4. Both captains will introduce the opposing pairs who will face each other, ensuring that the pairing matches the digital match sheet.

15.5 Coach

Each team may have a **coach** authorised by the organisation. The coach is the only person who, without being a player of the team or captain, is empowered to give instructions to the team members during the fixtures.

- The authorisation request is made via email to the organisation, indicating the coach's first name, last name, identity document, email and mobile number.
- The authorisation will not be official until the express confirmation of the organisation.
- You may only have **one coach per team** (the same coach may act for several teams).
- During the matches, instructions may only be given at the changes of ends and with the players off the court.
- Any unsporting behaviour by the coach may lead to the immediate cessation of their authorisation.

15.6 Order of entry onto the court

The order of entry onto the court will be **Pair 1, Pair 2 and Pair 3**. This order may be modified if both captains agree.

15.7 Entering results

Once the fixture has finished:

1. The **home captain** enters the results of the 3 matches in the digital match sheet through the private web area, within a maximum period of **24 hours** from the official time of the fixture. If they fail to do so, the sanction of **-1 point** on the general standings will be applied (see Cap. 20).



2. The **visiting captain** validates the results within a maximum period of **48 hours**. If they do not respond within that period, the results will be considered automatically validated.
3. If after 24 hours the home captain has not entered the results, the visiting captain may enter them.
4. Once the match sheet has been confirmed or the validation period has elapsed, **no claim may be made** regarding the fixture, except for the claims-period exception for "results not entered within 24h" set out in Cap. 22.

15.8 Confusion in the pairings

If during a fixture confusion in the pairings is detected (pairs playing on the wrong courts):

1. **Before** any of the affected matches begins, the matches will be replayed with the correct pairs.
2. If the confusion is detected **once started** an affected match, that match will be fully valid.

15.9 Injuries during the fixture

If a player withdraws during a match due to injury or another reason, the match will continue to be considered lost by the withdrawing pair, completing on the match sheet the necessary outstanding games in favour of the opposing pair until the match is deemed finished.

15.10 Referee in the Fase Regular

Any team may request the presence of a referee at a specific fixture, sending the request to info@snpadel.se. The additional cost will be 60 € (plus applicable taxes) and will be understood as formalised after the payment confirmed by the organisation.

15.11 Master Nacional and Master Internacional SNP

During the Master Nacional and the Master Internacional SNP:

1. The captains must appear at the referee's table **15 minutes before** the official time with the players' identity documents.
2. The **6 players** (or 10 in the case of the Master Internacional SNP) must be at the club 15 minutes before the official time.
3. The playing turns will be determined by the **referee** according to court availability.
4. The system of call-ups, line-ups and results will be identical to that of the Fase Regular.
5. The captains must communicate the results to the referee immediately upon finishing the fixture. If they fail to do so within a period of **10 minutes**, the fixture will be considered lost for both teams, with disqualification from the competition.



16. Postponement of fixtures

16.1 Permitted mechanisms

A Fase Regular fixture may only be postponed for two reasons, described below.
Unilateral postponement between teams is not permitted.

16.1.1 Force majeure (rain, lack of light, net breakage or another cause beyond the participants)

When one of these circumstances arises during the fixture, the participants will suspend the match for **20 minutes** while waiting to be able to resolve the incident. If after those 20 minutes it is not possible to resume and, in accordance with the rulebook, the match cannot be guaranteed to be played in two turns (Cap. 14.5), the match will be postponed, and must be resumed with the same result as the scoreboard reflected when it was suspended.

In the case of rain, for a match to be suspended and postponed the real impossibility of playing must be demonstrated, it being essential that the ball does not bounce correctly on some part of the court.

16.1.2 Mutual agreement between captains

The captains of both teams may agree to the postponement of a fixture provided that the requirements of this chapter are met. The agreement must be formalised in writing through the private web area or by email to info@snpadel.se, communicating the new date and time with the opposing captain in copy.

16.2 Rules common to all postponements

1. **There may never be more than 2 postponed fixtures** per team.
2. The **deadline** to play a postponed fixture will be that stipulated as the **end of the Fase Regular (first or second leg)** in the official calendar.
3. Teams with **more than 2 matchdays not played** on the official date will be sanctioned with the **impossibility of scoring points** in the fixture furthest away in time (the one closest to the start of the competition), and must pay the home clubs **120€** in the event that they do not play said fixtures (see sanctions section).
4. The Fase Regular fixtures scheduled for the **last matchday** (first or second leg) **may not be postponed**, except for force majeure expressly approved by the organisation. It is recommended to have all fixtures played before the last weekend of each matchday.
5. A fixture already postponed **cannot be postponed again**, except for exceptional authorisation from the organisation.
6. All postponements must be notified to the organisation by the home captain via email or the private web area, indicating the new agreed date and time.



16.3 Knockout stages

In the knockout stages (**Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional and Master Internacional SNP**), in the event that a fixture cannot be played due to an incident or force majeure, it will be the **competition organisation** that determines the appropriate solutions. The competition will not be halted.

16.4 Unilateral postponement — Removed

Unilateral postponement between teams is **deleted** from this rulebook. Any previous reference to this concept in earlier versions ceases to have effect.

17. Substitute teams

When a team withdraws during the season (due to retirement or sanction) and a substitute team is incorporated in its place, the incoming team **will inherit the score and the standings** of the replaced team. The incorporation will be effective once the organisation communicates it to the teams of the affected division.

The organisation may make **adjustments to the score** or **annul previous matchdays** of the replaced team if it considers it necessary to preserve the correct functioning of the competition.

18. Team naming, venue changes and right of admission

18.1 Choice of venue

Teams will choose their venue at the start of each edition and must keep it as their home venue throughout the season, unless the venue fails to meet its obligations (see Cap. 4). In that case, the affected team may report this to the organisation; if the organisation confirms the breach, the team may request a change of venue.

18.2 Naming

The organisation reserves the right to verify and validate the names of each team. If a name is not validated, the organisation will contact the captain for it to be amended.

18.3 Right of admission

The organisation reserves the **right of admission** over clubs, teams, captains and players at any time during the season. It may expel from the competition any club, team, captain or player that breaches the rulebook or engages in conduct contrary to the sporting spirit of the SNP.



19. Transfer market and affiliated-team players

19.1 Transfer market during the Fase Regular

During the Fase Regular period, teams may sign players provided the following requirements are met:

Newly signed players

They must fall within the parameters and limits established by the SNP rulebook (Cap. 10.3, players section).

Players coming from another SNP team

They may only be signed by a new team if **they have not played any match** with their team of origin in the current edition. Once a player has played a match with a team, they may only play for that team until the end of the season, save as provided for affiliated-team players (section 19.2).

19.2 Affiliated teams

Definition

An **affiliated team** is an additional team registered by the same official SNP club. Affiliated teams share infrastructure and home club but compete independently.

Movements between affiliated teams

A player may move from one affiliated team to another of the same club provided these requirements are met:

1. The team of origin must have **finished the Fase Regular** in a lower group or in a lower division within the same group.
2. The movement must respect the **SNP labelling limits** of the destination team (Cap. 10.3).
3. The operation must be formalised in the web private area during the period enabled for movements between affiliated teams.

Coincidence in the same division

Two affiliated teams of the same club registered in the same division **may not face** each other. The organisation will apply this condition in the draw and in any subsequent movement.

19.3 Participation requirement for the Master Nacional

To take part in the **Master Nacional**, each player must have played **at least 1 match** during the Fase Regular of the current edition.

Exception for medical leave: players who took part in the previous SNP edition in the same team, playing a minimum of 2 fixtures in the previous Fase Regular, and who in



the current edition have been unable to reach the minimum of 1 match due to **justified medical leave**, may take part subject to authorisation by the Competition Committee. The medical leave must cover a period equal to or greater than **80% of the total time of the Fase Regular**. Medical certificates must be sent by email to info@snpadel.se at least **72 hours** before the fixture in which the player is to take part.

The Competition Committee may, in exceptional circumstances, modify the minimum number of matches required for teams that, for justified reasons, have not played a sufficient number of fixtures.

19.4 Additions for the SNP Master Internacional

Team composition for the Master Internacional (countries with a 3-pair format)

The provisions of this article will apply exclusively to countries where fixtures are played under the three (3) pair format.

1. Every team must have a minimum squad of twelve (12) players.
2. To take part in the Master Internacional, each team must have at least nine (9) players who have played a minimum of one (1) match during the fase regular with that team.
3. Teams that do not reach that minimum may complete their squad with players coming from other SNP teams, provided they have played at least one (1) match during the fase regular, belong to the same category and level, and meet the remaining requirements established in this Rulebook.
4. Teams that have nine (9) or more players with at least one (1) match played during the fase regular may add up to three (3) newly registered players, always in accordance with the limitations provided for in this Rulebook.
5. Under no circumstances may more than three (3) new additions be made for this final phase.
6. If among the additions there is at least one (1) newly registered player who has not previously taken part in the competition, the team may not exceed thirteen (13) players.
7. Added players must meet the SNP labelling limits (Cap. 10.3).
8. In the case of **affiliated teams**, a player coming from an affiliated team of the same club will be permitted to move to the main team, provided the team of origin has finished the Fase Regular in a group or division lower than that of the destination.
9. Each new addition will automatically receive from the system a score equivalent to that of the **5th player** of the destination team, taking as reference the list of players registered in the SNP Master Internacional.

The organisation may modify the system or the addition dates if it deems appropriate, notifying the captains at least **10 days in advance**.



20. Sanctions

20.1 General principles

Captains will be responsible for their team's compliance with the SNP rulebook. Clubs will be responsible for compliance with the obligations that fall to them as home venues.

If irregularities are detected in the running of the competition, the organisation may sanction the infringing team or club with the measures provided for in this chapter. Sanctions may include the **loss of points**, the **loss of the fixture**, the **exclusion from knockout phases** or the **expulsion from the competition**, with no right to a refund of the registration, according to the seriousness and repetition of the infringement.

20.2 Table of sanctions · 3-pair format

Infringement	Sanction
Line-up out of time (not closed 15 min before the fixture)	-2 points off the overall standings
Improper line-up (unauthorised player, incorrect label)	Loss of the fixture 0-8
Results not entered by the home captain within 24 h	-1 point off the overall standings
Missing identity documentation for a player (not provided within 8 h)	Loss of the fixture 0-8
No-show of a pair for the match (maximum wait 15 min)	Loss of the points for the corresponding match
No-show of the entire team	Loss of the fixture 0-8 + obligation to play as the visitor in the next match as the home team
No booking of courts by the home club or captain	Loss of the fixture 0-8 for the home team
More than 2 rounds not played on the official date	Impossibility of scoring points in the furthest fixture + 120 € to the affected home clubs
Failure to use the official ball	Corrective measures under Cap. 11.3 (Squad A or B depending on the country)
Predetermination of results or falsification of match records	Immediate expulsion from the competition without refund
Serious unsporting conduct (player, captain or coach)	Immediate withdrawal of the authorisation and/or expulsion



20.3 Specific sanctions of the SNP Master Internacional · 5-pair format

As it is played in a 5-pair format, the following SNP Master Internacional infringements carry differentiated sanctions:

Infringement	Sanction
Line-up out of time in the SNP Master Internacional (5 pairs)	-5 points off the overall standings
Results not entered within 24 h in the SNP Master Internacional (5 pairs)	-2 points off the overall standings

20.4 Sanctions for home clubs

Home clubs that fail to meet their obligations (Cap. 4.2) may be sanctioned with:

1. The total or partial loss of the right to receive the amount for the fixtures played at their venue.
2. The loss of official SNP club status.
3. The forced migration of the assigned teams to another home club.
4. The definitive expulsion from the list of SNP clubs, with no refund of the registration made.

20.5 Sanctions for individual players

Players who engage in unsporting conduct, identity falsification or any other serious infringement may be sanctioned with:

1. **Temporary suspension** from the competition for a number of matches or matchdays determined by the Disciplinary Committee.
2. **Disqualification** from taking part in future SNP editions.
3. **Immediate expulsion** from the current competition with no right to a refund.

20.6 Teams that do not finish the competition

Teams that do not finish the competition on time (Fase Regular, Playoffs or Master Nacional) will be **excluded from the Master Nacional** and, where applicable, from the SNP Master Internacional. Once the Master Nacional draws have been published, teams that do not appear will be sanctioned with the impossibility of registering for the following edition unless they pay the corresponding sanction determined by the organisation.



20.7 Application of accumulated sanctions

When the same team, club or player accumulates **two or more sanctions** in a single season, the organisation may increase the sanction corresponding to the next breach and, ultimately, expel the offender from the competition.

21. Injuries

21.1 Injuries during the fixture

If a player is injured or is forced to withdraw during an official match, the fixture will continue as normal, with the match in progress being considered lost by the withdrawing pair, in accordance with the provisions of Cap. 15.9.

22. Claims

22.1 Time limit for claims during the Fase Regular

The time limit for submitting any claim relating to a Fase Regular fixture ends at **23:59 on the Sunday of the matchday** on which the incident that is the subject of the claim occurred.

After that time limit, **no new claims will be admitted** regarding incidents of that matchday, save for the exception in section 22.2.

22.2 Exception — Claim for results not entered within 24 hours

The sanction for results not entered within 24 hours (-1 point, Cap. 20.2) may be claimed **outside the ordinary time limit** of section 22.1, until 23:59 on the Sunday following the expiry of the 24-hour time limit.

22.3 Claim procedure

1. The claim will be sent by email to info@snpadel.se with an identifying subject line (division, matchday, teams involved).
2. It must include:
 - Details of the claiming team and captain.
 - Precise description of the incident.
 - Proof and evidence (photos, screenshots, communications, witnesses).
 - Specific request (result correction, application of a sanction, etc.).



4. The organisation will acknowledge receipt of the claim within a maximum of **5 working days**.
5. The **Competition Committee** will resolve the claim within a maximum of **15 business days** from receipt.
6. The resolution will be communicated by email to the claimant captain.

22.4 Claims regarding player labelling

Claims relating to SNP level labels assigned to players (Cap. 10.3) must be submitted within the deadlines published by the organisation before the start of each phase. If a well-founded claim is received in due time and form, the organisation will proceed to modify the label where appropriate.

22.5 Inadmissible claims

The following will not be admitted:

4. Claims submitted **out of time** (except for the exception in 22.2).
5. Claims without **complete identification** of the claimant team and captain.
6. Claims that do not provide **evidence** minimally justifying the grounds.
7. Claims regarding incidents already resolved by the Competition Committee in a final resolution.
8. Claims regarding the closure and validation of the digital match record, once the validation deadline has elapsed (Cap. 15.7), except for the exception in 22.2.

22.6 Appeal

The resolutions of the Competition Committee may be appealed before the **Disciplinary Committee** (Cap. 23) within a period of **5 business days** from their communication. The resolution of the Disciplinary Committee will be final and will exhaust the internal SNP procedure.



23. Disciplinary bodies, referees and official ball commission

23.1 Competition Committee

The **SNP Competition Committee** is the body responsible for:

1. Resolving the disciplinary and competition matters that arise during the season.
2. Interpreting this rulebook when a situation gives rise to interpretation.
3. Applying the sanctions set out in Cap. 20.
4. Taking **on-site decisions** during the Fase Regular, the Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional and Master Internacional SNP when circumstances so require.
5. Having decision-making power over any figure of the disciplinary body in all matters affecting the competition.

In matters not provided for by this rulebook, the general SNP rulebook will apply and, subsidiarily, the rules and regulations of the International Padel Federation (FIP).

23.2 Disciplinary Committee

The **SNP Disciplinary Committee** is the second-instance body that resolves the appeals lodged against the resolutions of the Competition Committee. Its resolutions exhaust the internal SNP procedure.

23.3 Referees

The **referees** appointed by the organisation are responsible for:

1. The technical direction of the fixtures at which they are present (Master Nacional, Master Internacional SNP and Fase Regular when expressly requested).
2. The verification of players' identities and the checking of documentation.
3. The validation of the competition match record and the results of each match.
4. The decision on the state of the official balls in the Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional and Master Internacional SNP.
5. The on-site application of the disciplinary measures that apply.

23.4 SNP Official Ball Commission

The **SNP Official Ball Commission** is the group of persons appointed by the organisation in each zone to verify compliance with the official ball rulebook (Cap. 11). Its members, together with referees and official delegates, may attend any Fase Regular fixture without prior notice to check the use of the official ball and inform the organisation of any incidents detected.



23.5 Official delegates

The organisation may appoint **official delegates** with representation and supervision functions in specific zones, matchdays or fixtures. Their functions will be expressly communicated at the time of appointment.

24. Suspension or cancellation of the competition

24.1 Causes of suspension or cancellation

The organisation may **temporarily suspend** or **definitively cancel** the competition (in whole or in a specific part: zone, division or category) when any of the following causes occurs:

1. **Force majeure** (natural disaster, pandemic, health crisis, administrative decision preventing the holding of sporting events).
2. **Insufficient registrations** preventing a minimum number of teams from being guaranteed for the sporting development of the competition.
3. **Widespread non-compliance** on the part of clubs, teams or players that compromises the viability of the competition.
4. **Decision of the organisation** in the face of exceptional circumstances that are duly justified.

24.2 Communication and consequences

The organisation will communicate the suspension or cancellation to the captains of the affected teams, to the host clubs and to the general public through the official channels. The communication will include:

1. **Scope** of the suspension or cancellation (partial or total).
2. **Expected timeframe**, where applicable, for resumption.
3. **Treatment of registrations, scores and rankings** accumulated up to that point.
4. **Refund policy** applicable, in accordance with the registration conditions accepted by the participants.

24.3 Resumption

If the cause of the suspension disappears, the organisation may resume the competition. The scores and rankings existing at the time of the suspension may be maintained, recalculated or annulled as determined by the Competition Committee.



25. Competition calendar

25.1 Official calendar season 2026-27

The specific dates (matchdays, closures and events) will be published in the private area of the website before the close of the registration period and will be updated in this same chapter. The following table sets out the indicative periods confirmed as at the date of publication of this rulebook.

General structure common to the 4 countries:

Milestone	Indicative period
Registrations	Closes before the start of the Fase Regular (specific dates in the website's private area)
Fase Regular · First leg	October 2026 – December 2026 (specific dates to be confirmed)
Fase Regular · Return leg	January 2027 – February 2027 (specific dates to be confirmed)
Playoffs Regionales	February 2027 (indicative, subject to the number of teams registered)
Master Nacional	March – April 2027 (specific dates to be confirmed)
Master Internacional SNP	May – June 2027 (specific dates to be confirmed)
Closing ceremony	June 2027 (date to be confirmed)

25.2 Calendar modifications

The organisation may adjust the calendar for justified reasons (weather, court availability, administrative decisions, etc.). Any modification will be communicated to the captains as far in advance as possible via email and the private area of the website.

25.3 Critical deadline closures

Regardless of the country's specific calendar, the following deadlines are **immovable**:

1. Close of **registrations** before the start of the Fase Regular.
2. Close of **line-ups** 15 minutes before each fixture (Cap. 15.2).
3. Close of **results entry** 24 hours after the fixture (Cap. 15.7).
4. Close of **results validation** 48 hours after the fixture (Cap. 15.7).
5. Close of **claims deadline** 23:59 on the Sunday of the matchday (Cap. 22.1).



26. Individual ranking

26.1 Definition

The **SNP individual ranking** measures the competitive performance of each player throughout the season. It reflects the player's relative position within their category (men's or women's) and level (Grand Slam, 1000, 500 or Future).

26.2 Ranking calculation

The ranking is calculated on the basis of:

1. **Points obtained** in each official match played in the Fase Regular, Regional Playoffs, Master Nacional and Master Internacional SNP.
2. **Match result** (win, loss, sets won and lost).
3. **Match level** according to the group in which it was played (Grand Slam contributes more points than Future).
4. **Phase coefficient** (Master Internacional SNP matches contribute more than those of the Fase Regular).
5. **Penalties** for sanctions applied to the player or their team in accordance with Cap. 20.

26.3 Update

The ranking is updated automatically in the public and private area of the website after the validation of the results of each matchday. Manual modifications by the organisation (corrections, sanctions, adjustments) will also be reflected in the ranking.

26.4 Use of the ranking

The individual ranking is used to:

1. Order the **pairs** within each team in each fixture (Cap. 15.1).
2. Assign **SNP level labels** to players (Cap. 10.3).
3. Calculate the **score for new entrants** to the SNP Master Internacional (Cap. 19.4).
4. Establish **public rankings** by category, level and zone, accessible from the SNP website.



26.5 Complaints regarding the ranking

Any discrepancy regarding the individual ranking must be reported to the organisation via email to info@snpadel.se within the general complaints period (Cap. 22). The organisation will verify the calculations and proceed with the correction if applicable.

26.6 Team ranking

In addition to the individual ranking, the SNP maintain a **team ranking** that reflects the standing of each team within its division. This ranking is used for promotions, relegations, draws and the composition of the Playoffs Regionales and Master Nacional.

Final provision

This rulebook comes into force in the **2026-27** season and replaces all previous versions published for Sweden. Any amendment during the season will be officially communicated by the organisation with adequate notice.

Any situation not expressly provided for in this rulebook will be resolved by the organisation of the Series Nacionales de Pádel, in accordance with the principles of regulatory fidelity, sporting fairness and good faith.