

- **Submission 1: No change other than remove FIDE rating**
After a short discussion, it was decided that this was not the way to proceed with the Chess Scotland flagship club competition. This submission was not accepted.
- **Submission 2: Team Lists published prior to match**
Chess Scotland will use Swiss Manager, which includes the ability to utilise Chessresults.com to produce team lists. Chess Scotland will include, on its website, a link to the relevant page(s)
- **Submission 3: Team Player Pools**
The discussion centered on the number of players allowed and it was concluded that a player pool of 16 to 20 players was the optimum that should be permitted. This will be referred to the Richardson Clubs for their input.
- **Submission 4: Away team White on ODD boards**
One of the problems with alternate White on odd boards for the away team was the advantage for one side with this arrangement when a match is being decided on board count. To counter this the Away side will therefore have White on boards 1, 4, 5, 8
- **Submission 5: Rating order**
After discussion, it was decided that the rating order to be used will be those with the following order of precedence: - 1. FIDE 2. CS Live
Further it was decided that the CS Live grade used will be that uploaded to the online grading system on the Wednesday immediately preceding the scheduled match date. If a match is scheduled on a Sunday the 1st or 2nd of the month it would mean the latest FIDE ratings would not be available on the Friday night the previous month would still be effective.
The board order will permit a 50-point variation in grades on adjacent boards.
- **Submission 6: Late substitutions (after team list submission)**
Team lists will be required to be lodged with the Tournament controller and Arbiters no later than the Midnight Thursday preceding the match fixture date. Changes will be permitted until 22:00 on the Friday after which the team list will be published as above.

If a substitute is required at any stage after publication the substitute player will be a direct replacement and cannot be higher rated than any player on a higher board.

If no board order is submitted by the required deadlines the top 8 players from the submitted player pool will be entered.
- **Submission 7: Penalties for rule breaches**
To be reviewed as necessary: under current regulations this decision rests with the Tournament Controller and if necessary referring to the Rules and Arbiters Committee.
- **Submission 8: Incremental Time Controls (Post meeting note)**
Chess Scotland Management Board is currently examining the introduction of Incremental Time Controls. This is under consideration for all rounds, or for the Final only.