**CLTTL Guidance for the 2024-5 season**

The AGM approved two guidance measures for team captains and club secretaries:

1. Procedure when a team believes an opponent’s bat is not legal,

**but not included as a separate Rule at present.**

1. The complaining team captain registers with the opposing team, before each set involving a disputed bat, that they will make a complaint to the appropriate divisional secretary.
2. Clear photos are taken of both sides of the disputed bat. These should show name of rubber, ITTF approval, which is mandatory, any significant damage. A reminder that one side of the bat must be black and the other side can be red, blue, pink, violet or green, otherwise the bat is illegal.
3. The appropriate Divisional Secretary to either make a decision on the legality of the bat or refer the matter to the Committee.
4. If the bat is deemed to be illegal, then any singles or doubles sets played with the bat will be defaulted.
5. Guidelines for playing conditions. **but not included as a separate Rule at present:**
6. Table Tennis England grade 2 recommendations for league matches:

Length 9m, width 4.5m, clear height above playing area 3m, illuminance over playing area 500 lux.

Also:

1. Barriers or walls to surround each match playing area.
2. Umpire chairs to be provided for each match, plus seating for non-players on chairs or benches.

Please do all you can to meet these requirements.