

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. These **Special Conditions of Play** need to be read in conjunction with Bowls Auckland Centre Events General Conditions of Play.
2. **Name and timing of event**
 - a. **Name:** Interclub Pennants
 - b. **Day:** Saturdays
 - c. **Dates:** 11, 18 & 25 November 2023
 - d. **Reserve Date:** 2 December 2023
3. **Venues**

Host Venues subject to draw, see Bowlshub for draw, venues and results.
4. **Play**

Will commence by 9.00 a.m. on each event day.
5. **Format of event**
 - a) Sides will be divisional based on the previous season's results (see point 12).
 - b) Each Division will play a round-robin competition.
 - c) The draw will reflect a head-to-head matchup.
 - d) A minimum of two and a maximum of three matches will be played each day.
 - e) Each match will include three games (rinks) of Triples. Those three game scores will combine to form "Total match Score".
 - f) Each player will play two bowls each, with 18 ends, and no time limit. (Total of 54 aggregate ends)
6. **Inclement weather**

An aggregate of 30 completed ends constitutes a match; should less than the minimum number of ends be completed, the match/ games will be continued at a later point as determined by the Tournament Convenor and the scores will be as they were when the game was stopped. Should more than the minimum number of ends be completed, but not the total number of ends, the result will be as it was when the game was abandoned.
7. **Defaults**

If a team defaults, their score will be recorded as a Loss. The non-offending team will be awarded the win and the average total of shots scored by/against the winning teams in the same round of the same section. The offending team will be given the reverse score of the non-offending team.
8. **Byes**

If a section has a Bye, the following will apply:

 - a) If every team gets a Bye, then no points will be awarded.
 - b) If some teams get a Bye, then the scoring as per Clause 7 "Defaults", will apply.

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9. Point allocation & determining a winner.

- a) Each match will be played as an aggregate across the three games.
The team with the largest total aggregated shots will be awarded 6 match points.
If the scores are equal each side will be awarded 3 match points.
- b) Each game will also be considered in isolation. Each team will be awarded 2 game points for each game won and 1 game point for each game drawn.
- c) The winning club will be decided:
 - (i) highest match points, then
 - (ii) highest game points, then
 - (iii) highest shots for
 - (iv) lowest shots against
 - (v) if tied after (iv) above, then the pennant will be shared equally.

10. Divisions

Any player who has played more than four games in any division may not then play in a lower division. If a club has more than one side in any division players may not be interchanged between sides in the same division. A penalty will be imposed by the Centre if these conditions are not adhered to.

11. Clubs

- a. Players may not play for more than one club in this competition.
- b. If a club has two sides in the same division where they must play each other, those sides play each other in the first round of play.

12. Promotion and relegation

- a) Teams finishing bottom two in Men's Premier, and Men's Division 1 will be relegated to the lower division next year.
- b) Teams finishing bottom two in the Women's Premier Division will be relegated to the lower division next year. (If applicable)
- c) Teams finishing 1st and 2nd in Men's Division 1, Men's Division 2 and Women's Division 1 will gain promotion to the higher division next year.
- d) Promotion/relegation is subject to next year's competition being conducted in the same format as this year. The operations committee reserves the right to adjust promotion/relegation criteria.

13. Prize money

Prize money will be direct credited into a nominated bank account.

For each division: Winner – \$400 Runner Up – \$200

EVENT PROCEDURE

1. **Prior to each round being played:** Bowls Auckland will send to the clubs involved:
 - (a) Team sheets
 - (b) Scorecards
 - (c) Draw/result sheets
2. **Report to venues:** Unless play is cancelled all players must report to the allocated venues.
3. **Postponements / Cancellation:** Any postponements due to weather conditions will be on the Bowls Auckland website bowlsauckland.co.nz and/or our Facebook page.
Bowls Auckland agree wherever possible to make this communication as soon as reasonably possible.
4. **Preparation of greens**
 - (a) Greens must be prepared and made available to players 30 minutes before the scheduled start time. It is essential that the Green Superintendent advise the Tournament Convenor on 022 357 3860 prior to 7:00 a.m. on any scheduled day of play if their greens are in doubt for the day. No club will cancel their greens play without the Tournament Convenor's approval. Green Superintendents are asked to make their calls promptly.
 - (b) Mats, jacks, scoreboards, chalk and buckets of water or dusters will be set out.
 - (c) The correct number of rinks is to be available, and the centre line of each rink should be chalked in accordance with the Special Condition of Play (refer to clause 13).
5. **Premier division:** Every effort will be made to complete the scheduled rounds for the day, which may result in a change of venue.
6. **Recorder:** A non-playing recorder **shall** be supplied by the host club. A penalty may be imposed by the Centre if this condition is not adhered to.
 - 6.1 **The duties of a Recorder are.**
 - (a) Ensuring that all information is **correct and complete** on the results sheet and the team sheets.
 - (b) Handing out all scorecards.
 - (c) The recorder shall be the only person from the venue to contact the Tournament Convenor during the day with greens, reports or enquires of any nature whatsoever.
 - (d) Please email convenor@bowlsauckland.co.nz the completed result sheet and the team's sign-in sheet to the Tournament Convenor as soon as possible at the conclusion of the day's play.
 - (e) Should a host club not appoint a recorder for the day, then the Team Manager of the host club side shall automatically become the recorder for the venue and shall complete all the above duties for the day.
7. **Team Manager:** Each side shall have a Team Manager, who may be a player on the side.
 - 7.1 **The duties of a Team Manager are.**
 - (a) To list the correct names of the members of their side on the team sheet **prior** to the start of play for the evening.
 - (b) To toss at the beginning of each round for all disciplines (Law 12).
 - (c) To ensure that scorecards are completed in full for each round as per General Conditions of Play clause 19.
 - (d) To sign the team sheet and the result sheet as a true and correct record before leaving the club at which the round(s) has been played. There is no right of appeal once the result sheet has been signed.