



Conditions of Play – State Wide Challenge

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Controlling body: Bowls Tasmania Inc.

Event: 2019 - 20 State Wide Challenge

Dates and Venues: Refer to BTAS annual calendar and attachments below

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1. OBJECTIVES

- Regional authorities are reminded of the clear objectives of the State Wide Challenge (SWC) and these should be read in conjunction with the following conditions of play
- Create a real regional challenge event that creates interest across the state for all age groups Junior (u/18), Open and senior (over 60).
- Provide an overall region champion across all disciplines
- Provide a pathway for junior players from U/18s through to open grades
- Use SWC as a key state representative selection tool
- Use SWC to be driver for regions to develop and enhance current player development and involvement
- Provide cash incentive for regions to offset costs and provide regional development
- Introduce younger girls to the SWC concept

2. ENTRY CONDITIONS

Regional Authorities will select competitors to participate in the State Wide Challenge from their affiliated members. All competitors must:

- be affiliated with the respective regions and registered with Bowls Tasmania
- not be currently under disqualification or suspension by their regional authority or their state authority

3 SELECTION GUIDELINES

a AGE ELIGIBILITY

As the State Wide challenge is a true region versus region competition it is also a major tool used for selecting our state representative sides. As a condition of entry, to compete in the

respective divisions of the State Wide challenge competitors must qualify under the following age guidelines and selectors should acknowledge state squad members:

OPEN

Men

- Each side of twelve (12) must have 3 x U/25 players at the day of competition

Women

- Each side of twelve (12) must have 3 x U/35 players at the day of competition (This does not include the B side for the home region).

SENIOR

- All players must be eligible for Bowls Australia Over 60's Senior Sides National Championship the following October. Therefore need to be over 60 as of the 1st day of competition of the BA national carnival (bowlers may be 59 y/o throughout the SWC, as long as they turn 60 before 1st day of competition of the BA national carnival).

JUNIOR

- All competitors must be U/18 on the day of competition

b ADDITIONAL SELECTION GUIDELINES

- **The U/18 competition** will be open gender and will be played as a 10 player per side with a minimum of 2 players from either gender. *Note this is **minimum 2** females/males and regions are encouraged to pick additional based on performance regardless of gender.*
- **State squad members** – As it is the respective regions state selectors who choose state squad members, it is an expectation that these members are selected in regional sides. Just cause must be shown and sent to BTAS CEO prior to day of competition if any state squad member is omitted from regional representation
- **Development squad members** – As it is the respective regions state selectors who choose development squad members, it is an expectation that these members are considered in regional sides and expected that these members are selected in regional 2nd sides when providing a second 12. Just cause must be shown and sent to BTAS CEO prior to day of competition if any development squad member is omitted from regional second side representation

4 STRUCTURE

OPEN

- Format will be 3 rinks of 4 players
- Each region will provide a side of twelve based on the guidelines in Section 3
- The home region will supply a 2nd side based on the same guidelines in section 3 and will play for championship bonus points
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The junior U/18 event is being conducted to align to the conditions of play and structure of the national U/18 competition conducted by Bowls Australia each year.

- Each region will select ten (10) players who meet selection criteria in Section 3
- Each combination of 10 will be played as 2 separate 5 a side combinations (see Attachment 3, page 11 for roster)
- No player can play more than 1 singles game over the series
- Should an association be unable to field a full team, then they can borrow a player from another region (host region 1st) in the following order:
 - Host region
 - Remaining region
- Each player can compete in a maximum of two disciplines per day. The Singles and Fours events will be conducted concurrently, as will the Pairs and Triples.
- All matches will be played in traditional format as follows:
 - a. Singles: Four bowls, 21 shots up. In excess of 21 shots shall not count. (*Note no individual can play more than 1 singles game throughout the three rounds*)
 - b. Pairs: Three bowls per competitor, 18 ends.
 - c. Triples: Two bowls per competitor, 18 ends.
 - d. Fours: Two bowls per competitor, 15 ends.
- A time limit of two hours and 15 minutes (not including trial ends) will apply to all matches for all disciplines.

5 TIMES

The following time schedule is developed to allow enough time for play and travel for competing regions

Morning matches

- 9:30am** Welcome address and calling of cards
9:45am Trial Ends to commence
10:00am First game to commence

Afternoon matches

- 1:00pm** Trial Ends to commence
1:15pm Second game to commence

The games will be run under the control of the Event Supervisor (Refer Attachment 4 on page 12) who can modify the times if required.

6 PRIZEMONEY

A trophy and prize money will be allocated to the overall winners on accumulated points across all disciplines of the SWC. Prize money will also be allocated to each discipline winners. It is the intent to ensure some costs are returned to the regions via minimum prize money for 3rd overall. The 2015-16 SWC will carry total prize money of \$10,000 plus trophy.

- Overall
 - Winner \$3,000
 - Second \$2,000
 - Third \$1,000
- Open Men \$750
- Open Women \$750
- Over 60 Men \$750
- Over 60 Women \$750
- Junior U/18 \$750

7 COSTS

Each Regional authority will be responsible for costs of:

- Travel
- Accommodation
- Uniforms
- Meals

8 SCORING AND DETERMINATION OF WINNERS

OPEN

Points will be allocated as follows for all open events

- 6 Points for winner of overall shots up over the 3 rinks played
- 2 points for each rink won (1 point for a drawn rink)

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As the juniors (u/18) will not play a completed match each rounds total points will be awarded for rink wins:

- Winners of each individual game will receive three points, losers nil. In the event of a tie each receives 1 and 1/2 points.
- The region with the highest number of points at the conclusion of the 3 rounds will be declared the winner.
- If points are equal, then the highest net total shots (total shots for minus the total shots against) will be ranked higher.
- If points and the highest net total shots are equal, then the total shots for will be divided by the total shots against. The side with the highest percentage will be ranked higher (Law 44.4)

OVERALL

The ladder that will determine the overall State Wide Challenge winner and receive the \$3000 prizemoney, will be on accumulation of points from all 5 events being played.

9 INCLEMENT WEATHER

- The Event Supervisor reserves the right to alter the format, times of play and greens to suit unforeseen circumstances, giving as much notice as practical.
- Where a program is interrupted or cannot be completed due to inclement weather or local conditions, the Event Supervisor may amend the format and length of games to achieve a result (minimum 10 ends must be played for a rink to be declared a match) or abandon the event where an outcome cannot be achieved and points will be shared.

10 RESTRICTING MOVEMENT OF PLAYERS DURING PLAY

Prior to the start of each end, the following players will take their position at the mat end of the green:

- Pairs game: the leads
- Triples game: the leads and seconds
- Fours game: the leads and seconds (the third may elect to stand with the skip at the head).

Players will only be allowed to walk up to the head under the following circumstances:

- Singles (each player playing four bowls)
 - the opponents: after delivery of their third and fourth bowls.
- Pairs (each player playing three bowls)
 - the leads: after delivery of their third bowl
 - the skips: after delivery of their second and third bowls
- Triples (each player playing two bowls)
 - the leads: after the second player in their team has delivered their second bowl;
 - the seconds: after delivery of their second bowl.
 - the skips: after delivery of each of their bowls.
- Fours (each player playing two bowls)
 - the leads: after the second player in their team has delivered their second bowl;
 - the seconds: after delivery of their second bowl.
 - the thirds: after delivery of their second bowl and;
 - the skips: after delivery of each of their bowls.

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a skip can ask that a player walks up to the head, or a player to the marker in singles, earlier than described above. If a player does not meet these terms, law 35 will apply.

11 PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING TIME LIMITS FOR JUNIOR (U/18)

- Trial ends – the appointed event coordinator will signal the start of the trials ends 15 minutes before the scheduled start of play.
- Start of play – Play will commence when the event coordinator announces matches to commence.
- End of play – At the completion of the allocated time, the event coordinator will signal the end of play. At this time, players will complete the current end

they are playing. (The start of an end is determined by the delivery of the jack by the first player in that end).

- Should a match not be completed as per the Laws of the Sport or the Format of Play, then the score stands as at the completion of the end in play and the player or team with the highest number of shots will be the winner. In the event that the scores are tied then the match will be declared a draw.

a. RE-SPOTTING THE JACK

- If a jack in motion passes completely outside the boundaries of the rink of play, come to rest in any hollow in the face of the bank, or rebounds to a distance of less than 18 metres from the mat line, the end should not be declared dead.
- Instead, the jack should be placed with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line at a spot on the rink which is two metres from the front ditch and on the centre line and play should continue.
- If the spot mentioned above is partly or completely covered by a bowl, the jack should be placed as close as possible to the covered spot, in line with and between that spot and the corresponding spot at the opposite end of the rink, without touching a bowl.
- The spot mentioned in the first paragraph should be marked using chalk or some other suitable method.

12 DELAYING PLAY

If the umpire, either by their own observation or on appeal from one of the skips or the opponent in singles, decides that a player is deliberately delaying the delivery of the player's bowl they will precede as follows:

- a. On the first occasion the umpire will warn the player.
- b. If the player commits the same offence a second time the end will be regarded as complete and the opponents of the offender will score as many shots as there are bowls in use by such opponent.
- c. If the player offends a third time the game will be forfeited to the opponent.

13 ATTIRE

- a. The attire of all players and team managers shall be in line with each regional authorities team uniform
- b. As per the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, including Domestic Regulation 5. Footwear must adhere to Appendix A2. Attire must adhere to Appendix A3 and the BA logo policy. This policy is available on the Bowls Australia web site www.bowlsaustralia.com.au.

14 TRIAL ENDS

One trial end in each direction will be allowed for all games in accordance with Law 18.1. In trial ends players can use any combination of bowls taken from different sets so long as all bowls carry a registered World Bowls stamp.

15 SUBSTITUTES

A substitute shall be utilised in the following manner:

- The coach shall call upon an eligible, affiliated player from her/his state association to substitute.
- The substitute player shall not be permitted to play in the position of skip.
- If a competitor/team is unable to complete any game already commenced, their opponent shall be awarded maximum match points for that game. As at the time that the game was stopped, each team will be allocated the shots scored as of the last end completed.
- Singles player may be replaced by eligible reserves or other team members.
- Teams may change formations prior to the start of the subsequent game. The Tournament Director must be notified of all changes. Players will be required to complete the relevant paperwork regarding the adjustments made.

16 BOWLS DISCS

Regional Authorities bowls discs must be used and comply with the following:

- All discs used by a side shall be the official state disc and must be on all bowls used for play.
- Discoloured or damaged discs will not be permitted and must be replaced by the team manager.

17 JURY OF APPEAL

A jury of appeal shall be appointed for the purpose of deciding upon any points not provided in the conditions of play, for dealing with any appeals from decisions made by umpires and/or the Event Supervisor, and generally for the purpose of exercising overall authority on behalf of Bowls Tasmania.

In the event of an appeal during the playing of the event, such appeals shall be made in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, and shall be directed to a Jury of Appeal which shall consist of:

- BT President or nominee
- BT Director for SWC or nominee

18 OTHER LAWS, REGULATIONS AND POLICIES

- Bowls Tasmania reserves the right to alter the program as deemed necessary to complete the event satisfactorily.
- Bowls Tasmania reserves the right to use any photographs taken during this event for further promotional requirements.
- All other Laws, Regulations & Policies other than stated above shall conform to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls and Domestic Regulations for Australia, as published in January 2011 including amendments (located at www.bowlsaustralia.com.au).
- All Bowls Australia policies will be enforced during this event. To assess these [click here](#) or visit the Bowls Australia website.

Attachment 1 Open Roster for Season 2019-20

SOUTH	<i>Sunday January 19</i>	Game 1 10:00am	South 1	v	NW
			South 2	v	N
		Game 2 1:15pm	South 1	v	N
South 2	v		NW		

NORTH WEST	<i>Sunday February 23</i>	Game 1 10:00am	NW 1	v	N
			NW 2	v	S
		Game 2 1:15pm	NW 1	v	S
NW 2	v		N		

NORTH	<i>Sunday March 22</i>	Game 1 10:00am	North 1	v	NW
			North 2	v	S
		Game 2 1:15pm	North 1	v	S
North 2	v		NW		

Attachment 2 Senior Roster for Season 2019-20

SOUTH	<i>Tuesday January 7</i>	Game 1 10:00am	South 1	v	NW
			South 2	v	N
		Game 2 1:15pm	South 1	v	N
			South 2	v	NW

NORTH WEST	<i>Tuesday February 4</i>	Game 1 10:00am	NW 1	v	N
			NW 2	v	S
		Game 2 1:15pm	NW 1	v	S
			NW 2	v	N

NORTH	<i>Tuesday March 3</i>	Game 1 10:00am	North 1	v	NW
			North 2	v	S
		Game 2 1:15pm	North 1	v	S
			North 2	v	NW

Attachment 3 Junior Roster for Season 2019-20

NORTH	Longford BC <i>Sunday</i> January 12	Game 1 10:00am	N3a	v	NW3a
			N3b	v	S3a
			S3b	v	NW3b
			N2a	v	NW2a
			N2b	v	S2a
			S2b	v	NW2b
		Game 2 1:15pm	N4a	v	NW4a
			N4b	v	S4a
			S4b	v	NW4b
			N1a	v	NW1a
			N1b	v	S1a
			S1b	v	NW1b
NORTH	Longford BC <i>Sunday</i> February 16	Game 1 10:00am	N3a	v	S3a
			N3b	v	NW3b
			S3b	v	NW3a
			N2a	v	S2a
			N2b	v	NW2b
			S2b	v	NW2a
		Game 2 1:15pm	N4a	v	S4a
			N4b	v	NW4a
			S4b	v	NW4b
			N1a	v	S1a
			N1b	v	NW1b
			S1b	v	NW1a
NORTH	Longford BC <i>Sunday</i> April 26	Game 1 10:00am	N3a	v	S3b
			N3b	v	NW3a
			S3a	v	NW3b
			N2a	v	NW2b
			N2b	v	S2b
			S2a	v	NW2a
		Game 2 1:15pm	N4a	v	S4b
			N4b	v	NW4b
			S4a	v	NW4a
			N1a	v	NW1b
			N1b	v	S1b
			S1a	v	NW2b

Attachment 4: Host Region requirements

It is expected that tasks 2 and 3 (below) are completed at least 3 days before the event. Task 1 shall be advised at least 6 weeks prior.

1. Advise BTAS of host venue.
2. Arrange and appoint the appropriate number of Umpires (1 per green). Therefore, 2 Umpires for the Open and 60's, and 1 for the U18's.
3. Advise BTAS the names of the Umpires appointed.
4. Appoint an Event Supervisor and advise BTAS.
5. In collaboration with Match Managers, the Event Supervisor is to complete the official scoresheet (attached) and ensure it is faxed or emailed to BTAS on the day of competition.
6. Lunch will initially be invoiced to BTAS. Each Region will be invoiced for their proportion.

Regions to advise BTAS total numbers to be catered for (players/coaches/managers/selectors) 6 days prior to the event.

BTAS will advise host club of total catering requirements, and BTAS/Club will issue meal tickets (as advised) on the day of competition.

Host Club requirements

1. Supply an appropriate number of rinks.
12 rinks for Opens/60's + 6 rinks for U18's (when applicable).
2. Supply an appropriate quality and number of jacks and mats.
3. Provide lunch for players/coaches/managers/umpires/State Selectors and approved personnel - \$15/head (invoiced to BTAS).
BTAS will notify club of specific number (as per collated advice from Regions). Please note that this can be negotiated for Junior events.