

# **CDBA CONDITIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS LADIES**

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### 1 DEFINITIONS

In these conditions the following terms have the meanings shown unless the context of the matter requires otherwise.

#### **Bona fide Member**

Means a member of an affiliated club who is currently financial at all clubs of which she is a member and not under suspension by any bowls club/ district/ state or national body.

#### **CDBA**

means Cunningham District Bowls Association.

#### **Clubs**

means a bowls club affiliated with the CDBA.

#### **Council**

means the council of the CDBA.

#### **Controlling Body**

means the district, its match committee, and includes an affiliated club where duties have been delegated on behalf of the district.

#### **Championship Event**

Includes district singles pairs and fours and includes events leading to a higher level play off.

#### **Currently financial at an affiliate club/s**

Means financial at her club/s at all times during the currency of the particular district event. i.e. the time of nomination, close of nominations and scheduled dates of play. Although a club by it's constitution may offer it's members an as of grace period in which to pay their fees, this has no effect in relation to district events

#### **Laws of the Game and Laws**

Means Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark Edition as amended from time to time.

#### **Match Committee**

Means the Match Committee of CDBA or any member of that committee acting for and on behalf of that committee

### 2 CONTROL

- (a) The appointed Match Committee of the Cunningham District Bowls Association shall have full control of the conduct of the Championship Events in accordance with these conditions, the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, District Rules and By Laws. Where necessary, the Match Committee shall have the power to reschedule games and need not assign any reason thereto.
- (b) Subject to these conditions, the Match Committee shall have the power to enquire into and adjudicate any disputes or interpretations as they occur.
- (c) A decision by the Match Committee in relation to a decision made in respect of an event or any adjudication, interpretation or fine awarded may be appealed in accordance with the District Constitution.
- (d) Following advice of the draw for any Championship Event, no other district event shall take precedence over, interfere with or interrupt the event
- (e) The Match Committee and clubs designated to act as the Controlling Body for a district event shall comply with the District Council's policy in respect of continuation of play in severe weather conditions.

### 3 ENTRIES

- (a) Members of clubs shall submit entries on the official entry form and accompanied by the prescribed fee through their declared club by the closing time advertised by the Match Committee. In extenuating circumstances, the Match Committee shall have the power to alter the closing time once it is set.
- (b) Entries not on the official entry form or not containing the required information, not in readable form or not received by the closing date may be declined at the absolute discretion of the Match Committee.
- (c) Clubs will be responsible for ensuring that entrants from their clubs are eligible.
- (d) No entries will be accepted after the draw has been completed.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY

Any female member of an affiliated club of the Cunningham District may nominate and play in a Ladies Championship Event

- (a) She is eligible under By Law 13

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- (b) She is a “bona fide” member of all her clubs and is a declared and financial member of the club from which she has nominated
- (c) All players in the team shall be “declared members” of the same district club.
- (d) The Match Committee shall determine all questions of eligibility

### **5 MISCONDUCT ETC.**

Where a player becomes unfinancial with her club/s or has been suspended or expelled under the rules of any Club, District, State, including any other club or district, she shall be ineligible to nominate, compete or continue in any district event.

### **6 PLAYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAWS OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS**

All District Championship Events will be played according to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark Edition (as amended from time to time) and are subject to the provisions of the CDBA Constitution, Rules and By Laws and these conditions.

### **7 DAYS OF PLAY**

All Championship Events will be played on the days/dates specified.

### **8 KNOCKOUT PLAY**

- (a) All events will be played on a knockout basis.
- (b) **Length of game;**
  - (i) Singles      25 shots up    - no time limit.
  - (ii) Pairs        21 ends        - no time limit.
  - (iii) Fours        21 ends        - no time limit
- (c) If the scores are equal at the end of game, then the provision of Law 45 will apply.
- (d) **Weather/Play interruptions**
  - (i) Where a complete round is unable to be played, the Match Committee will reschedule play to another time/date that will be advised to players on the day.

### **9 GREENS**

The competition shall (unless special circumstances occur which are specifically approved by the Match Committee) be played on natural outdoor greens with or without cover.

- (a) Clubs are to make their best greens available for the championships.
- (b) Clubs are required to provide the best speed of green allowing for the prevailing weather conditions.
- (c) The width of the rinks shall be not less than 5.0 metres and not more than 5.8 metres.
- (d) The use of an electronic device, e.g. mobile phones, radios, paging devices etc is not permitted within 10 metres of the green. However in special cases (doctors pagers etc) the controlling body may vary this condition.

### **10 GREENS UNFIT FOR PLAY**

- (a) In the event of a Club's Greens \Director or other club official deciding a green is unfit for play, he will notify the Match Committee (or any member of the Match Committee) of his decision as long before starting time as is practical.
- (b) Competitors will not leave the club until the Match Committee has given approval
- (c) In the event of a transfer of a match or matches to another Club's green, competitors involved will proceed thereto without delay and fulfill their engagement.

### **11 COUNCIL TO SET ENTRY FEES AND GREEN FEES**

- (a) The district will prior to calling nominations for a particular Championship Event, determine the entry fees and green fees applicable to that Championship Event. When making such determination, the District shall make determinations regarding the provision and maximum cost of morning and afternoon teas and lunches. Differential green fees may apply between morning and afternoon games.
- (b) Green fees will be paid to the Club on whose greens the game is played.
- (c) No green fees will be paid in the final.

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(d) **Adjustment of green fees - game continued at different club.**

When a game is not completed for any reason and is subsequently continued at a Club (other than the one at which it was commenced) the Match Committee shall, at its absolute discretion determine the payment of additional green fees (if any) by the players and any adjustment of green fees required between the clubs concerned. It is within the power of the Match Committee to decide that any additional green fees shall be paid by CDBA. No additional green fees decided pursuant to this condition will exceed the green fee originally paid.

### **12 LIGHTS MAY BE USED**

- (a) Lights will be used as appropriate to enable the completion of any game or match and when so used then, subject to other conditions, the game will be played to its normal duration.
- (b) The decision to allow lights shall remain solely with the umpire who will, on appeal take account of the prevailing conditions as required by the Laws of the Sport of Bowls. Once the umpire has decided that the use of lights is to be permitted then the approval for their use lies solely with the official of the Club on whose green the match is being played and such approval must not reasonably be withheld

### **13 TRIAL ENDS AND PRACTISE**

Trial ends and practice are allowed in Championship Events in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls.

### **14 UMPIRES**

The Host Club will appoint a National Umpire (either gender) to be in attendance. Where no National Umpire is available, then the Club shall appoint a suitably qualified person to act as umpire.

### **15 ATTIRE**

- a) Players will conform with the Bowls Qld. / District dress code and the Controlling Body has made the following determinations for these competitions-
  - (i) Bowls Qld. / District approved club shirts and other approved apparel may be worn provided that all players in the team will be similarly dressed.
  - (ii) The Controlling Body as part of a sponsorship arrangement may issue players and officials with a competition cap or other apparel and specify conditions for the wearing of such apparel.
  - (iii) Players entitled to a district cap, name badge or splash jacket may wear such apparel in these events at district level.
  - (iv) When a competition progresses to a Zone or Bowls Qld. Controlled state final, players will conform to Bowls Qld. Dress for a zone or state final.
- (b) The Controlling Body of a club where the match is played will be responsible for enforcing the dress code.
- (c) It should be noted that sponsors logos or other advertising is only allowed from official sponsors of the club or the district or the competition. Clubs are requested not to allow advertising that conflicts with the competition sponsor.
- (d) Where a player is incorrectly attired, she shall not be permitted to participate until she becomes correctly attired. If a player refuses to correct her dress, then after an official warning her team shall be disqualified.
- (e) The Controlling Body shall exercise discretion where there are extenuating circumstances such as a player replacing an ill player.
- (f) Mufti clothing is not allowed to be worn by any player (male or female) playing a game on the same green as District Championship play.

### **16 WITHDRAWAL AND / OR FORFEIT**

- (a) Any player or team intending to withdraw from a scheduled round must notify the Match Committee (not opponents/s or Club).
- (b) If a player or team fails to appear within thirty (30) minutes of the appointed starting time, the opponent/s will be granted a forfeit.

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### **17 FORFEITING WITHOUT JUSTIFIABLE CAUSE**

- (a) If without justifiable cause any team/player fails to fulfill an engagement, the team / player will be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$15 per player, with a maximum penalty of \$60 for any one offence. Any player so fined has the right of appeal to the Council.
- (b) The liability for the collection and payment of fines will rest with the Secretary of the defaulting members Club.
- (c) In addition a team / player may be disqualified from; entering CDBA competitions for a period of up to two (2) years.
- (d) In the event of a fine being imposed, up to half of such fine may be paid to the Club on whose greens the match was originally scheduled. This is by way of compensation for the loss of green fees.

### **18 MATCH RESULTS**

Club officials are required to ensure that correctly completed score sheets are forwarded to the Match Committee immediately following completion of the day's Championship events. If the subsequent round is to be played the next day, the Club official will arrange for the score sheets to be delivered by any suitable means to the next club prior to the scheduled start of play on the next day. In addition these results are to be telephoned / faxed or electronically sent to the Match Committee.

### **19 PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THESE CONDITIONS**

Where a penalty is not specified, the penalty for a breach of these Conditions will be determined by the Match Committee at its absolute discretion. The Committee may disqualify a player from the event.

### **20 JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- (a) The Council may conduct Junior Female Championships.
- (b) Where such Junior Championships are conducted;
  - (i) The District Management Committee, at its discretion shall determine which Junior Championships are conducted in any particular year.
  - (ii) Such Championships will be conducted in conjunction with the District Championships and under the same conditions as are appropriate.
  - (iii) The District Management Committee will not be under any obligation to continue with these championships if it decided otherwise.
  - (iv) The District Management Committee may set different fees and charges for these championships.
  - (v) Should there be less than an acceptable number of entries the District Management Committee may cancel a championship.

### **21 TROPHIES**

Any trophy / prize offered for any Championship Event shall be determined by the Council. The Council may vary the value of any such trophy / prize from year to year.

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