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## Conditions of Play for Pennants.

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## 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. **'Bona Fide'** means a *Financial Member* who is not currently under suspension or expelled under the rules of any *Club*, District, State or National Body
- 1.2. **'CDBA'** means Cunningham District Bowls Association Inc.
- 1.3. **'Clause'** means a Clause in these Conditions of Play
- 1.4. **'Club'** means a Bowls Club affiliated with *CDBA*.
- 1.5. **'Council'** means the Council of the *CDBA*.
- 1.6. **'Controlling Body'** means the relevant *CDBA* Match Committee or any member of that Committee acting for and on behalf of that Committee.
  - 1.1.1. **Men:** For Men's Pennants, the Men's Match Committee shall be the relevant Committee.
  - 1.1.2. **Ladies:** For Ladies' Pennants, the Ladies' Match Committee shall be the relevant Committee.
- 1.7. **'Declared Club'** means the *Club* that the player represents when they play their first *CDBA* Pennant *Match* (Excluding Night Pennants) in the current calendar year.
- 1.8. **'Divisional Round'** means a *Match* or a series of *Matches* scheduled to be played on the same date, or within the same week as part of a round robin tournament within a Division of the competition.
- 1.9. **'DR'** means a Domestic Regulation as specified in the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls*
- 1.10. **'Eligible Player'** means (unless otherwise noted), a player who meets all of the requirements of these Conditions of Play.
- 1.11. **'Finals Play'** means play in the Preliminary Final or Final of the competition.
- 1.12. **'Financial Member'** means a member of a *Club* affiliated with the *CDBA* who is financial at all Bowls Clubs of which they are a member.
- 1.13. **'Graded'** means no longer eligible to play in a lower division.
- 1.14. **'Host Club'** means the *Club* at which a particular Championship is being played
- 1.15. **'Law'** means a Law in the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls*
- 1.16. **'Laws of the Sport of Bowls'** or **'Law Book'** means the Laws of the Sport of Bowls in Australia (Crystal Mark Edition) as amended from time to time and applicable at the time nominations close for the event.
- 1.17. **'Match'** means a competition between two sides within a round.
- 1.18. **'Match Points'** means up to two (2) match points awarded for an aggregate score win in accordance with clauses 15.1.1 to 15.1.3.
- 1.19. **'Percentage Shots'** means the shots scored by a side divided by the shots scored by the opposition, expressed as a percentage
- 1.20. **'Rink Points'** means up to two (2) rink points awarded for each rink win in accordance with *Clauses* 15.1.4 to 15.1.6.

## 2. CONVENTIONS

- 2.1. The conventions adopted in these Conditions of Play are in line with the conventions listed in the Foreword of the *Law Book*

- 2.1.1. References to 'should' and 'will' within these Conditions of Play means that the action is compulsory.
- 2.1.2. References to 'can' within these Conditions of Play means that the action is optional.
- 2.1.3. Words in italics refer to words with special meaning as defined in the 'Definitions' listed in clause 1.

### **3. CONTROL**

- 3.1. The *Controlling Body* shall have full control over the conduct of the pennant competition.
- 3.2. The *Controlling Body* shall have the power to enquire into and adjudicate any disputes or interpretations as they occur.
- 3.3. A decision by the *Controlling Body* in relation to a decision made in relation to any event, interpretation or fine imposed may be appealed in accordance with *Clause 34*

### **4. MEMBERS OF MORE THAN ONE CLUB**

- 4.1. If a player is a member of more than one *Club* in *CDBA*, then their '*Declared Club*' will automatically become the *Club* they represent when they play their first Pennant Game (excluding Night Pennants) in the current calendar year as defined in *Clause 1.7*

### **5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- 5.1. *Clubs* shall submit entries on the official Nomination Form accompanied by the prescribed fee, by the closing time advertised by the *Controlling Body*. In extenuating circumstances, the *Controlling Body* shall have the power to extend the closing time once it is set.
- 5.2. Entries not on the official Nomination Form or not containing the required information and fee, not legible or not received by the closing date may be rejected.
- 5.3. Where it is necessary to structure a draw without byes, the *Controlling Body* may seek additional entries after the closing date or reject submitted entries. If a submitted entry is rejected, the respective *Club* will be advised in writing of the reason for the rejection within seven (7) days.

### **6. STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION**

#### **6.1. Divisions**

- 6.1.1. The competition shall be divided into a number of divisions determined by the *Controlling Body* within the following parameters:
  - 6.1.1.1. Each division shall have a maximum of 10 sides except the lowest division which may have more than 10 sides.
- 6.1.2. When allocating *Clubs* to divisions in accordance with *Clause 6.1.1*, the *Controlling Body* will give consideration to the promotion and relegation of sides based on the previous year's results and generally in accordance with *Clause 27*.
- 6.1.3. The *Controlling Body* may give two *Clubs* approval to nominate a joint pennant team if requested to do so or if this becomes necessary to make up the required number of entries to avoid byes. This may happen only if the following conditions are met:
  - 6.1.3.1. Where either *Club* is entered in other divisions, a joint pennant team may be entered only in the lowest division played.

- 6.1.3.2. Where neither *Club* is entered in another division, a joint pennant team may be entered in any division other than division 1, at the discretion of the *Controlling Body*.
- 6.1.3.3. In these circumstances, the side will be known as the 'Club 1-Club 2 Side' (a combination of the two *Club* names)
- 6.1.3.4. The *Club* members may wear their own *Club* approved uniform or alternatively all members may be dressed in white.
- 6.1.3.5. *Club* members may use a common bowls sticker that can be either *Club's* approved stickers or a neutral coloured sticker.

## 6.2. Sides

### 6.2.1. **Men:** A Side shall consist of:

- 6.2.1.1. For all Divisions: 3 teams of 4 *Eligible Players* (a total of 12 players) playing fours.

### 6.2.2. **Ladies:** A Side shall consist of:

- 6.2.2.1. For Divisions 1 and 2: 3 teams of 4 *Eligible Players* (a total of 12 players), playing fours.
- 6.2.2.2. For Divisions 3 and lower: 3 teams of 3 *Eligible Players* (a total of 9 players), playing 2 bowl triples

## 6.3. Multiple Sides in a Division

- 6.3.1. **Men:** A *Club* may NOT have more than one side in any division, except for the lowest division played in the competition where a *Club* may have a maximum of two (2) sides.
- 6.3.2. **Ladies:** A *Club* may have more than one (1) side in any division. When such a situation occurs, the sides will be known as Side 'A', Side 'B' etc.

## 6.4. Divisional rounds

- 6.4.1.1. Apart from *Finals Play*, all *Matches* shall be played on a round robin basis, with all sides in a division playing each other once (either at home, or away).

## 6.5. Finals Play

- 6.5.1. At the conclusion of the *divisional rounds*, in each division a preliminary final and final will be played on a knockout basis as follows:
  - 6.5.1.1. The side ranked highest in accordance with *Clause 15.2* in each division will receive automatic entry into the final play off.
  - 6.5.1.2. The sides ranked second and third highest in accordance with *Clause 15.2* in each division will play each other in a Preliminary Final for the right to play the in the Final
  - 6.5.1.3. *Host Clubs* and any alternative *Clubs* selected for *Finals Play* will be announced prior to the commencement of the first round of the competition.

- 6.5.1.4. The Preliminary Finals for all divisions will be played in accordance with the following:
- 6.5.1.4.1. **Men:** Commencing at 1.00pm on a date determined by the *Controlling Body* within two (2) weeks of the completion of the *Divisional Rounds*.
  - 6.5.1.4.2. **Ladies:** Commencing at 9:30am on a date determined by the *Controlling Body* within two (2) weeks of the completion of the *Divisional Rounds*.
- 6.5.1.5. The Finals for all divisions will be played in accordance with the following:
- 6.5.1.5.1. **Men:** Commencing at 1:00pm on the Saturday immediately following the Preliminary Final.
  - 6.5.1.5.2. **Ladies:** Commencing at 9:30am on a date determined by the *Controlling Body* within one (1) week of the Preliminary Final.
- 6.5.1.6. In the event of the total score being equal at the completion of the scheduled number of ends in *Finals Play*, the game shall continue in accordance with *Law 45*. If any players of a side leave the *Host Club* before the result is declared and extra ends are required to determine a winner, then that side shall immediately forfeit the game and their opponents will be declared the winner.
- 6.5.1.7. In the event of inclement weather stopping a *Match* in progress, then it shall be continued at a time and place determined by the *Controlling Body*.
- 6.5.1.8. The winner of the Final shall be declared the Pennant winner in each division.

## 7. ELEGIBILITY TO PLAY

- 7.1. **Men:** Any male member of an affiliated *Club* may be selected to play in the Men's Pennant competition for their *Declared Club* provided the provisions of *Clause 7.3* are met.
- 7.2. **Ladies:** Any female member of an affiliated *Club* may be selected to play in the Ladies' Pennant competition for their *Declared Club* provided all the provisions of *Clause 7.3* are met.
- 7.3. Provisions for selection:-
- 7.3.1. The player is a *Bona Fide* member as defined in *Clause 1.1* and has remained so since the scheduled date for the first round of the competition.
  - 7.3.2. The player is playing in their first CDBA Pennant *Match* for the calendar year (excluding Night Pennants), or playing for their *Declared Club* as defined in *Clause 1.7*.
  - 7.3.3. The player was a *Financial Member* of their *Declared Club* on 30th June that year or, never having been a member of a bowls *Club* before, they are a *Bona Fide* member of their *Declared Club* at the time they commence playing in the competition.
  - 7.3.4. During the course of the pennant competition, if a player ceases to be a *Bona Fide* member as defined in *Clause 1.1*, they shall be ineligible to play (or continue to play) in that competition.
  - 7.3.5. The player has not played in another Pennant Division within that *Divisional Round*.

7.3.6. The *Controlling Body* shall determine all questions of eligibility.

## 8. GRADING, PROMOTION AND DEMOTION OF PLAYERS IN ROUND

- 8.1. A *Bona Fide* player may play in any division until he becomes *graded* for a division.
- 8.2. A player becomes *graded* for a division after playing in a total of three (3) games in that division or in a combination of that division and any higher division.
- 8.3. Once *graded* for a division, a player cannot play in a lower division.
- 8.4. Having become *graded* for a division, a player may still play in a higher division at any time, however a player may, as a result of playing in the higher division subsequently become *graded* for a higher division in accordance with *Clause 8.1*.
- 8.5. **Ladies:** When a *Club* has two (2) or more sides in a division:
  - 8.5.1. Each side shall be considered as playing in a separate division for the purposes of grading players in accordance with *Clause 8.1*
  - 8.5.2. After becoming *graded*, a player shall not transfer from one side to the other.
- 8.6. In order to play in a Preliminary Final or Final, a player must have previously been *graded* in that division or be one of the two players eligible for promotion under *Clause 10.2.1*.

## 9. INCOMPLETE SIDE OR ILLNESS

- 9.1. If within 30 minutes of the scheduled start time of the competition, a member or members of a side are absent, then play may continue if one (1) of the conditions specified in *Clause 9.1.1* or *9.1.2* are met.
  - 9.1.1. If an eligible member (as defined in *DR 4.1.1*) is not available to act as a substitute, play may proceed in accordance with *Law 46.2*. playing one player short, with the bowls used and the scores adjusted accordingly.
  - 9.1.2. If an eligible member (as defined in *DR 4.1.1*) is available to act as a substitute, play may proceed in accordance with *DR 4.1.4* to *DR 4.1.9(e)*. Note that 'Replacement Players' are not applicable to the pennant competition as structured.
- 9.2. If a player needs to leave the rink of play for any reason, the provisions of *Law 51* shall apply. Any substitute introduced under this *Law* shall comply with *Clause 9.1.2*.
- 9.3. If a player plays as a substitute for seven (7) or more ends in a game, they will be deemed to have played a complete game for the purposes of becoming *graded* in accordance with *Clause 8.1*.
- 9.4. All substitutes shall be approved by the umpire on the day and are to be noted as such, on the Results Sheet Match Incident report. The umpire shall initial the entry and clearly print their name and accreditation number.
- 9.5. If a side is unable to meet the requirements of *Clause 9* then they shall forfeit.

## 10. ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY IN FINALS

- 10.1. Only a *Bona Fide* player who meets the Eligibility Requirements of *Clause 7*, and has been *graded* in accordance with *Clause 8* shall be eligible to play in *Finals Play* and only for the division in which they are *graded* or higher, subject to the provisions of *Clause 10.2*.
- 10.2. A maximum of two (2) players from a lower division in which the *Club* competes may play up providing that:-
  - 10.2.1. All the players who are eligible to play for that side under *Clause 10.1* are genuinely unavailable because of ill health, work or such other reason accepted by

the *Controlling Body* and

10.2.2. The *Controlling Body* pre-approves in writing the reason for players not being available and also the players which the *Club* proposes to play in their stead.

## 11. PLAYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE GAME

11.1. All pennant games shall be played according to the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls* and these Conditions of Play.

## 12. LOCATION OF GAMES

12.1. Play shall take place at the home or away *Club* in any *divisional round* as determined by the *Controlling Body* at the time of determining the structure of the competition.

12.2. If a *Clubs* greens are unfit for use, or unavailable for any reason accepted by the *Controlling Body*, then that *Club* may nominate to the *Controlling Body*, at least twenty four (24) hours prior to the date of the affected *Match*, another acceptable *Club* at which the *Match* may be played. The *Controlling Body* will not unreasonably withhold permission to transfer the affected *Match* to the alternative *Club*, and notify the affected *Clubs* accordingly.

## 13. DATES AND TIME OF PLAY

13.1. All games will be played on the advertised date subject to the provisions of *Clause 16*.

13.2. The scheduled starting time for all games shall be:

13.2.1. **Men:** 1:00pm

13.2.2. **Ladies:** 9:30am

13.3. With the mutual agreement of both Side Managers and the Umpire, the game may commence earlier.

13.4. If the *Host Club* has no lights for the greens and overcast weather is forecast, approval to start up to one (1) hour prior to the scheduled starting time of the *Match* may be requested from the *Controlling Body*, provided both Side Managers, the *Host Club* and the Umpire are in agreement.

## 14. ENDS TO BE PLAYED

14.1. The number of ends to be played are:

14.1.1. Fours: 21 ends – No time limit

14.1.2. Triples: 25 ends – No time limit

14.1.3. Dead ends shall be re-played

## 15. SCORING

15.1. The position of Sides in a Division will be determined by awarding the following points for each *Match* of each round:

15.1.1. Two (2) *Match Points* for the side with the highest aggregate shots.

15.1.2. Zero (0) *Match Points* for the side with the lowest aggregate shots.

15.1.3. One (1) *Match Point* for each side if the aggregate shots are equal

15.1.4. Two (2) *Rink Points* for each rink win.

- 15.1.5. Zero (0) *Rink Points* for each rink loss
  - 15.1.6. One (1) *Rink Point* for each rink drawn.
  - 15.1.7. Where a side has been allocated a Bye in a divisional draw, no match or rink points will be awarded, and no shots for/against will be recorded.
  - 15.1.8. A team sheet shall be submitted for a bye. Only the Club name, date and division shall be entered on the sheet, together with the word 'BYE'. No players names shall be entered on the sheet.
- 15.2. After the completion of any round, the relative positions of the sides (or ranking) will be determined in decreasing order by:
- 15.2.1. Maximum Aggregate *Match Points*. If equal then  
Maximum Aggregate *Rink Points*. If still equal, then  
Highest Aggregate *Percentage Shots* (for/against)

## 16. INCOMPLETE ROUND / INCLEMENT WEATHER.

- 16.1. If during *divisional rounds*, a justifiable cause e.g. Inclement weather, or greens unfit for play, prevents the start of any *Match* within one (1) hour of the scheduled start time, that *Match* shall be abandoned and *Clause 16.4* will apply. Note: Inclement weather may be the result of rain, high wind, lightening, darkness, hot weather as defined in the Bowls Australia 'Extreme Weather Policy – Hot Weather Section' or any other climatic condition that may pose a danger to the players or officials.
- 16.2. If a *Match* in a *divisional round* is interrupted and less than 2/3rd's of the ends are completed, all reasonable efforts should be made to complete the *Match* on the same day. If completion of the game on the same day is not possible, then *Law 50* applies and that *Match* shall be completed in accordance with *Clause 16.5*
- 16.3. If a *Match* in a *divisional round* is interrupted and at least 2/3rd's of the ends have been completed, all reasonable efforts should be made to complete the game on the same day. If completion of the game on the same day is not possible, then that *Match* shall be deemed completed at the time of the stoppage and the *Match Points*, *Rink Points* and *Percentage Shots* for/against shall be awarded accordingly.
- 16.4. Abandoned *Match*
- 16.4.1. If, during the *divisional rounds* if a justifiable cause (e.g. inclement weather) prevents the start of any *Match* then:
  - 16.4.2. If the *Controlling Body* determines that the result of an abandoned *Match* may affect the sides eligible for *Finals Play*, then the *Match* shall be rescheduled by the *Controlling Body* to be played within a one (1) week period immediately after the completion of scheduled rounds.
  - 16.4.3. If the *Controlling Body* determines that the result of an abandoned *Match* will not affect the sides eligible for *Finals Play*, then that *Match* will not be played and no *Match Points*, *Rink Points* or shots for/against will be awarded.
- 16.5. Incomplete *Match*
- 16.5.1. If during *divisional rounds* a *Match* is commenced and a justifiable cause prevents the minimum number of ends being completed for the *Match* to be 'deemed completed' under *Clause 16.3* then if the *Controlling Body* determines:
    - 16.5.1.1. That the result of an incomplete *Match* may affect the sides eligible for *Finals Play*, then the *Controlling Body* will reschedule the *Match* to be replayed at a time and place determined by the *Controlling Body*.

16.5.1.2. That the result of an incomplete *Match* will not affect the sides eligible for *Finals Play*, then that *Match* will not be replayed and no *Match Points*, *Rink Points* or shots for/against will be awarded.

16.6. Subject to the provisions of *Clause 20*, lights may be used to enable a game to be completed i.e. the number of ends played as specified in *Clause 14*.

## **17. REQUIREMENTS FOR STAMP ON BOWLS**

17.1. There is no requirement for players to have a current World Bowls stamp on the set of bowls used in Pennant competition, however, this *Clause* does not exempt the player from the requirements of *DR 2.2.1*, or from having their bowls challenged in accordance with *Law 8.3*

## **18. GREENS UNFIT FOR PLAY**

18.1. If a green is declared unfit for play by the *Controlling Body* and there has been insufficient time to notify the Side Managers before the start of play, those players already at the *Host Club* shall not leave until the *Controlling Body* has given approval.

18.2. In the event of a *Match* or *Matches* being transferred to another *Club's* Greens, competitors involved shall proceed there without delay and play their scheduled games.

## **19. GREEN FEES.**

19.1. For *Divisional Rounds*, Players will pay green fees to their home *Club*

19.2. For *Finals Play*, Green fees shall be paid to the *Host Club*. The *Controlling Body* will nominate the green fees to be paid by the players at the time of nominating the *Host Clubs* for *Finals Play*.

## **20. USE OF LIGHTS**

20.1. The decision to allow lights shall remain solely with the umpire who will take account of the prevailing conditions. Once the Umpire has decided that the use of lights is appropriate, the approval of their use lies solely with the *Host Club*.

## **21. TRIAL ENDS AND PRACTICE**

21.1. Two Trial ends (one up and one back) are allowed in accordance with *Law 18.1*

21.1.1. Trial Ends may commence 30 minute before the scheduled starting time for the game.

21.1.2. ,Trial ends shall cease 5 minutes before the scheduled starting time for the game as indicated by the ringing of a bell or similar.

21.1.3. After completion of Trial Ends, the game shall commence when indicated by the Umpire.

21.2. Practice is allowed in accordance with *Law 13*

21.2.1. Practice by members of pennant sides is allowed on the *Host Club* greens before pennant competition provided:

21.2.1.1. A Green is available.

21.2.1.2. Practice ceases 90 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the competition and

21.2.1.3. It is not acceptable for players to practice on their pennant allocated rinks

or by playing on the boundary pegs of those rinks.

## **22. USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

22.1. The use of electronic devices such as mobile phones, radios, paging devices etc by either players or spectators, is not permitted outdoors within ten metres of the Green. However, in special cases (doctors' pagers etc) a player may request exemption from this rule from the *Controlling Body* prior to the commencement of play.

## **23. SMOKING AND ALCOHOL**

23.1. Players must at all times adhere to any smoking and/or alcohol policy prominently displayed and in force at the *Host Club*. This may restrict where players can smoke and where alcohol can be consumed.

23.2. Any CDBA Executive representing the *Controlling Body* may approach and request that a player comply with the Host Clubs smoking and/or alcohol policy. Further infringement may result in that player being reported to the CDBA who may take disciplinary action and penalise the side as defined in *Clause 23.3*.

23.3. The *Controlling Body* shall have the power to penalise a side two (2) *Rink Points* for each infringement. Repeat offenders may be brought before the *Controlling Body* and be dealt with according to the conditions of play and the *District Constitution*.

## **24. ATTIRE**

24.1. Players shall conform with the following dress code prescribed for Pennant play:-

24.1.1. Dress requirements shall conform with Bowls Queensland By-Law 19.

24.1.2. All players in the side shall be similarly dressed in their *Club* uniform or whites.

24.1.3. The *Controlling Body* as part of a sponsorship agreement may issue players and officials with a competition cap or other apparel and specify conditions for the wearing of such apparel.

24.1.4. The *Controlling Body* shall have the power to penalise a side two (2) *Rink Points* for each infringement. Repeat offenders may be brought before the *Controlling Body* and dealt with according to the conditions of play and the *District Constitution*.

24.1.5. The *Controlling Body* shall exercise discretion where there are extenuating circumstances such as a player replacing an ill player (*Clause 9.2*)

## **25. SIDE MANAGER**

25.1. Each side will have a playing or non-playing manager. The name and telephone number of such manager will be shown on each competition result sheet.

## **26. DRAW FOR RINKS**

26.1. The draw for cards and rinks shall be carried out by the Side Managers at the *Host Club* at least half an hour before the scheduled starting time of the competition. Should the visiting side manager not be present at that time then the home Side Manager may randomly draw the allocation of rinks.

## **27. PROMOTION AND RELEGATION OF CLUBS**

27.1. Where possible, Clubs will be promoted or relegated in accordance with *Clauses 27.2* and

## 27.3

### 27.2. Men:

27.2.1. Subject to *Clause 6*, It is intended that promotion of finals winners and relegation of the lowest side in a Division will occur. However, due to *Clause 6.3.1*, promotion and relegation decisions will be subject to the availability of a position in divisions higher or lower and will be made by *the Controlling Body* at the time of the annual competition draw. The general procedure to be used shall be subject always to the *Controlling Body* being authorised to place nominations from clubs in divisions they deem appropriate, in order to achieve a fair and balanced competition.

27.2.1.1. The Pennant winner of divisions 2 and lower will be promoted to the next highest division provided the *Club* has no existing entry in that higher division

27.2.1.1.1. If the club already has a side in the next higher division then no promotion will take place.

27.2.1.1.2. Where no promotion takes place to the next highest division as a result of *Clause 27.2.1.1.1*, then relegation of the last placed side in that division to a lower division will be at the option of the *Controlling Body*.

27.2.1.2. Where the Pennant Winner of the next lowest division has been promoted under *Clause 27.2.1.1*, the last placed in that division will be relegated to the next lowest division in the competition (not the next lowest division in which the *Club* has an entry)

27.2.1.2.1. If a club already has a side in the next lowest division, then that side in turn will again be relegated to the next lowest division. This shuffle down will continue (if necessary) until a situation is reached where there are two sides in the lowest division;

27.2.1.2.2. If a further relegation then causes more than two sides in the lowest division, then unless the *Controlling Body* can place the side in an appropriate division which takes into account the need for a balanced and fair competition and subject to compliance with *Clause 27.2.1.1*, the club will forfeit one of its lowest division places.

27.2.2. Subject to the above and where possible sides will exit the competition only via the lowest division.

### 27.3. Ladies:

27.3.1. Except for Division 1, the Pennant winner of each division determined in accordance with *Clause 6.5.1.8*, will be promoted to the next highest division.

27.3.2. Except for the lowest Division played, the lowest ranked Club in each division, determined in accordance with *Clause 15* will be relegated to the next lowest division.

## 28. SCORECARDS

28.1. Except as otherwise directed, *Club* scorecards shall be used and scorecards for all games must be retained by Side Managers for a period of three weeks after the completion of the final.

## 29. REFRESHMENTS

- 29.1. **Men:** The *Host Club* shall provide refreshments free of charge. The *Host Club* shall announce prior to the start of play, whether there will be an interruption of play for afternoon tea and if so, at what time. Should there be no interruption to play, then refreshments (e.g. Tea, coffee and biscuits etc.) shall be made available after the game.
- 29.2. **Ladies:** There shall be no scheduled interruption to play for refreshments during the game, however, the *Host Club* shall provide, (for a fee payable by the players), a light lunch at the completion of the *Match*. (e.g. Tea, coffee and sandwiches, etc)

## 30. PENNANT BADGES

- 30.1. The winning *Club* will be provided with pennant badges for each of the players who played in the final i.e.
- 30.1.1. **Men:** All divisions - 14 badges (12 players plus 2 reserves)
- 30.1.2. **Ladies:** Divisions 1 and 2 – 14 badges (12 players plus 2 reserves)  
Division 3 and lower: - 11 badges (9 players plus 2 reserves)
- 30.2. A badge will be provided for the winning non-playing Team Manager in each division.
- 30.3. Additional badges paid for by their *Club*, may be ordered for any player who has played in any *divisional round* for the winning *Club*.
- 30.4. Pennant colours are as follows:
- |            |           |            |      |            |             |
|------------|-----------|------------|------|------------|-------------|
| Division 1 | Purple    | Division 2 | Navy | Division 3 | Red         |
| Division 4 | Green     | Division 5 | Gold | Division 6 | Light –Blue |
| Division 7 | Mid-Brown |            |      |            |             |

## 31. PENNANT FLAG

- 31.1. The winning *Club* will be presented with a pennant flag of a type and design decided by the *District*.

## 32. FORFEITS AND PENALTIES

- 32.1. An infringement of the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls* will invoke penalties as specified in the *Law Book*.
- 32.2. In the event of a *Club* not completing a series, the sides drawn against that *Club* in subsequent *Matches* will be allotted round *Match Points*, rink wins and shots for and against in accordance with *Clause 32.3* for each *Match* not completed.
- 32.3. In the event of a *Club* forfeiting a *Match*:
- 32.3.1. the *Club* receiving the forfeit shall be allotted two (2) *Match Points* plus two (2) *Rink Points* per rink and the average of the 'shots for' and 'shots against' calculated by averaging the 'shots for' and 'shots against' gained by the remaining completed *Matches* in that round in that division, each rounded to the nearest whole number (0.5 rounded up).
- 32.3.2. The side forfeiting shall be awarded no '*Match Points*', no '*Rink Points*' and the reverse of the average 'shots for' and 'shots against' as calculated in *Clause 32.3.1*.
- 32.3.3. The *Club* will be fined an amount of \$75 subject to the provisions of *Clause 32.4*
- 32.4. A *Club* forfeiting for a second time will be fined \$250 and disqualified for the remainder of

the competition.

- 32.5. Prior to the commencement of the competition, a *Club* that has obtained a certification in writing from a player who is subsequently found to be ineligible to play, will not be penalized except in *Finals Play* where *Clause 32.7* will apply
- 32.6. Where an ineligible Player is played by a *Club* in a round and the *Club*, in the view of the *Controlling Body*, has not taken all reasonable steps to ensure the players eligibility and/or where a *Club* and/or player has deliberately violated these rules:
- 32.6.1. For each occurrence the offending side will lose all 'Match Points' and 'Rink Points' gained in that round and the total 'shots for' shall be altered by reducing its total by 15 shots. In addition the offending *Club/player* will be disqualified from playing in the competition for a period determined by the *Controlling Body*.
- 32.6.2. For each occurrence the non-offending side shall receive two (2) 'Match Points' and two (2) 'Rink Points' on the rink where the offence occurred regardless of who won or lost the round but the total of 'shots for' will not unaltered.
- 32.6.3. For the second and each subsequent offence, in addition to the penalties imposed under *Clauses 32.6.1* and *32.6.2*, the player will be fined \$25.00. A player who becomes ineligible to play for any reason and does not inform their nominating *Club* will be disqualified from further participation in all or part of the competition and in addition may at the option of the *District*, be charged under the rules of the *District* and suffer such other penalties as the *District* may determine.
- 32.7. Notwithstanding *Clause 32.5*, when an ineligible Player is played by a *Club* in *Finals Play*, that *Club* will be disqualified.

### **33. PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THESE CONDITIONS.**

- 33.1. Where a penalty is not specified, the penalty for a breach of these conditions of play will be determined by the *Controlling Body* at its absolute discretion.

### **34. COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS PROCEDURE**

#### **34.1. General**

- 34.1.1. This procedure applies only to infringements of these Conditions of Play for Pennants. This procedure has been set up to ensure that where possible, complaints are resolved before the next round of the competition. General discipline and other matters outside the scope of the Conditions of Play are handled in accordance with the *District Constitution*.

#### **34.2. Lodging a Complaint**

- 34.2.1. A complaint against an infringement of the Pennant Conditions of Play may be lodged in a report from either of the Side Managers (notation on the Result Sheet), or in writing by a *District Official* or *Club* (issued under the signature of the *Club Secretary*) against a participant in this competition within 48 hours of the complaint becoming known to the complainant.

#### **34.3. Who shall handle complaint**

- 34.3.1. Upon receipt of a complaint the *District* secretary shall:-
- 34.3.1.1. Advise the player and their *Club* of the details of the complaint and advise them that they may make a written submission and/or have a right to be represented in accordance with *Clause 34.6* at the hearing.
- 34.3.1.2. Advise the player and their *Club* of the date, venue and time of the *Controlling Body* Hearing.

34.3.1.3. Provide the *Controlling Body* Chairperson with full details of the complaint.

#### 34.3.2. Investigation of the Complaint

34.3.2.1. The complaint will be investigated by the *Controlling Body* who shall meet within 3 days of receiving the complaint at the time, date and venue advised to the player and their *Club* in *Clause 34.3.1.2*

34.3.2.2. The decision of the *Controlling Body* will be given to the *Club*/player if present, at the conclusion of submissions (if any). If the *Club* or player is not in attendance the players *Club* will be advised of the outcome no later than 12:00 noon on the day following the *Controlling Body* hearing and the result will be confirmed in writing with the *Club* at the earliest practicable time.

#### 34.4. Right of Appeal

34.4.1. The Player or their *Club* has the right of appeal. Advice of intention to appeal together with any written submissions shall be lodged with the *District Secretary* no later than 12:00 noon on the second day following the player/*Club* being made aware of the decision by the *Controlling Body*.

34.4.2. The appeal hearing will be held on a date, and at a venue and time determined by the Appeal Tribunal (refer *Clause 34.5*), but no later than two (2) days after receipt of the appeal. The *District Secretary* shall advise the player and their *Club* of the details of the time, date and venue of the Appeal Tribunal Hearing and of their right to representation in accordance with *Clause 34.6*.

34.4.3. The decision of the Appeal Tribunal will be given to the *Club*/player if present, at the conclusion of submissions (if any). If the *Club* or player is not in attendance the players *Club* will be advised of the outcome no later than 12:00 noon on the day following the Appeals Tribunal hearing and the result will be confirmed in writing with the *Club* at the earliest practicable time.

34.4.4. The decision of the appeals tribunal shall be final.

#### 34.5. Appeal Tribunal

34.5.1. The appeal tribunal shall comprise, in accordance with By-Law 23 of the *CDBA* Constitution, three persons selected by the District President, who shall hear the complaint and make a determination.

#### 34.6. Representation

34.6.1. In respect of a *Controlling Body* and/or Appeals Tribunal Hearing, a person or *Club* who is the subject of a complaint shall:

34.6.1.1. have the right to present in writing or in person a response to the complaint

34.6.1.2. have the right to attend scheduled hearings and to call evidence and witnesses.

34.6.1.3. not be entitled to be represented by or have a solicitor, barrister or other agent attend any hearing.

34.6.1.4. A junior person shall be accompanied by a parent/ guardian.