



# Johannesburg Bowls Association

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## REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF PLAY FOURS / TRIPS / PAIRS AND SINGLES

These championships shall be conducted under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, South African edition, and shall be subject to the following local regulations and conditions of play:

- All competitors shall be bona fide members of clubs affiliated to the JBA.
- Each entry in the championship shall consist of bona fide members of the same club.

### 1. PLAYERS

- 1.1 UNDER 25 players are players who are under 25 when the event begins
- 1.2 A VETERAN is a player who has turned 60 when tournament play starts

### 2. TEAMS

- 2.1 The official declaration form recording the names of the player/s together with their Bowls South Africa numbers, must be completed by the singles player/skip of the team prior to the commencement of the first game in the championship.

A player may not be entered as a reserve if they are a member of another team in the same championship.

**FOURS/TRIPLES** - Only one reserve per team is permitted. This reserve may be introduced at any time.

**MIXED PAIRS** - Only one reserve of each gender is permitted. One of these reserves may be introduced at any time. One of the original members of the team must always be present on the green.

**PAIRS** - Only one reserve is permitted. This reserve may be introduced at any time.

**SINGLES** - Reserves do not apply.

- 2.2 Substitutes will not be allowed in any disciplines.

- 2.3 In the event of a breach of the above, the team concerned will be scratched.



### 3. PUNCTUALITY

- 3.1 Play shall commence at the time scheduled, unless otherwise instructed by the controlling body, but ten minutes grace shall be allowed. Players who arrive after the expiry of the ten-minute grace period will be scratched.
- 3.2 The appointed umpire may exercise his/her discretion when players are prevented from arriving on time at a green through circumstances beyond their control while in transit to the venue of play.
- 3.3 In this respect, the umpire's decision shall be final.

### 4. REPORTING FOR PLAY

- 4.1 Players must report at the time scheduled to play regardless of whether or not they have been advised of a team, or a player in the case of a singles championship, scratching.
- 4.2 Players carded in singles championships for second round matches are requested to report one hour before the scheduled starting time.
- 4.3 Teams may only scratch under extenuating circumstances. The following penalty will be enforced in the case of "no shows", etc. All members of the team will be prohibited from entering all JBA competitions for the period coinciding with the conclusion of the applicable competition in the following year.

### 5. ENDS TO BE PLAYED

#### 5.1 FOURS / TRIPLES / PAIRS -

The opening games shall be sectional play consisting of 3 (THREE) 15 end games. Once section winners have been determined, the format shall revert to knock-out play. These games shall also consist of 15 ends. If after 15 ends the scores are equal, a deciding end or ends shall be played.

**SINGLES -** The opening games shall be Sectional Play of 3 (THREE) games where the first player to score 21 shots in the game shall be the winner. Once section winners have been determined, the format shall revert to knock-out play.

#### 5.2 TRIAL ENDS

##### 5.2.1 SECTIONAL PLAY – TRIPS/PAIRS

1 x trial end is permitted on the commencement of the section's first round.

##### 5.2.2 SECTIONAL PLAY – FOURS/SINGLES

1 x trial end, in each direction may be played.

##### 5.2.3 KNOCK-OUT

1 x trial end, in each direction may be played

#### 5.3 BURNT ENDS

##### 5.3.1 SECTIONAL PLAY – FOURS/TRIPS/PAIRS

During the sectional play stage of a competition, there will be no burnt ends. The jack must be re-spotted on the 2m mark.

##### 5.3.2 KNOCK-OUT – FOURS/TRIPS/PAIRS

During the knock-out stage of a competition, burnt ends will be replayed.

##### 5.3.3 ALL PLAY – SINGLES

During all stages of play of this competition, burnt ends will be replayed.

## 6. SKIP'S RESPONSIBILITIES

It is an additional responsibility of each skip to ensure that:

- 6.1 They play the correct opponent in each round.
- 6.2 All burnt ends are dealt with as per 5.3 and the requirements of Law 19 are to be met.
- 6.3 All dead ends are dealt with as per Law 20

## 7. SCORING

- 7.1 Chalk score boards must not be used for singles semi-finals and finals (including Masters and President's Cup) tournaments. The score card is the official record.
- 7.2 One scorecard will be furnished for each game on which the names and initials of all players must be entered in capital letters. No nicknames are to be entered on the scorecard.
- 7.3 The umpire is authorised by the controlling body to scratch any team for failing to comply with the above instruction.
- 7.4 On completion of the game, the umpire must record on the scorecard the time the game finished. (Refer to point 10.2).

## 8. RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENT OF PLAYERS DURING PLAY

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

- Fours Championships** - The skips after delivery of their first bowl.
- Triples Championships** - The skips after delivery of their second bowl.
- Pairs Championships** - The skips after delivery of their second bowl.
- Singles Championships** - The players after delivery of their third bowl.

## 9. PRACTICE/WARMUP

Law 4 - Teams/player not playing for whatever reason, but due to play the next round, may practice on any rink allocated by the controlling body.

A team may warm up before any game, time allowing and with approval of the controlling body. Warm up shall be in the opposite direction of expected play. Warm up should not be deliberate play and no target such as a jack may be used however, bowls may be delivered to enable the player to warm/loosen up.

## 10. WEATHER CONDITIONS

In the event of inclement weather:

- 10.1 The onus shall be on the skip/singles player to report in person to the umpire at the scheduled start of play.
- 10.2 Players not present on the green within ten minutes of the time that the umpire declares play to commence, will be scratched from the championships.
- 10.3 In the event of fewer than 15 ends being completed, or in the case of a singles championship – 21 shots, play is suspended due to darkness or inclement weather, the game shall be continued either on the same or different day. The scores shall be as they were when the game was stopped.

## **11. ENQUIRIES AND DISPUTES**

- 11.1 The attention of competitors is drawn to Clause 8.2.1 of the JBA Constitution which reads as follows; “ It shall be competent for the Executive, after due investigation of the facts, and, if need be, the examination of witnesses and any relevant documentary evidence, to suspend or terminate the membership of any club or individual member or member body, but such club, individual member or member body, shall have the right of appeal, in the manner set out in Clause 7.5 of the JBA’s Constitution, to Council against any decision of the Executive”.
- 11.2 Complaints or disputes regarding any game must be lodged with the controlling body within ten (10) minutes of the completion of a game (refer to 13.4 below). The club official carrying out duties on behalf of the controlling body shall be competent to record the lodging of the complaint and must inform the controlling body as soon as possible. All complaints to the controlling body must be in writing and signed by the complainants.

## **12. DRESS**

In addition to the Regulations and Conditions of Play framed under the South African edition of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls:

- 12.1 The shirts worn by players must have conventional collars and be adequately buttoned at all times during play.
- 12.2 It must be borne in mind at all times that once clubs have had their colours approved, the wearing of these colours is only permissible if every team member wears them (i.e. the complete team), otherwise the standard white or cream clothing rule must apply.
- 12.3 Coloured footwear is permitted as well as ribbed soles with a limit of a 2mm maximum indentation and no protrusions.
- 12.4 The use of bowling gloves is permitted.
- 12.5 All players in the team competing in semi-finals and finals of all JBA tournaments must wear their club colours.

## **13. DISCIPLINE**

Disciplinary Code of Conduct of Bowls South Africa will be enforced in the Fours, Trips, Pairs and Singles Championships.

- 13.1 A player who verbally abuses or acts in an unbecoming and/or offensive manner towards the umpire, a player or spectator will be given a warning.
- 13.2 Foul language will not be tolerated in any form.
- 13.3 Should a player continue or repeat the offence, the umpire will immediately call off the game, and award a win to the opponent/s.
- 13.4 The player in question shall have the right to appeal, in writing, within 24 hours to the district, who will appoint a sub-committee to investigate the matter.

## **14. SMOKING / ALCOHOL / CELL PHONES**

- 14.1 Smoking (including artificial devices or e-cigarettes) will NOT be permitted on or near the greens during any JBA tournament while play is in progress. This applies to both technical officials and players.
- 14.2 Alcohol will NOT be permitted on or near the greens during any JBA tournament while play is in progress. This applies to both technical officials and players.

14.2 Cell phones will NOT be permitted on the greens in any JBA tournament while play is in progress. In the event of an emergency, cell phones may be used 2m from the green. This applies to both technical officials and players.

**15. DECALS**

It should be noted that the JBA permits the use of club decals on bowls, provided that ALL team members have the same decals on both sides of their bowls.

**16. GREENS**

16.1 All greens are to be strung for six rinks.

16.2 For all championship events, the outside boundary of an end rink shall not be less than 600mm from the side ditch.

16.3 Except with permission of the controlling body, players shall not be moved from one green to another on any one day.

**17. TEAS**

Clubs are required to provide teas for competitors on Sunday morning and Saturday afternoon. Payment for this tea is not compulsory at the respective club's tariff. The tea break will be taken after the first round of play.

There is no tea break on Sunday afternoon.

# **INSTRUCTIONS TO UMPIRES**

1. Be fully acquainted with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Domestic Regulations and Conditions of Play. Have a copy of the law book in your possession.
2. For a singles championship in the knock-out stages, the hosting club will be responsible for providing the required number of qualified markers. Players who have been previously eliminated may be asked to assist with marking if necessary.
3. A fully-equipped umpire's box and approved lightning meter must be available at all times. Cell phone applications may not be used instead of lightning meters.
4. Umpires must be in constant attendance at the green to which he/she has been appointed. Participation in any club game, or any other activity whilst on duty is prohibited.
5. It is important that following a stoppage of play, players are not permitted to leave the venue/club until the green has been declared unfit for play.
6. Contact must be made with a competition steward (listed below) in case of a dispute or situation not covered by the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, South African edition, local regulations or conditions of play.

## **STEWARDS FOR COMPETITIONS**

LANCE SAYCE – 083 775 1669  
DIRK MALOMGRE – 082 451 0768  
ANSELM MCLEAN – 082 823 7335

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## **ADVICE OF RESULTS TO THE JBA**

At the completion of play at the club, kindly ensure that the result sheets are faxed, emailed or delivered to the JBA office before 09h00 on the Monday morning following play.

The scorecards and declaration forms must be delivered to the JBA office on completion of the tournament.

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