



# Johannesburg Bowls Association

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## REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF PLAY MEN'S MIDWEEK LEAGUE

This League shall be conducted under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, South African Edition (3<sup>rd</sup> 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 entered in the championship shall consist of bona fide members of the same club.

### 1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1. There is no limit to the number of club members from which a fours team may be drawn. Players may be drawn from any section or sub-section, except from their own, during the first round-robin. For any player replacement or exceptional circumstances during the second round-robin, the Section Captain to make a ruling and advise the office accordingly.
- 1.2. All competitors shall be bona fide members of clubs affiliated to the JBA and shall comply with the dress regulation. Refer to Clause 14.
- 1.3. A player moving from one club to another within the District during the season may play for the new club provided they have resigned from the previous club and has been registered with the District and Bowls South Africa at the new club.
- 1.4. A player having membership of more than one club may not, under any circumstances, play for another club of which they are a member, after having played one game for the club for which they first elected to play.
- 1.5. Each fours team shall consist of bona fide members of the same club.
- 1.6. Should a team include an ineligible player/s, all points for the match will be awarded to the team not at fault. Should both teams include an ineligible player/s, no points will be awarded for the match.

### 2. TIME OF PLAY

Play will begin at 13h30. A grace period of not more than ten minutes will be allowed. The date and time of any fixture shall not be altered. The league fixtures have been drawn up for the benefit of all players and clubs are requested to ensure that all participants honour their obligations by arriving at the venue of play at the stated time, irrespective of the weather conditions.

### 3. TRIAL ENDS

Trial ends are NOT permitted.

### 4. DEAD ENDS

Burnt ends are to be re-spotted on the 2m centre mark.

## 5. GREENS

These shall be laid out so that the outside boundary of an end rink shall not be less than 0.5m from the side ditch.

## 6. TEAS

There will be no teas. A fee of R25 per player will be charged which will cover the green fees and the supply of snacks after the game.

## 7. ABANDONMENT

Captains in conjunction with the section skips may make this decision for their respective sections as weather conditions may not affect all sections.

## 8. INCLEMENT WEATHER

All matches shall be of 21 ends duration, but should inclement weather or any other valid reason prevent completion of 21 ends, a game shall be considered as having been completed when a minimum of 15 ends have been played. Games where 15 ends have not been completed, the points will be shared as per clause 9.3.

## 9. SCORING

9.1 1 (ONE) point per end.

9.2 3 (THREE) points for the overall. Total of 24 points per game

9.3 Matches **NOT** completed by 15<sup>th</sup> end, all points accumulated will remain with each team, with the remaining points including the bonus points being divided between the two teams

9.4 Matches completed on or after 15<sup>th</sup> ends, all points accumulated will remain with each team, with the winning team getting the bonus points with the remaining points being divided between the two teams.

9.5 Matches not commenced will be regarded as drawn.

## 10. LEAGUE FORMAT

### 10.1 SECTIONS

The league will consist of 3 Sections of 14 teams and 1 Section of 12 teams, playing a round-robin of 13 and 11 games respectively.

## 11. SECTION WINNERS

At the conclusion of the sectional play, teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> from each Section will gain entry to the play-offs for the Stan Dench Trophy and the teams in 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> position from each Section will gain entry to the play-offs for the Jack Rahn Shield. The format of play will be on a knock-out basis at a venue to be advised.

## 12. CAPTAINS FOR SECTIONS

A captain for each section will be appointed and they will be the official Umpire unless one has been appointed by the staging club. They MUST telephone the JBA Office - (011) 880 8000 or Fax (011) 880 8001 or 086 652 5124, the completed score card by no later than 09h30 the next day. Should fax facilities not be available and the results are telephoned through to the Office, then score cards must be posted / handed to the Office thereafter.

## 13. DISPUTES

Any appeal against the outcome of any league match must be received in writing by the Competition Convenor not later than 6 days after the completion of the match in question.

## 14. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

The winners will play for the Wednesday League Stan Dench Trophy (Section A) and the Jack Rahn Shield (Section B). The winners and runners-up will receive prizes.

## **15. DRESS**

In addition to regulations framed under the Crystal Mark Edition of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, the bowls shirts worn by players must have conventional collars and be adequately buttoned. It must be borne in mind that once clubs have had their colours approved, the wearing of these colours is only permissible if every member of a team wears them (i.e. a complete fours team), otherwise the standard white or cream clothing rule must apply. Total uniformity is required to ensure that clothing is seen to be smart and to maintain a good image in bowls.

## **16. ALCOHOL/CELL PHONES**

No alcohol nor cell phones are permitted within 2 metres of the green during play.