## BNW COASTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS CONDITIONS OF PLAY

This document is concerned only with BNW Coastal Championship events for which Bowls North West is the Controlling Body.

## Bowls North West - BNW COP Coastal Championships

RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS: BNW CEO
AUTHORITY: BNW Board
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## GENERAL CONDITIONS - ALL EVENTS

## Uniforms

- all players in all events shall wear only BNW Club approved uniforms and footwear.
- Slow 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:
- (i) On the first occasion the umpire will warn the player.
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) If the player offends a third time the game will be forfeited to the opponent.
- The Event Supervisor reserves the right to alter the format, times of play and greens (including changing surface from grass to synthetic including indoor surfaces) to suit unforeseen circumstances including inclement weather, giving as much notice as practical.
- Where an event is interrupted or cannot be completed due to inclement weather or local conditions, the Event Supervisor may amend the format and


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length of games to achieve a result or abandon the event where an outcome cannot be achieved, and points will be shared.

## BNW COASTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - General Conditions

- All Championships will be Gender Specific (unless otherwise specified)
- The Controlling Body for the Championships shall be Bowls North West.
- Bowls North West is responsible for the draw.
- Byes shall be filled after the closing date but before the draw is released.
- In the event of there being a bye in a section, the winner of that section will not be given a bye in post sectional play.
- All players wishing to enter championships at any level shall be registered with Bowls Tasmania and Bowls North West.
- All bowls used in the event shall meet such eligibility criteria as required in current Laws of the Sport of Bowls. However, for events described in this document, bowls DO NOT REQUIRE an up-to-date World Bowls stamp.
- Competitions will be Open or B Grade. Players will be deemed to be eligible for B Grade if they have played the majority of their games in the current season in Division 2 or below for Saturday Pennant and Division 3 and below for Thursday Pennant as at close of entries for an event.
- The number of ends/bowls shall be as determined by the Controlling Body.
- All Games shall be played without a break.
- Defeated players in Singles must be available as markers for the next round in knock-out competition.
- Should a player/team/marker not appear at the scheduled time for play, without reason acceptable to the Regional Match Committee, each such player shall be subject to a fine of up to $\$ 50$ and/or be ineligible to play in the same event in the following season.
- An intended player may withdraw by notifying the Secretary of the Controlling Authority not less than 48 hours before the scheduled commencement of play.
- Withdrawal after this time shall be treated as follows:
- In the case of a Singles player, the game will be awarded to the opponent as a forfeit if the qualified intended player withdraws after the draw has been finalised by the region holding the event.
- In the case of a Team event, a replacement may be allowed in accordance with the Laws of the Game.
- In the case of a Team event, a replacement team may be allocated at the discretion of the Tournament Director with BNW approval.
- Sectional play may be used for initial rounds if desired by Controlling Body.


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- The bowls being used by players who are members of composite teams (from more than one Club) shall either all carry identical stickers, or none shall carry any stickers at all.
- Where two teams from the same club are playing each other, they may retain their discs if the skips, or opponents in singles agree, or they will draw for the right to retain discs. In the event of any conflict, the Umpire's decision shall be final.
- The draw for sectional and knockout play shall be in the form of an open draw.
- The Controlling Body shall have responsibility for the entire management of the event, with power to alter conditions if deemed necessary.
- Bowls North West will determine each season as to what format the games will take.


## OPEN BNW CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT

- Singles: To be knockout play, 25 shots up each game.
- Pairs: Four (4) bowl crossover ( $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$ ) MEN \& WOMEN All Open Draw, Post \& Quarter Final - 15 ends, Semi Final \& Grand Finals - 18 ends.
- Triples: Two (2) bowl. All Open Draw, Post \& Quarter Final, Semi \& Grand Finals - 18 ends.
- Fours: Two (2) bowl. Open Draw, Post \& Quarter - 15 ends, Semi \& Grand Final - 18 ends.


## BNW Responsibilities and Role

- Nominate the Host Clubs.
- Formulate the Draw.
- Provide Championship Score Cards.
- Provide a COP for BNW Coastal Championships to Host Clubs.
- Provide BNW Medals and Prize Forms.


## Host Club Responsibilities and Role

- Allocate rinks as per agreement with region.
- Provide mats, jacks and scoreboards for each rink.
- Provide a Master Score board/s.
- Provide workspace and display area for the match manager to allocate cards and update results sheets.


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- Provide markers for round 1 and possible round 2 of singles.
- Provide Umpires and Measurers.
- Provide Canteen style meals for players and spectators.
- Ensure Tournament Director is kept informed on current results, including final result/s at the end of each day.
- All results emailed to CEO of BNW.
- Follow any BNW Sponsorship Agreements.
- Optional: run individual fundraising activities, i.e., Raffles, etc.

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