

## Club Competitions Rules and Conditions 2023-2024

The Club Competitions are open to ALL paid-up playing members of EDIBC.

Competitions will be played under the Laws of the Game, as approved by the EIBA, with the exceptions of local amendments.

- 1. Competitors must adhere to the format of play as instructed by the Competition Secretary.
- 2. All entrants must be available for the Finals weekend and will need to withdraw from the competition as the earliest opportunity if their situation changes, unless involved in a National or County Final. The Competition Secretary MUST be notified in all cases.
- 3. The Challenger is the first named in the draw for each match.
- 4. The Challenger shall offer 2 dates not less than 14 days before the closing date of the opening round or within 5 days after the closing date of the previous round; must include an evening or weekend. In the event of this not happening the second named will become the Challenger. Choice of the date must be confirmed within 72 hours. Being on holiday is not sufficient reason for demanding alternative dates, but inability to play through extenuating circumstances will be considered by the Competition Secretary. Common sense must prevail, as the aim is to complete the competitions by the due dates.
- 5. The Challenger must book the match on Bowlr or via the Office.
- 6. No competitor is permitted to play on the same rink, before a match, on the same day.
- 7. If a competitor or team fails to report within 15 minutes of the appointed time, the game will be awarded to the opponent(s). They in turn must pay their rink fees and submit a signed scorecard claiming a walkover.
- 8. In Singles, the first named in the draw must arrange the Marker.
- 9. There can be no substitute in the Singles competition. In other competitions the players taking part in the first game will constitute the team. One additional, and the same player may be used as a substitute, provided, they have not played in that competition. In Mixed competitions only, more than one substitute may be allowed provided the team remains equally mixed.
- 10. No player who has entered a competition, Pairs, Triples or Fours, may enter the same competition with another partner or team, nor be a substitute, whether a round has been played or not.
- 11. All Pairs, Triples & Fours competition matches shall be 18 ends or 3.5hrs hours long, whichever is reached first, then the game is concluded. The start time must be marked on the Scorecard at the beginning of all games and the end time when the match is completed. If the teams are tied after this time there will be a toss for the mat/jack and an extra end will be played.

- 12. Two trial ends of 2 woods per player, to be played before the start time is recorded on the scorecard, unless BOTH teams agree not to play these.
- 13. Ladies & Men's Singles. The Club wishes to enter our Club Champions in the Champion of Champions National Competitions, therefore, all Men's and Ladies Singles matches will be played to 21 shots, unless a game is conceded, and as full games i.e., 2 trial ends and visiting the Head as necessary.
- 14. In all competitions the Jack will be rolled (EIBA rules to apply).
- 15. Dead End. Use of the respots does NOT apply. If the Jack is driven beyond the confines of the rink, during play, the end is declared dead and shall be replayed from the original end.
- 16. Scorecards must be signed by both opponents and returned to the Office.
- 17. The Finals are played as full games, with no time limit & 2 trial ends & visiting the Head as necessary. The dress code is Club Shirt & Whites;

SINGLES = 21 shots
PAIRS = 18 ends
AUSSIE PAIRS = 18 ends
TRIPLES = 18 ends
TWO WOOD TRIPLES = 18 ends
FOURS = 18 ends

18. Any points not covered by the EIBA rules and conditions, will be decided jointly by the relevant Competition Secretary and any other committee member.

NB: It is a condition of entry to the Men's Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours & O/60 2 Wood Triples Club Competitions that where there is a Hampshire County Competition, for which the Club Finalists shall proceed to, then that must occur. Members must ensure before proceeding to Club Finals that they are available to play at the County Final stages. Members who have a problem with the dates are expected to discuss with the Competition Secretary as soon as possible so that a suitable decision can be made.