



GBR MEN'S OVER 60 PAIRS 2023/24

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

ALL Matches will be played in accordance with the
Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 4th Edition & BA DR April 2023

- 1. Controlling Body** Geelong Bowls Region Championship Committee
- 2. Event** GBR Men's Over 60 Pairs
- 3. Dates** 7th, 8th, 9th & 15th October, 2023
- 4. Venues** Lara BC & Bannockburn BC
- 5. Starting Times**
 - 5.1.** Region Championship Committee will set start times for events.
 - 5.2.** A player or team who is not available to play within 30 minutes of the appointed time for commencing the match will automatically forfeit the match.
- 6. Entry Conditions**
 - 6.1.** Open to all Bowls Victoria affiliated Male bowlers 60 years of age or over as at 1st October, 2023.
 - 6.2.** Composite teams permitted however players must be from clubs within the same Region.
 - 6.3.** Entries received after the closing date **cannot be accepted.**
- 7. Format of Play**
 - 7.1.** Four bowls per player, played 2x2x2x2
 - 7.2.** All rounds including final 12 ends.
 - 7.3.** All rounds knockout format (number of games per day set by Region)
- 8. Draw**
 - 8.1.** A blind open draw will be conducted by the Region Championship Committee.
 - 8.2.** Once the draw has been published, no late entries can be accepted, and the draw will not be changed.
- 9. Trial Ends**
 - 9.1.** One trial end in each direction may be permitted prior to the commencement time and must be completed before the scheduled start time.
- 10. Restricted Movement of Players (Appendix A4)**
 - 10.1.** After delivering their first bowl, players will only be allowed to walk up to the head:
 - 10.1.1** Leads – after delivery of their third and fourth bowls
 - 10.1.2** Skips – after delivery of their second, third and fourth bowls
- 11. Slow Play – Delaying Play**
 - 11.1.** If the umpire, either by observation or on appeal by an opponent or the Controlling Body, decides a player is deliberately delaying play
 - 11.1.1.** On the first occasion the umpire will warn the player.
 - 11.1.2.** If the player repeats the same offence a second time, the end will be regarded as completed and their opponents will be awarded as many shots as there are bowls in use by such opponents.
 - 11.1.3.** If the player offends a third time the game will be forfeited to the opponents.



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12. Player Protection

- 12.1.** No player protection

13. Footwear and Attire

- 13.1.** Bowls Victoria Regulations for Attire will apply to all rounds.
13.2. Composite teams may wear alternative apparel provided it adheres to Bowls Victoria Regulations for Attire Policy.

14. Bowls Identification Discs

- 14.1.** Players are not required to use bowls discs. If they are used, all players in the Team must use a disc of the same colour/de.

15. Other Laws, Regulations & Policies

- 15.1.** The Championship will be played in accordance with the current Laws of the Sport of Bowls, the BA Domestic Regulations and the 2023/24 BV State Championship Events Conditions of Play.
15.2. GBR Reg 2 Weather Policy applies (incl. **Heat policy 36oC**).
15.3. Bowls Victoria has introduced the following: -
15.3.1 A Region conducting a State event has the power to apply a penalty to a player and/or team who has nominated for a State event but fails to appear at the appointed time without advising the Controlling Body at least 24 hours prior to the start of the event.
15.3.2 The onus is on the player and/or team to provide satisfactory reason for their non-appearance. Such penalty shall be \$50 per player for each occasion, payable within 21 days from the date of the event. Failure to make payment within this time will result in the person/s being ineligible to participate in further State events for a period of 12 months from the date of the offence.

The Controlling Body has the right to alter the conditions of play if necessary.