

## GBR MEN'S VETERANS CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS SINGLES 2023/24 CONDITIONS OF PLAY

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

1. Controlling Body Geelong Bowls Region Championship Committee

**2. Event** GBR Men's Veterans Champion of Champions Singles

**3. Dates** 31<sup>st</sup> January, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

**4. Venues** Point Lonsdale Bowls Club & Torquay Bowls Club

#### 5. Starting Times

- **5.1.** Region Championship Committee will set start times for events.
- **5.2.** A player 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 GBR Male Affiliated bowlers, 70 years of age or over at commencement of event who are the Veteran Singles Champion of a club in the current season having played 21-up in that championship. Substitutes are not permitted.
- **6.2.** Entries received after the closing date **cannot be accepted.**
- **6.3.** Defeated players may be required to mark in subsequent rounds.

#### 7. Format of Play

- **7.1.** Four Bowls per player.
- **7.2.** All rounds including final 21 shots-up (shots in excess of 21 will not count).
- **7.3.** All rounds knockout Play (number of games per day set by Region)

#### 8. Draw

- **8.1.** A blind 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 after delivery of their 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 opponent will be awarded as many shots as there are bowls in use by their opponent.



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**11.1.3.** If the player offends a third time the game will be forfeited to the opponent.

## 12. Player Protection

**12.1.** No player protection given.

#### 13. Footwear and Attire

**13.1.** Bowls Victoria Regulations for Attire will apply to all rounds.

## 14. Other Laws, Regulations & Policies

- **14.1.** 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
- **14.2.** GBR Reg 2 Weather Policy applies (incl. **Heat policy 36oC**).

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