

# GBR MEN'S OVER 60 SINGLES 2024/25 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 Over 60 Singles

**3. Dates** 16<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025

**4. Venues** Lara BC & Bareena BC

# 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 all Bowls Victoria affiliated Male bowlers 60 years of age or over as at 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.
- **6.2.** Entries received after the closing date **cannot be accepted.**

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



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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.

## 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 2024/25 BV State Championship Events Conditions of Play.
- **14.2.** GBR Reg 2 Weather Policy applies (incl. **Heat policy 36oC**).
- **14.3.** Bowls Victoria has introduced the following: -
  - **14.3.1** Players must not leave the venue on game day until eliminated from the competition and not required to mark a game. Game times may be moved, and/or extra games scheduled by the Controlling Body as required for the effective running of the event.
  - **14.3.2** 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.
  - **14.3.3** 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.