

2019-20 Region & Division Pennant Conditions of Play – Summary of Changes

1. Introduction

The introduction now includes the following statement:

No laws governing a sport can cope with every situation, and the laws governing the sport of bowls is no exception. The Laws of the Sport of Bowls have been drawn up in the spirit of true sportsmanship. So, if a situation arises that is not covered by the laws or these Conditions of Play, players and officials must use their common sense and a spirit of fair play to decide the appropriate course of action.

2. Selection of Sides

Clarification of the selection process

- 11.1 Sides will be filled by available players in descending order of ability and consistent with the restrictions on positions each sex may play.
- 11.2 The Club's lowest numbered side can play with one or more teams playing ONE player short in accordance with DR 2.6.

3. Conduct & Behaviour

Coaches and Officials included in expected standard of behaviour.

- 42. Player, Coach and Officials conduct & behaviour
 - 42.1. All players, Coaches and Officials are required to conduct themselves in a polite and sports like manner when participating or officiating in a Metropolitan Pennant Competition and not in any of the following behaviours:
 - 42.1.1. act in an abusive, threatening, or intimidating manner;
 - 42.1.2. use obscene, offensive, abusive, threatening, or intimidating language;
 - 42.1.3. act in an unsportsmanlike manner;
 - 42.1.4. threaten any person with physical violence or assault;
 - 42.1.5. assault any person;
 - 42.1.6. act in a manner likely to bring the sport of bowls into disrepute; or
 - 42.1.7. act in a manner likely to bring Bowls Victoria into disrepute.
 - 42.2. A failure to comply can result in the Umpire applying an Instantaneous Penalty (Clause 46) and/or disciplinary action taken in accordance with Disciplinary Breaches (Clause 4).

4. Pennant Permit

Addition to the Pennant Permit

- 48.6 A player with a Pennant Permit may not play in the Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours Championships of a Region/Division other than that of their Nominated Club and is not eligible to represent a Region/Division other than that of their Nominated Club.

5. Pennant Check Form

- 21. Alteration to a pennant check form
 - The time limit for seeking an alteration to a Pennant result is reduced from 14 days to 5 days.

6. Photographs, Videos and Livestreaming

- 55.1 Bowls Victoria reserves the right to use any photographs, video or live streaming during pennant for further promotional requirements.
- 55.2 Bowls Victoria encourages third party live broadcasting; however, this requires prior approval from Bowls Victoria. This can be done by e-mailing media@bowlsvic.org.au.