



BOWLS GOLD COAST TWEED
2021 "MAX MORRIS MEMORIAL SEVENS"



CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. Authority
 - (a) All play shall be in the charge of BGCT (the Controlling Body). The controlling body shall have the power to enquire into and adjudicate on any disputes or problems that may occur.
 - (b) Infringement of any of these conditions of play by a Club or player shall invoke disqualification (player), loss of points or game (Club), as is determined by the Controlling Body.
 - (c) Under normal circumstances following the making of the draw, no other fixture shall interfere with this competition.
 - (d) Matches will be played on **Saturday at 8:45am (EST)**, or at another mutually agreed time negotiated between the two opposing Clubs. **Trial ends commence at 8:30am.**

2. Laws

All competitions will be conducted under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls and Domestic Regulations in Australia and these conditions of play (Crystal Mark 3.1 Edition 2019).

3. Sectional Play shall consist of a number of teams determined by the Controlling Body (dependent on nominations received) in 4 individual divisional disciplines:

Division One	-	Pennant Players from Divisions 1-3
Division Two	-	Pennant Players from Divisions 4-6
Division Three	-	Pennant Players from Divisions 7 and lower
Division Four	-	Players 60 years old & over

4. Scoring in Sectional Play
 - (a) The side scoring the greatest number of shots in each match at the end of play shall be declared the winner.
 - (b) Two (2) points shall be awarded for each discipline win, to a maximum of six (6) points/side win.
 - (c) In the event of a tied score, each side will be awarded one point.
 - (e) Match points will be recorded, together with shots for and against and ends won.
 - (f) Result Sheets will match the above scoring.
 - (g) Ladder Criteria the side scoring the greatest number of match points and, in the event two or more sides score equal match points, the side with the best shots for and against margin shall be the winner. In the event these are equal, overall ends won will determine the winner.

5. Eligibility
 - (a) In addition to player eligibility described above, any player playing Premier league in the current year is NOT eligible to participate in this competition.

There shall be NO lateral movement of players within a Division after three (3) rounds of the competition.

6. Interruptions
 - (a) If inclement weather or any other justifiable cause should prevent play, games so affected shall be declared a draw and the points shared.

 - (b) In the event of a game or games being stopped, the games so affected shall be declared complete if a total of 48 ends or more have been completed – points awarded on a win-loss basis at the time of stoppage. If 48 ends have not been completed, the game shall be deemed a draw and the points shared.

7. Format
Three Games of Sectional play, as follows
Pairs - 2x2x2x2 - 18 Ends
Pairs - 3x3 - 24 Ends
Triples - 2x2x2 - 24 Ends
8. Penalties; Forfeits; Byes
(a) Any infringement of these conditions will subject a side to a loss of all points for that game. A nil margin or the negative shots margin scored shall be recorded to the offending Club and the match points will be awarded to the non-offending Club.
(b) In the event of a forfeit during sectional play, the side receiving forfeit shall receive maximum game points. The side responsible for the forfeit shall have 2 match points deducted from their total.
(c) In the event of an incomplete side the vacancy may be filled by the side manager and/or captain and if they are not available, the position may be filled by an affiliated male/female member.
If (b) or (c) cannot be organised, the game shall be forfeit.
9. Attire
All players shall wear their Club playing uniform, or whites.
10. Miscellaneous
(a) The date and commencement of the Max Morris Memorial Sevens season shall be determined by the Board of Bowls Gold Coast Tweed.

(b) The start time for all sectional games shall be as above and any player arriving late shall be granted 30 minutes grace unless special circumstances are agreed to by the Controlling Body.

(c) The entry Fee for each side is \$440 (includes \$40 GST), or as determined by the Board, payable to BGCT. Clubs will be invoiced from the District prior to Competition commencement.

(d) Mat Fees of \$10 per player during sectional games shall be retained by the Host Club and should be used in some part for appropriate catering for all players and officials present on game day.

(e) The Host Club is responsible for the provision of an Accredited National Umpire (preferably a non-player), whose name shall be announced before the trial ends at the calling of the cards.

(f) Junior players are eligible to participate, however they may be required to sign the Social Media Photography Consent and Release Form, in the event of a live-streamed game.

(g) The Games Director at the Home Club shall act as the BGCT Deputy for the day.

(h) No electronic communications devices (switched on) by players or spectators are to be within 6 metres of the green while a match is in progress.

(i) Dead ends are replayed

(j) The Controlling Body retains the right to conduct the event on synthetic, natural or covered green, or any combination thereof.

(k) All enquiries should be directed to the Match Chairman, David Baker on 0412 226 201 or email match@gctbowls.org.au