

2021 NSW Over 40s Pairs



Conditions of Play

1. Introduction

All matches shall be played in line with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls.

These Conditions of Play are specifically to govern the conduct of the NSW Over 40s Pairs.

They should be read as an appendix to the Bowls NSW Conditions of Play.

All terms, definitions and interpretations not specifically covered in the NSW Over 40s Pairs Conditions of Play are as defined in the Bowls NSW Conditions of Play.

2. Definitions

2.1. Bowls NSW

Means the Royal NSW Bowling Association Limited, trading as Bowls NSW.

2.2. Over 40s Bowler

Means a bowler who is registered as a member of a club with Bowls NSW and who is Aged 40 years or over as at 10/10/2021 AND Aged 59 years or under as at 10/10/2021.

Qualification dates are judged as at date of the State Final.

3. Controlling Body

Bowls NSW is the Controlling Body.

Where an event is not specifically covered in this section the Bowls NSW Conditions of Play apply.

4. General

4.1. Eligibility

To enter and play, a player must be registered with Bowls NSW and be aged 40 years or over AND aged 59 years or under as at 10/10/2021.

4.1.1. Penalty

Player or Team disqualified from the competition.

4.2. Entries

Nominations for the event, showing the player(s) Registration Number(s), accompanied by the applicable entry fee on the prescribed form or completed online made to Bowls NSW.

Late entries will not be accepted.

5. NSW Over 40s Pairs

5.1. Composition of Teams

Players in a team are required to have the same declared club for the current season.

5.2. Qualifying Play

Competition shall be conducted as Sectional, Knockout or combination of both, as determined by Bowls NSW. The preferred method of play shall be sectional followed by knockout.

Section winners shall proceed to knockout. Regional winners will proceed to State Finals Series.

5.2. Practice

Is permitted (if Host venue has green space and/or greens are ready for play) up until 10 mins prior to starting signal (see 5.4.).

5.3. Trial Ends

There will be NO trial ends prior to any match.

5.4. Duration of Matches

Duration of matches shall be: 18 ends

Time limit: Each match shall be limited to 2 hours and 15 minutes.

A signal will be given to commence matches.

When the time limit is reached a signal will be given that the time limit has been reached.

At the conclusion of the time limit any end in progress shall be completed, but no further ends commenced.

5.4.1. Variations

The Controlling Body may alter the duration of matches to allow the competition to brought to a successful conclusion.

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6. Number of Bowls to be Used

The number of bowls used shall be:

3 bowls per player, played singularly and alternately in the order lead 3 bowls, skip 3 bowls.

6.1. Re-spotting the Jack

If a jack in motion passes completely outside the boundaries of the rink or rebounds to a distance less than 18m from the mat line the end shall not be declared dead, but the jack re-spotted on the 2m mark.

7. Restricting Movement of Players

Leads: After delivery of their 3rd bowl

Skips: After delivery of their 2nd and 3rd bowls (Skips must be at head end prior to commencement of any end).

The skips shall both move to the mat end together, after all lead bowls have been delivered in that end.

8. Determining Winners in Sectional Matches

In each match of sectional play points shall be awarded as follows:

Win 3 Points (Team scoring the highest number of shots)

Tie (Draw) 1 Point (Teams score equal number of shots)

Loss 0 Points (Team scoring the lesser number of shots)

The winner of the Sectional Series of Matches shall be determined as follows:

- (i.) The team scoring the highest number of points shall be declared the winner
- (ii.) If two or more teams are equal on points, the team with the largest difference between 'total shots for' and 'total shots against' shall be the winner.
- (iii.) If there is still a tie, the team with the lowest 'total shots against' shall be the winner.
- (iv.) If there is still a tie the team with the higher number of ends won shall be declared the winner.
- (v.) If two teams remain tied, the winner of the match between those teams shall be declared the winner.

9. Prizes

State Champions and Runners Up will receive Bowls NSW Medallions.

- Champions: \$750.00 per person
- Runners Up: \$500.00 per person
- Defeated Semi Finalists: \$200.00 per person
- Defeated Quarter Finalists: \$100.00 per person
- All State Finalists will receive \$100.00 per person upon arrival to cover some expenses.

Number of prizemoney placings and totals will be determined upon number of entries and may be subject to change.

10. Key Dates

Monday 7 June – Entries Close

Saturday 17 July – Sectional Matches; 1st Knockout Stage

Sunday 18 July – Regional Knockout Matches

Saturday 9 October – State Finals

Sunday 10 October – State Finals (schedule TBA)