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## 1. GENERAL

Every competition shall be played under the Rules of the appropriate National Body and shall be controlled by the Association Committee

## 2. ELIGIBILITY

The competitions shall be confined to clubs or members of such clubs as have joined the Association and have paid their subscriptions for the current year. No restriction shall be placed on any member playing in more than one competition, but no player shall play for more than one club in any of the competitions, including the Club Championship, for the same year. For County Championships a competitor shall be 12 years of age or over on May 1st in the year in which he competes

## 3. ENTRANCE FEES

Club Championship and Competition entry fees shall be fixed by the Delegates Committee

## 4. COMPETITIONS

### 4.1 SINGLES COMPETITIONS

(a) 2 Bowl Singles
(b) 4 Bowl Singles
(c) Under 25 Singles ( 2 bowl, players to be under 25 on the first day of September in the year in which the competition is played)
(d) Senior Singles (2 bowl, players to be 65 or over on the first day of May in the year which the competition is played)
(e) Secretary Singles (2 bowl, open to national, county association and registered club secretaries)
(f) Champion of Champions Singles (2 bowl, open to winners of club EBF 2 bowl singles competition)

### 4.2 PAIRS COMPETITION

(a) Each pair shall consist of two members of the same club
(b) Each game shall consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player, the leads to play their 2 bowls before the skips

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(c) The two players taking part in the first game must include at least one of the named players from the original entry and shall constitute the pair. They should normally play together throughout the competition. One additional - and the same - player may however be used as a substitute at any time provided he has not already played in the competition and is eligible to play.

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### 4.3 SENIOR PAIRS COMPETITION

(a) Each pair shall consist of two members of the same club
(b) Each player to be 65 or over on the first day of May in the year which the competition is played
(c) Each game shall consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player, the leads to play their 2 bowls before the skips In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(d) The two players taking part in the first game must include at least one of the named players from the original entry and shall constitute the pair. They should normally play together throughout the competition. One additional - and the same - player may however be used as a substitute at any time provided he has not already played in the competition and is eligible to play.

### 4.4 MIXED PAIRS COMPETITION

(a) Each pair must include a member of the C.C.W.B.A and a member of the C.C.B.A. They do not need to be members of the same club
(b) Each game will consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player, the leads to play their two bowls before the skips

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(c) The two players taking part in the first game shall constitute the pair and should normally play together. Two additional - and - the same players may be used as substitutes, a male substitute may be used for the male player and a female substitute for the female player, provided he or she has not previously played in the competition and the substitute belongs to the same club as the player being substituted. At least one player from the original mixed pair must play in each round. Only one substitute may be used at any one time.

### 4.5 SENIOR MIXED PAIRS COMPETITION

(a) Each pair must include a member of the C.C.W.B.A and a member of the C.C.B.A. They do not need to be members of the same club
(b) Male players to be 65 or over on the first day of May in the year which the competition is played
(c) Female players to be 60 or over on the first day of May in the year which the competition is played
(d) Each game will consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player, the leads to play their two bowls before the skips

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(e) The two players taking part in the first game must include at least one of the named players from the original entry. They shall constitute the pair and should normally play together. Two additional - and - the same players may be used as substitutes, a male substitute may be used for the male player and a female substitute for the female player, provided he or she has not previously played in the competition and the substitute belongs to the same club as the player being substituted. At least one player from the original mixed pair must play in each round. Only one substitute may be used at any one time.

### 4.6 OPEN UNDER 25 PAIRS COMPETITION

(a) Each pair must include a member of either C.C.B.A or C.C.W.B.A. They do not need to be members of the same club and can be all male, all female, or mixed.

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(b) Players to be under 25 on the first day of September in the year in which the competition is played.
(c) Each game will consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player, the leads to play their two bowls before the skips In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(d) The two players taking part in the first game must include at least one of the named players from the original entry. They shall constitute the pair and should normally play together. A substitute may be used of either sex, provided he or she has not previously played in the competition. At least one player from the original pair must play in each round. The same substitute must be used.

### 4.7 TRIPLES COMPETITIONS

(a) Each triple shall consist of 3 members of the same club. Competitions are as follows:-
(i) In the 2 Bowl Triples each game shall consist of 21 ends
(ii) In the 3 Bowl Triples each game shall consist of 18 ends
(b) The leads are to play their bowls first followed by the 2nd players and finally the skips

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(c) Substitution as in the pair's competition

### 4.8 MIXED TRIPLES COMPETITION

(a) Each player (either 2 ladies and 1 man or 1 lady and 2 men) must be members of a club affiliated to the C.C.B.A. or the C.C.W.B.A. They do not need to be members of the same club, but the 2 ladies or the 2 men must be from the same club (i.e. only 2 clubs to be involved)
(b) Each game will consist of 21 ends and 2 bowls each player
(c) The order of play etc to be the same as for the Triples Competitions

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(d) Substitution as in the Mixed Pairs Competition

### 4.9 FOURS COMPETITION

(a) Each four shall consist of 4 members of the same club
(b) Each game shall consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player played under EBA rules

In the event of a tie an extra end or ends must be played, the shots of which are to count in the final score. Skips shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(c) Substitution as in the pair's competition

## 5. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Winners of the C.C.B.A. Competitions will be eligible for the appropriate Affiliated National Championships

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## 6. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(a) Each club competing is to be represented by 4 triples (i.e. 12 players), all must be playing members of the same club. No player shall be eligible to play for more than one club in this competition during any season
(b) Members of Cleveland County Women's Bowling Association may be included in the Club Championship team provided that no rink is all female.
(c) Each game shall consist of 21 ends, 2 bowls each player
(d) The scores from each rink will be added at the end of the game to determine the winner. The winner shall be the team scoring the greater aggregate shots
(e) In the event of a tie each rink will play an extra end or ends until one team gains a greater aggregate score. This team will be declared the winners. Team captains shall toss for choice of jack on extra end/s
(f) If a team fails to put its full team on the green 15 minutes after the time fixed for commencement of play, the game shall be allowed to proceed in accordance with the E.B.F. Laws of the Game

## 7. ENTRIES

Entries, on the official entry form, and entrance fees for all competitions must be sent to the Competition Secretary by the Club Secretary's by a date determined by the Executive Committee for the following season's competitions.

## 8. PERIOD OF ROUNDS

The dates between which the various rounds of the competitions must be played will be strictly enforced.

## 9. DRAWS

Each round of every competition shall be drawn separately by the Competition Secretary or other such person who from time to time may be appointed.

## 10. DUTIES OF COMPETITORS

(a) The first drawn of each pair shall be termed the 'Challenger' and the second the 'Opponent'
(b) "The challenger shall, upon notification of the draw, offer his opponent TWO acceptable dates in accordance with the following rules -

- For matches scheduled to be played during the month of May with known opponents dates must be offered by the $1^{\text {st }}$ May
- In subsequent rounds dates must be offered within 48 hrs of been notified by the Competition Secretary of their opponents
- Neither date shall be the last date of the round
- Neither date shall be on the same date as a County Match
- A Sunday shall not be offered, however matches can be played on a Sunday by mutual consent
- Matches shall not commence before 6 pm and not later than 7 pm , except by mutual agreement
- All efforts should be made to avoid local league nights but players should not use local league games as a reason not to accept dates."
(c) The opponent shall, within 48hrs of receipt of dates, reply to the challenger accepting one of the agreed dates.
(d) If a Challenger fails to make contact with his opponent within a reasonable time scale then the Opponent must take responsibility and make contact to arrange dates.


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(e) A Challenger or an Opponent failing to comply with the listed rules in this document shall be scratched upon the successful application of the opposite party prior to the end of the round with the following exceptions -

- No match will be allowed to be claimed on the singular basis of the Challenger failing to make contact. If neither player makes contact then both players will be scratched from the competition.
- In the event that players are unable to agree on an acceptable date between them, then one or both players may be scratched from the competition by the competition secretary, whose decision will be final.
(f) Competitors are specially requested to play off their ties, and to make returns, as early as possible in order that there may be no delays


## 11. VENUE OF TIES

(a) The ties in all rounds of the competition including the semi-final shall be played on the greens of the challenger

NOTE - Where greens are not in reasonable playing condition, the opponent shall have the right of playing on his own green on appeal to the Competition Secretary, whose decision shall be final. Should neither green be in a reasonable condition then the Competition Secretary shall fix a neutral green for the tie to be played
(b) Players shall not play a CCBA competition on a rink that there have already played on, in any format, earlier in the same day
(c) The finals of all competitions shall be played on dates and greens as specified by the Executive

## 12. NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

The results of the ties shall be communicated, in the first instance by phone to the Competition Secretary or to other such persons as may be appointed, immediately after the match, who will advise of the next opponent. Winner's scorecards signed by both parties shall be forwarded to the Competition Secretary immediately after the game. No scorecard will be accepted by the Competition Secretary unless it bears the names of all players taking part in the game. (Note - NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 10.00pm)

## 13. DRESS CODE

(a)(i) Rounds up to and including semi final, players must be attired as follows, either White above the waist and grey below the waist or
Club registered coloured Polo Shirts above the waist and grey below the waist.
(a)(ii) Players not complying with rule 13(a) may be disqualified from the competition
(b) For all competition finals players must be attired in either

White below the waist in accordance with ebf rules and shirt (not t-shirt), and tie (County or Club) or White below the waist in accordance with ebf rules and club registered coloured polo shirt

## 14. MARKERS AND UMPIRES

Markers and Umpires will be appointed in accordance with the Laws of the Game

## 15. DISPUTES

(a) The Emergency Committee shall determine all disputes that may arise which do not come within the scope of the Umpire's duties. The Executive Committee shall deal with questions and disputes arising from the Semi-finals and Finals. The decision of the Committee shall be final and binding
(b) Appeals under the Laws of the Game shall be made within 24 hours of playing a tie and not later than the last day of the period of the round if reinstatement of a defeated appellant is desired

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(c) A clear statement in writing of the point at issue shall be communicated to the Competition Secretary or such other person who from time to time may be appointed at the earliest possible date together with evidence if such exists

## 16. TROPHIES

(a) Competition Trophies to be presented either at the County Presentation Evening or during the finals days.
(b) The winners of any Trophies of the Association shall give satisfactory security to the Association for their safe custody during the period in their possession. All trophies shall be returned in good condition and polished ready for presentation to the Competition Secretary on or before the County finals days.

## 17. INDOOR COMPETITIONS

GENERAL - The Indoor Competitions shall be played under The English Bowling Federation Laws of the Game.
(b) Local Rules for Indoor venues will also apply with regard to session times.
(c) The Competitions will therefore be as follows:-

| 4 Bowl Singles | 21 shots or 2 hours |
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| Senior Singles | 21 shots or 2 hours |
| Under 25 Singles | 21 shots or 2 hours |
| 2 Bowl Pairs | 21 ends or 2 hours |
| 2 Bowl Mixed Pairs | 21 ends or 2 hours |
| 2 Bowl Triples | 21 ends or 2 hours |
| 2 Bowl Mixed Triples | 21 ends or 2 hours |

