

MEN'S STATE PAIRS 2017/18

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

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Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 3rd Edition Jan. 2015

- 1. Controlling Body** Sandbelt Bows Region Championship Committee
- 2. Event** Men's State Pairs (knockout format)
- 3. Dates** Entries **Close 31 October** 2017
Knockout Rounds Commence Sunday 5 November 2017
Subsequent Play Sunday 12 November and Sunday 26 November 2017
- 4. Venues**
As determined by Sandbelt Bows Region Championship Committee
- 5. Starting Times**
 - 5.1** The Sandbelt Bows Region Championship Committees will set start times for events.
 - 5.2** A player or team 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**
Open to all Bowls Victoria affiliated Male bowlers from clubs within the Sandbelt Bows Region.
Composite Teams:
Players must be from clubs within the Sandbelt Bows Region.
Entries received after the closing date will not be accepted.
- 7. Format of Play**
2x2x2 Pairs
18 ends - Knockout Play
(number of games per day set by Sandbelt Bows Region Championship Committee)
- 8. Draws**
The blind draws for the knockout rounds will be conducted by the Sandbelt Bows Region Championship Committee.
Once the draws have been published, no late entries will 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 designated commencement time.
- 10. Slow Play – Delaying Play**
 - 10.1** If the umpire, either by their own observation or on appeal from one on the skips or the opponent in singles, decides that a player is unnecessarily delaying the delivery of the player's bowl:
 - On the first occasion the umpire will warn the player
 - If the player commits the same offence a second time the end will be regarded as completed and the opponents of the offender will score as many shots as there are bowls in use by such opponent.
 - If the player offends a third time the game will be forfeited to the opponent.
- 11. Player Protection**
 - 11.1** Players due to participate in a higher level event on the same day as that scheduled for knockout, sectional and post-sectional play can apply to the Controlling Body for protection
 - 11.2** If the event cannot be rescheduled then the participant concerned will have to decide which event to contest.
- 12. Footwear and Attire**
 - 12.1** Bowls Victoria Regulations for Attire 2017/18 will apply to all rounds.
 - 12.2** Composite teams may wear alternative apparel provided it adheres to Bowls Victoria Regulations for Attire Policy.
 - 12.3** Adhesive discs on bowls for all players in a team must be the same.



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13. Other Laws, Regulations & Policies

The Championship will be played in accordance with the 2015 Laws of the Sport of Bowls, the BA Domestic Regulations and the 2017/18 BV Rules for Competition.

Bowls Victoria has introduced the following:-

A Region or Division conducting a State event shall have power to apply a penalty, solely in the case of a dispute that involves non-appearance by a person or persons who having nominated for a State event fail to appear at the appropriate time and location without prior advice to the controlling body at least 24 hours prior with good cause.

In such circumstances the onus is on the player/s to provide satisfactory reason and evidence for nonappearance. Such penalty shall be \$50 for each occasion payable within 21 days from the date of the scheduled event. Failure to make payment within the prescribed time will result in the person/s being rendered ineligible in further State events for a period of 12 months from the date of the offence.

The Sandbelt Bowls Region Championship Committee has the right to alter the conditions of play if necessary.