



**BOWLS NEW ZEALAND
NATIONAL CHAMPION OF
CHAMPIONS
SINGLES, PAIRS, AND FOURS**

2019

**Conditions of Play for
National Finals**

**BOWLS NEW ZEALAND - CONDITIONS OF PLAY REGIONAL PLAYOFFS
NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS SINGLES, PAIRS AND FOURS COMPETITION**

1. STATUS

- 1.1 These Conditions of Play are supplementary to Bowls New Zealand Regulation 10 – National Events.
- 1.2 These Conditions of Play are also made in accordance with Law 55.3 of the Laws of the Sport, which permits Bowls New Zealand as a Controlling Body to establish conditions of play to cover certain aspects of the sport. These Conditions of Play set out the conditions of play for the Bowls New Zealand National Champion of Championship Singles, Pairs and Fours Competition Event and applies to all players, Clubs and Centre's participating in the Event. These Conditions of Play do not apply to International Competition which must be played strictly in accordance with the Laws of the Sport.
- 1.3 These Conditions of Play have been developed and issued by the Bowls New Zealand Chief Executive in accordance with Regulation 10 – National Events.

2. NAME, DATES, VENUES and REGIONS

- 2.1 The name of the Event is:

Bowls New Zealand National Champion of Champion Singles, Pairs, and Fours

2.2 **DATES:**

Men's & Women's Singles: Friday 5th July- Sunday 7th July, 2019

Men's & Women's Pairs: Friday 12th July- Sunday 14th July, 2019

Women's Fours: Friday 19th – Sunday 21st July, 2019

Men's Fours: Friday 26th – Sunday 28th July, 2019

2.3 **VENUES:**

Men's & Women's Singles: Naenae Bowling Club, Wellington

Men's & Women's Pairs: Dunedin Lawn Bowls Stadium, Dunedin

Women's Fours: Frankton Railway Bowling Club, Waikato

Men's Fours: Bowls Hastings, Hawkes Bay

3. CONTROLLING BODY

- 3.1 The Controlling Body is Bowls New Zealand..
- 3.2 Tournament Director: Bowls New Zealand Tournament Director.

4. DEFINITIONS

- 4.1 The words and phrases used in these Conditions of Play shall have the same meaning as defined in Regulation 10 – National Events and the Constitution of Bowls New Zealand, unless otherwise specified in these Conditions of Play. For avoidance of doubt, the conventions used in the Laws of the Sport shall **not** apply to these Conditions of Play unless expressly stated.

Bowls New Zealand Tournament Director means the person appointed by Bowls New Zealand for the National Finals on such terms and conditions as Bowls New Zealand determines.

Event means the Bowls New Zealand Champion of Champion Singles, Pairs and Fours Competition.

Laws of the Sport means the World Bowls Laws of the Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark Third Edition) and includes the domestic regulations of Bowls New Zealand.

Open Tournament means a competition, tournament or event for the game of Bowls which is open for entry to any member of any Club or Centre.

Season is the period of competition for the game of Bowls which for the purposes of these Conditions of Play shall commence on 1st July and end on 30th June the following year.

5. ENTRY

5.1 Entries & Entry Fees

- (a) Each Centre **must** hold a Centre Qualifying Competition for this Event.
- (b) Entries must comprise of players from the same Club.
- (c) The winner or the best performed centre team or individual in each discipline will progress to the National Final. If the winners in any discipline are unable to attend the national final, then Bowls New Zealand Domestic Regulation Clause 7 in respect of substitutes and replacements will come into effect and the Bowls New Zealand Tournament Director must be notified immediately of any such requests for substitutes or replacements.
- (d) **Bowls New Zealand reserves the right to cancel any of the events if the number of teams entered for that event does not reach a minimum of 12 entries from the 27 eligible centres.**

6. TRIAL ENDS

- 6.1 Pursuant to Law 5.1 of the Laws of the Sport trial ends will be allowed before competition commences each day.
- 6.2 Should players be required to change greens during the day an extra set of trial ends will be permitted

7. PLAYING FORMAT (Applicable for both Men and Women)

7.1 Playing Format

Entries will be drawn into sections and a round robin played within each section. Final number within each section will be determined when entries have closed.

- (a)

Singles	21 shots up	4 bowls	or	2 ½ hours
Pairs	18 ends	3 bowls	or	2 ½ hours
Fours	15 ends	2 bowls	or	2 ¾ hours
- (b) The time signals for each game shall be as follows:

The commencement of play and the expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by a bell or some other means clearly audible to the players concerned.
Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the Umpire shall notify the opponents or Skips in individual games when the time limit has expired.
- (c) If in a time limit game the jack has been delivered before the time signal the end continues and if it is subsequently made dead it should be replayed until it is completed.
- (d) Ends made dead shall be replayed in accordance with Law 20 of the Laws of the Sport.
- (e) Absentee Players: If, **15 minutes** after the scheduled start time for a game, one or more players are absent from a team, the defaulting team will forfeit the game to their opponents.

- (f) In all qualifying games three points will be awarded for each game won. One point will be awarded for each game drawn. Where match points are equal, the winner will be the side with the highest net total of shots.
- (g) If the match points and the net total of shots are equal the side with the lowest “total shots against” will be the winner.
- (h) If match points, net total of shots, “lowest shots against” are all equal the winner will be the team who won the game when the two teams met.
- (i) Post Section: The top two placed teams in each section, together with the next best overall, based on game points, nett total of shots, then lowest shots against, required to make up the eight teams required progress to post section. Teams for post section will be placed in a predetermined draw as advertised on the Bowls New Zealand website. All games in post section will be sudden death knockout games.

7.2 Alterations to the Format & Length of Games

- (a) The Controlling Body reserves the right to alter the format, times of play and greens giving as much notice as practical.
- (b) Where a programme is interrupted or cannot be completed due to inclement weather or local conditions, the Controlling Body may amend the format and length of games to achieve a result.

7.3 Restricting the Movement of Players

- 1) In time limit games, the movement of players during play shall be restricted as specified in Appendix A A.4 – Laws of the Sport.

After delivering their first bowl, players will only be allowed to walk up to the head under the following circumstances.

- (i) **Singles Game:**

The opponents: after delivery of their third and fourth bowls

- (ii) **Pairs Games (each player playing three bowls):**

- a) the leads: after delivery of their third bowl; and
- b) the skips; after delivery of their second and third bowls

- (iii) **Fours Game:**

- a) the leads: after the second player in their team has delivered their second bowl
- b) the seconds: after delivery of their second bowl
- c) the thirds: after delivery of their second bowl and
- d) the skips: after delivery of each of their bowls

- (a) 2) In exceptional and limited circumstances, a Singles player can ask the Marker for permission to walk up to the head, or a Skip can ask that a player walks up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A.4.1.
- (b) If a player does not meet the requirements of Appendix A.4.1, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport shall apply.

7.4 Defaults

If a team or player defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win and the average net total of shots scored by the winning teams in the same discipline in the same round of the same section.

8. SUBSTITUTES

- 8.1 Substitutes and changes to original team members will be allowed in terms of Bowls New Zealand Domestic Regulation Clause 7.

9. FOOTWEAR & CLOTHING

- 9.1 Shoes or sandals may be worn by players when playing on a bowling green. All footwear must be flat soled and heel-less. Soles may be of a non-slip material with a slightly abrasive surface.
- 9.2 Any Player with a physical disability may use an appropriate support, wheelchair or bowling aid, provided that the same is so made that its use causes no damage to the green.
- 9.3 For any Tournament other than a Club Tournament, players in Singles and members of Teams or Sides must wear garments of the same colour/design as determined by the Tournament Controlling Body. This means all members of a Team or Side wearing the same colour trouser/shorts/skirts. Any garment may have logos displayed, but the Controlling Body may impose conditions relating to sponsors logos to ensure there is no conflict with a Tournament Sponsor.
- 9.4 Failure to comply with clause 9.3 will result in the offending Team or Side being defaulted for each round until they comply with clause 9.3.

10. SMOKING AND ALCOHOL

- 10.1 Subject to any further restrictions in specific Conditions of Play, the following smoking and alcohol policies apply:
- (a) There shall be no smoking anywhere in a Club house or on the greens at a National Event. Smoking may only occur in designated smoking areas.
 - (b) The drinking of alcohol at a National Event is restricted to the Club house at each venue in accordance with the Club's licence. Drinking outside of the Club house including on the greens is strictly prohibited.

11. OFFICIALS

- 11.1 The Tournament Director shall appoint the Chief Umpire after consultation with the Bowls NZ Tournament Director. All Umpires must be Level 2 or above.
- 11.2 The Chief Umpire will also be responsible for the appointment of Markers.

12. CERTIFICATES AND MEDALS

- 12.1 The teams finishing in the top four places will receive Bowls NZ medals and Bowls NZ Certificates.

13. TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

- 13.1 All travel and accommodation costs for the National Finals will be the responsibility of the participants.
- 13.2 All meals are the players responsibility.

14. JURY OF APPEAL

14.1 A Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by the Bowls NZ CEO for the purpose of deciding upon any points not provided in the conditions of play and/or for dealing with any referrals or appeals from decisions made by Technical Officials (Law 43.2.6 of the Laws of the Sport and Rule 14.4 of Regulation 10).

APPENDIX A: Entry Form



BOWLS NEW ZEALAND
NATIONAL CHAMPION of CHAMPIONS 2019 ENTRY FORM

CENTRE:

CLUB:

GENDER:

MEN

WOMEN

(Circle One)

Discipline	Position	Name
Singles		
Pairs	Skip	
	Lead	
Contact Number for Team		
Fours	Skip	
	Three	
	Two	
	Lead	
Contact Number for Team		

If you have any further questions, please contact Helen
Email helen@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz or phone 021 966 024

This form must be completed and returned to Bowls NZ by 1/05/2019 along with your signed Code of Conduct. You may scan them to helen@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz or, you may post them to Bowls NZ, PO Box 62 502, Greenlane Auckland 1546

CODE OF CONDUCT

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS 2019

FORM TO BE SIGNED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE TEAM

I confirm that I have read and agree to the guidelines as set out in Regulation 10. I acknowledge that any breach by me of the Regulation 10, or any part of it, may result in my immediate disqualification and/or removal from a National Event.

CENTRE:

CLUB:

GENDER:

DATE:

SINGLES: Name _____ Signature _____

PAIRS: Skip: Name _____ Signature _____

Lead: Name _____ Signature _____

FOURS: Skip: Name _____ Signature _____

Three: Name _____ Signature _____

Two: Name _____ Signature _____

Lead: Name _____ Signature _____

Terms and Conditions

1. **Declaration:** I declare that all information supplied in this Entry Form is true and correct. If any of this information changes, I acknowledge that I will notify Bowls New Zealand of the changes, in writing, as soon as possible after they occur. If any of the information I have provided is not true or is misleading, I acknowledge that I may not be eligible to play in the Event.
2. **Bound by Rules:** I agree to be bound by the constitution, regulations, policies and rules of Bowls New Zealand (including but not limited to the Bowls New Zealand Code of Conduct) or the Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 3rd Edition and any reasonable directions of Bowls New Zealand.
3. **Use, Security and Access:** I understand that my personal information will only be used for the purposes listed in paragraph 4 below, and that, in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993:
 - a) my personal information will be held securely;
 - b) I will have access to my personal information; and
 - c) my personal information will be corrected upon request.
4. **Privacy:** I agree that Bowls New Zealand, and its respective officers or employees, can collect, hold, use and disclose my personal information as provided in this Entry Form (and any updated or additional personal information Bowls New Zealand obtains from me, including any photo or other record of my image) for the purposes of:
 - a) processing my application for entry to the Event;
 - b) including my photograph or other imagery on the website of Bowls New Zealand, in newsletters, annual reports, or similar official publications, without payment. I also agree that the information provided may be used by Bowls New Zealand for the purpose of promoting future Bowls New Zealand Events.
 - c) providing me with information and activities relating to Bowls New Zealand and other bowls matters;
 - d) enabling Bowls New Zealand to contact me with information about their products and services and the products and services of their sponsors or funders;
 - e) publishing any of my bowls results in the newsletters of Bowls New Zealand and on its website;
 - f) selecting and publicly naming players, officials and teams to represent Bowls New Zealand at Bowls New Zealand events;
 - g) enabling Bowls New Zealand to comply with any statute, regulation, by-law or other regulatory instrument that requires collection or disclosure of personal information;
 - h) retaining the information provided on this Entry Form once the Event finishes for a reasonable period for the above purposes; and
 - i) any other purpose I agree to in writing.
5. **Accept Risk of Bowls:** I have voluntarily accepted and assumed the inherent risk of danger and injury in bowls.
6. **No liability:** I will not hold the Bowls New Zealand or their respective officers or employees, responsible for any claims, losses, expenses and costs (including legal costs) which may arise from or in connection with, my participation in the Event, except in the case of gross negligence or a wilful act or omission on the part of Bowls New Zealand.
7. **Indemnity:** I indemnify Bowls New Zealand and its respective officers or employees, from all claims, losses and expenses (including legal costs) suffered or incurred at any time as a result of, or resulting directly or indirectly from, my failure to observe the constitution, regulations, policies, rules of Bowls New Zealand or the sport of bowls and the reasonable directions of Bowls New Zealand.
8. **Medical Treatment:** I consent to receiving any medical treatment that may be deemed necessary in the event of an injury, accident or illness during the Event and authorise Bowls New Zealand to contact such medical emergency personnel as Bowls New Zealand may think necessary.
9. **Minor:** I further warrant that if I am signing this waiver on behalf of a child under 18 years of age ("Minor"), I am a parent or legal guardian of such child and am legally entitled to sign this entry form.

- In my judgement, the Minor has sufficient competence and experience to participate safely in this Event.
- I have explained to the Minor this declaration and the Minor has understood and agreed to abide by the constitutions, regulations, policies and rules of Bowls New Zealand (including but not limited to the Bowls New Zealand Code of Conduct) or the sport of bowls and any reasonable directions of Bowls New Zealand, at all times.

10. **Interpretation:** Every reference to “I” and “my” in this document includes the applicant and the parent/guardian/caregiver of the applicant (if applicable).

I confirm that I have read and agree to comply with the above terms and conditions contained in this Event Entry Form.

Participant’s name (please print)

*Parent / Guardian’s Name (if necessary)

Participant’s signature (if over 18 years of age)

* Parent / Guardian’s Signature (if necessary)

Date

Participants under 18 years of age must have a Parent or Legal Guardian sign these Terms and Conditions **prior to competing in the Event.*

Please note copies of the constitution, regulations and policies of Bowls New Zealand can be obtained by contacting Bowls New Zealand or are available on its website at bowlsnewzealand.co.nz.

Please return the completed form to:

**Bowls New Zealand Inc
PO Box 62-502
Greenlane
Auckland 1546**

Email: helen@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz

Any queries to the Events Manager: 021 966 024