



## Lawn Bowls



# COMPETITION MANUAL

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## **GUIDING BODIES**

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Event will be conducted under

WORLD BOWLS - Laws of the Sport of Bowls

Crystal Mark Fourth Edition; unless varied by a WPFGF Rule stated in these rules.

**Entry Deadline: 2/28/2027**

## **EVENTS**

OPEN (18+) Men's Singles (**Note:** Maximum 96 entries)

Women's Singles

Men's (3 Bowl) Pairs

Women's (3 Bowl) Pairs

Unisex (2 Bowl) Fours

## **EQUIPMENT**

Individuals must supply their own bowls.

Bowls Markers (Colored Adhesive Discs should be supplied by the individual Teams. All members of a Team **must** use the same bowls markers (colored discs).

Additional Bowls Markers will be available at the Venue/s.

Jacks and Mats will be supplied by the Host.

## **BRACKETING**

Subject to the number of entries received for a specific event (minimum 7 Teams).

Teams will be bracketed into sections of four (4) (Three teams with a Bye is acceptable; in which case the Bye will replace Team 4).

Teams in each section will play each other in the following order.

**Game 1:-** Team 1 v Team 2; Team3 v Team 4.

**Game 2:-** Team 1 v Team 3; Team2 v Team 4.



**Game 3:-** Team 1 v Team 4; Team2 v Team 3.

**Note:** In Singles the Player with the Bye will be required to mark the other Game in their Section.

Best placed teams will advance to Knockout Finals based on Points, Score Differential, Percentage. If Teams are stull equal a Single End Play Off will occur.

If less than 7 Teams are entered in an event a round robin style competition will be conducted.

### **SCHEDULING**

There will be a morning session and an afternoon session programmed each day, with the possibility of a night session if programming requires it.

All games will be of **12 ends** duration. A minimum of 8 ends is required for an official game. In the event of a team having a 'bye' in Sectional play, that team will be awarded 2 points and a 7-nil score line.

### **GENERAL SPORT RULES for Lawn Bowls**

Before the start of play each day, one trial end each way shall be permitted. In the event of a team having a bye in an earlier game, the team may have the option of practicing on the same green or playing one trial end each way before the afternoon game.

Trial ends will commence 15 minutes before the schedule time for the first session for that event on each day.

Method of play for pairs shall be three (3) bowls, Leads play three bowls, Skips play three bowls.

Method of play for fours shall be two (2) bowls, in the order Lead, Second, Third and Skip.

No substitution allowed once competition has begun.

**PROTESTS:** See *WPFG General Rules*.



## **AWARDING OF MEDALS TO ATHLETES**

During the medal presentation, only athletes are allowed to participate in this ceremony. Each athlete and **SHALL** present their Athlete's Credential. If the athlete does not present their Athlete's Credential, they **SHALL NOT** receive a medal. This is a mandatory requirement to receive a medal.

Technical Support Personnel and children are not allowed on the podium with the teams during the medal presentation.

The sport coordinator SHALL have in their possession a copy of the CSE Report for verification of participation. This will determine and verify which event the athlete was entered into.