

BBC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022/23

MEMBERS GUIDANCE NOTES

The following notes have been prepared to provide some additional information and clarification with regards to specific aspects of the Club Championships and should be read in conjunction with the Competition Rules.

Replacements

When a replacement player is required during the competition i.e. after the first game has been played, the replacement must be obtained by the team requiring the replacement, with a player who has not previously participated in the same discipline. This process must be authorized by the Controlling Body (Cross Ref. Rule 12).

A replacement required in the DRAWN 2 Wood Pairs, must be drawn from a pool of players who have not already played in this competition. This will be drawn by the controlling body as this event is a drawn competition.

Date Extensions

Extensions to "play by" and/or "play on" dates is at the sole discretion of the Controlling Body and will only be granted in exceptional and extenuating circumstances, such as serious illness and/or associated medical conditions. Extension requests **will not** be granted to facilitate extended holiday periods. Any player/team unable to play their game before the respective "play by" and/or "play on" date **MUST** concede the game to their opponent. (Cross Ref. Rule 11)

Markers

It is the responsibility of the '**challenger**', in all singles disciplines, to arrange an appropriate 'Marker'. Spouses may undertake the role of Marker with the agreement of the opponent.

When making arrangements to play a Semi-final game, the '**challenger**' must liaise with the Club's CBUMA representative (Bob Cockell) in order that a qualified Marker may be made available for the agreed date. The Controlling Body will be responsible for arranging Markers for the Finals of all singles matches in the Club Championships. (Cross Ref. Rule 8)

Playing Twice on the Same Day

Practice or "roll-ups" on the green, including participation in Club Day, is not permitted on the day of **any Club Championship or Club Competition match**, prior to that match.

However, play in other matches, such as a recognised league or competition is permitted in line with Bowls Spain Domestic Regulations 2015 57.1.1.1 Players can be allowed to play on the same rink on the same day providing they are playing in a separate competition (N:B: must be an officially sanctioned separate competition, club match or higher).

Failure to Agree a Play Date

The Challenger(s) should contact their opponent(s) *within 7 days of the end of the preceding round*, in order to make arrangements to play the fixture.

Having provided the opposition with three proposed dates, within a realistic time scale, and where it has not been possible to agree a mutually suitable date for a Club Championship game, the 'challenger' should refer the issue to the Controlling Body for resolution. In such circumstances the Controlling Body may set the date for the game to be played. Failure to play the game on the allotted date will result in the defaulting team(s) being disqualified. (Cross Ref. Rule 7)

LLB Champion of Champions

The winners of the Ladies and Men's singles & pairs, Mixed Fours, Mixed Triples and 4 Wood Mixed Pairs are eligible to play in the LLB "Champion of Champions" to be held **during April 2023**. Once entered, players representing their respective Clubs are required to play in every round up to and including the Final. Failure to do so is likely to result in punitive action being taken against the offending player(s) and possibly their Club(s). Further details, including Champion of Champion competition Rules, will be provided at the appropriate time.

***SETFORD TROPHY First Honours**

This discipline is open to all Members who have never won a club Championship discipline at **ANY** Bowls club.

President's Cup

The winners of the Ladies' Singles and Men's Singles will play on the last day of the finals; the President's Cup will be awarded to the first player gaining 25 shots