

Southampton & District Bowling Association

RULE CHANGES AS AGREED AT MANAGEMENT MEETING OF 21ST NOVEMBER 2016

(New wording shown in bold italic and deletions with words struck through.)

1.4.1. Registered coloured shirts will be permitted in League and Cup competitions, with white or grey trousers (subject to uniformity throughout the team in question) and with white, grey or brown shoes. ***Tailored shorts may be also worn in these games provided the host club does not have a local ruling prohibiting the wearing of shorts. (It is incumbent upon competitors to check before play commences.)*** In the Association Cup Semi-Finals & Finals, white trousers will be worn. The wearing of Club ties is the prerogative of Clubs.

1.8.3. Players who are members of more than one club in S & D.B.A. may only enter knock-out competitions (other than Champion of Champions) from the same club whom they play in the leagues. ***An exception to this rule is made for Benevolent Pairs where a mixed club entry is permissible.***

2.1.8. Benevolent Pairs Competition (Handicap) ~~In aid of the Association Members Benevolent fund)~~ Knock-out competition, 4 bowls each player, 21 ends. ***(Mixed club entries are permissible in this competition.)*** Entries will be handicapped by the Competitions Liaison Group before the publication of the first (or preliminary) round. The handicap will be between 0 and 7 and clubs will be asked to give their assessment of their players on the entry form. Any handicap received will be retained throughout the Competition, except in the event of substitution of a player when the team will revert to scratch until the original entry resumes.

2.1.9. Champion of Champions Competition Knock-out competition, 4 bowls each player. Singles, '21 Shots up'. Open to one representative, the club singles champion of the previous season, from each affiliated club. ~~Rounds up to and including the quarter final will be played on neutral greens nominated by the challenger, before a published date.~~

2.4.1. Mixed club entries are not permitted ***other than in Benevolent Pairs.***

2.5.3. All competitions shall be played on ***dates determined by the Competition Secretary prior to the commencement of each season.*** ~~or before the date stipulated, except the semi-finals and finals which will be played on the second full weekend in September each year. In exceptional circumstances any requests for alterations to playing dates will be considered and determined by the Competition Secretary.~~ The Competition Secretary shall have the power to alter any times, dates or venues as published.

2.6.1. The first named in the draws, are the challengers and shall have the choice of greens and be responsible for booking the rink and in singles providing a marker. Challengers shall, by the challenge date, offer their opponents two dates observing the following exceptions which may be waived if mutually agreed;

- (A) S&DBA League fixtures
- (b) S&DBA Fixed date competitions
- (c) ***Bowls Hampshire*** Fixed date competitions
- (d) Sundays or Bank Holidays

