

Atlantic Bowls Tournament Rules

Modified by Executive of Atlantic Bowls September 2023

Any situation not covered by the following and not under the jurisdiction of the umpire(s) will be resolved by the Games Committee of the host province.

1. The rules of play shall be those of Bowls Canada as contained in the "Laws of The Game" except as noted below.
2. Events will be held only in the Men's and Women's Pairs (4 bowls) and the Men's & Women's Triples (3 Bowls).
3.
 - a) Play will be a single round robin.
 - b) Bars will be awarded: Gold, Silver and Bronze, at the end of round robin play.
4. Points will be awarded on the following basis:

Win – 3 Points
Tie – 1 Point
5.
 - a) All games shall consist of 12 ends.
 - b) An out of bounds jack will be subject to the single re-spot rule.
 - c) In case of a tie at the end of round robin play the winner will be determined by the aggregate system, shots for divided by shots against.
 - d) In case of a tie for the "Sid Currie Memorial Trophy" the winner will be determined by the aggregate system – shots for divided by shots against.
6.
 - (a) Pairs shall be limited to 1 3/4 hours.
Triples shall be limited to 2 hours.
 - (b) There will be a warning bell halfway through the game and a warning bell will be rung 5 minutes before game end. If the end has been started before the warning bell, it may be finished.
 - (c) In case of delay in the start of a game by a team being absent: After a delay of 10 minutes a score of three points for first end shall be awarded to the opposing team. After fifteen minutes, from the start time, the game will be defaulted and awarded to the opposing team.
 - (d) Deliberate delay during a game:
A warning shall be given by the Games Marshall and Designated Umpire. If a second warning is necessary, the guilty team shall default their game.

7. Each Province shall send two teams (10 female and 10 male players).
8.
 - (a) No substitutes will be permitted except in exceptional circumstances, the Games Committee shall decide.
 - (b) A substitute player becomes a permanent member of a team after the substitute plays two (2) or more games for the same team.
 - (c) Provinces requiring substitute teams – if no representative from province on team, they will forfeit points on the “Sid Currie” Aggregate Trophy.
 - (d) Should a Province be unable to send all eight teams to the Atlantics, the teams will not be replaced. In this instance, play will be round robin with all provincial teams (6 teams - 5 games).
 - (e) In situations other than the above, the hosting club will replace the teams. If more than 3 team replacements are required, the hosting club will contact other provinces for availability of additional replacements.
9. All teams are to register with the Tournament Chairperson at least one-half hour before their event.
10. Rained out Rule:
In case of severe weather conditions, Games Committee to decide.
If a game is called before half-time due to weather conditions, the remaining time would be rescheduled and the game completed. If the game is called after half-time, then the game will have been deemed completed.
11.
 - a) Provincial colors or white may be worn, accessories are optional in color.
 - b) Footwear must comply with national standards – or at host clubs discretion.
12. Games Committee to consist of:
President of Atlantic Bowls or Designate
Host Committee Chair
Greens Chair/Chief Umpire