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- 1) All playdowns shall be conducted under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls and Provincial Conditions of Play as adopted by Bowls New Brunswick Boulingrin.
- 2) In order for a member to compete in the Province of New Brunswick, they must be a resident of NB by June 1st and a paid-up club member when competing in the Provincial Championships.
- 3) In pairs, triples and fours, players on the team may be from different clubs.
- 4) Substitutions – Provincial Tournaments
 - a) The rules of substitution in all matches are as follows:
 - If a member of a team has to withdraw after the Entry Deadline and before play starts due to illness, bereavement, or exceptional circumstances, a substitute may be used after obtaining permission from the Emergency Committee. This does not apply to singles playdowns.
 - Once the play begins in playdowns and a player is unable to play due to illness or any other unforeseen emergency, a substitute may be used after obtaining approval of the umpire
 - A substitute cannot play in the skip position but may play in any other position.
 - The substitute becomes a member of the team should the regular player not be able to return after missing two (2) games.
 - Should there be no substitute available from any club, the games already played or to be played by the team requiring the substitute, will be declared null and void.
 - In singles there can be no substitute, games played or to be played will be declared null and void.
- 5) Tied ends are played ends.
- 6) Two (2) trial ends may be played prior to each game (a game includes sets play). In the trial ends two bowls may be played for each end.

- 7) Deadline for Start of Play: If play has not commenced by 15 minutes after the starting bell, a penalty may be assessed by the umpire and the game could be deemed null and void. In defaulted games the non-defaulting player or team will be awarded the win plus half the ends and one point per end.
- 8) All events shall be played in accordance with the number of teams registered.
 - a) 2 teams: best 2 out of 3 games
 - b) 3 entries: single round robin
 - c) 4 – 7 entries: single round robin 3 per day
 - d) 8 – 14 entries to be divided into two divisions playing a round robin. The two division winners and the two runners up will playoff.
- 9) In regular round robin play, tied games are to be broken by an extra end. The end and points in the extra end are not counted, indicate win or loss only.

The tournament trophy will be awarded to the team or player accumulating the most number of games won at the conclusion of each round robin play.

- 10) Tie Breaking Format (following round robin play) for Provincial Championships.

If two or more players or teams are tied, the following rules will apply until a winner is declared:

- (1) Total points “for” in all games.
 - (2) Total points “for and against” - total points for divided by points against in all games.
 - (3) Total ends “for” in games played between each tied team only.
- 11) In pairs, triples and fours, all games must be completed to the full amount of ends so the tie-breaking rule can be used effectively.
 - 12) If on the last game of the event, two teams scheduled to play each other have no chance of winning or coming second in the event, they may ask the match chairperson to cancel their game if both teams are in agreement.
 - 13) Complete results of tournaments must be established in singles, pairs, triples and fours except in 2-section play.
 - In 2-section play, there will be a playoff between the winners of each section and the runners-up of each section. The two section winners will play for 1st and 2nd positions and the runners-up will play for 3rd and 4th positions.
 - Playoffs will have the same number of ends as the original play.
 - 14) The draw is to be posted for the duration of the playoffs. Teams are to receive score cards with their number on the left.

- 15) Umpires and markers for singles are to be arranged by the match chairperson for all games. If possible, the umpire should not be a competitor in the playdowns.
- 16) Conditions of play must be posted at the club holding the event.
- 17) All requests for rule changes or new rules are to be forwarded to the Executive Secretary for distribution to the appropriate people.
- 18) The Rules of Play Committee will be made up of the President of BNBB (Ex Officio), three (3) committee members (one from each club), the Executive Secretary of BNBB, the Chief Official and Drawmaster. This Committee will have a Chairperson, appointed and agreed upon by those present at the Rules of Play Committee Meeting. All requests will be reviewed and evaluated and a recommendation forwarded to the BNBB Executive and/or presented at a BNBB General meeting.
- 19) The deadline for entries in all tournaments is to be 2 weeks (14 days) prior to the event. An official entry form and the applicable entry fee must be completed for each event and be in the hands of the Draw Master prior to the deadline.
- 20)
 - a) If the Draw Master is unable to attend an event, he/she shall appoint a Draw Coordinator of the host club to run the draw. The Draw Master will forward the documents for the draw to the Draw Coordinator as soon as possible prior to competition day. At the end of the competition, the Draw Coordinator will return all documents and results to the Draw Master.
 - b) All draws be made in advance by the Provincial Draw Master in the presence of a non-participant as witness.
- 21) The Draw Master shall notify the host club within 7 days of the closing date of the following:
 - a) The number of rinks needed for the draw.
 - b) The number of players attending the event.
- 22) “A jury of appeal”, emergency committee, for each championship playdown event consisting of the President, or his/her nominee, and two members of BNBB Executive, appointed by the President, shall deal with all disputes arising from any championship playdown. Appeals to be made in writing or by e-mail to the President within forty-eight (48) hours of said dispute by parties concerned in the dispute. No person shall serve on the “jury of appeal” who is involved in said dispute.
- 23) Footwear:

Flat soled shoes (i.e. walking shoes) and running shoes that have no separation between the front sole and heel (flat from toe to heel) that possess a shallow tread pattern or grooves to improve traction, without damaging the green, are acceptable. Walking shoes and sport

shoes are acceptable, sandals with a heel strap are also acceptable as long as the back strap is firmly fitted when worn.

Flat soled wedge shoes are not acceptable – these shoes have a flat sole but increase in height from toe to heel. The width of any heel must be at least 50% of the widest part of the sole.

The sole may possess a shallow tread pattern or indented grooves to improve traction, without damaging the green. A channel in the centre of the sole is acceptable; protuberances that extend out from the sole are not acceptable. Edges around the sole, and around any channel, need to be rounded.

Only approved footwear shall be permitted. Manufacturer colors, logos and designs are acceptable.

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 - a) One event must be completed prior to the commencement of the next event.
 - b) Ends are to be posted on the Result Sheet after each game as well as wins or losses and scores in triples, pairs and fours. In singles: record wins, losses and scores.
- 25) The Match Chairperson is responsible to ensure that Official Conditions of Play are followed.
- 26) There will be a limit of three (3) games per day. To accommodate more games due to a large number of entries, less game play time, or to accommodate play requested and agreed to by all players, the draw master/match chairperson shall decide when the games will start and end. Skips are to be notified of the time of play.
- 27) The match chairperson and greens keeper for the club where the tournament is taking place shall decide if the greens are still playable in case of a severe rain storm during the tournament. Electric storm policy is circulated to be used.
- 28) The club hosting an event will notify the match chairperson, two (2) weeks in advance of the event whether their greens are playable.
- 29) All Provincial Trophy tournaments will be played in the disciplines of Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours. Juniors if necessary. All tournaments and other events will be club rotated each year. Dates for various events will be agreed upon by the Board of Directors at the spring meeting.
- 30) The host club will notify BNBB if unable to host an event, who will arrange another venue.
- 31) All Provincial tournaments are to be held at the club hosting the event.
- 32) The dress code for Provincial tournaments has been amended to allow participants the option of wearing colors. It is not necessary to have team uniformity.

- 33) Disciplinary Action: All players shall obey all conditions of play including fielding of team for tournaments or face disciplinary action which may include a fine and/or suspension of participation in future provincial play in accordance with the Safe Sport Policy.
- 34) When the temperature reaches 35 deg. Celsius at a venue, play will be interrupted (at the completion of the end of play) for a period of ten minutes during which time drinks should be made available. Any time limit imposed on the interrupted match will be suspended. When the temperature reaches 38 deg. Celsius, play will be suspended.

It will be at the discretion of the umpire to determine whether to discontinue play. Consideration should be given to relevant factors, including age and health of players, level of humidity, and the amount of shade or shelter available at the venue.