



WORLD BOWLS INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. Singles: Four bowls per player. Mixed Pairs: Two bowls per player. All bowls must bear a legible, approved World Bowls stamp of 2022 or later. The current World Bowls Laws of the Sport will apply unless otherwise stated in these Conditions of Play.
2. Prior to the start of a match, each player will be allowed two trial ends.
All disciplines will be played in 2 or 4 sections subject to level of entries.
In disciplines played in 4 sections the top placed country of each section will play the second placed country from another section in the Quarter-Finals drawn at random. In disciplines played in two sections the top of each section will go forward to the Semi-Final while the 2nd and 3rd placings will play off for the remaining two places in the Semi-Final. The draw for these play offs will be undertaken to ensure that the two qualifiers from the same section cannot play each other in the play offs.
3. Each match will consist of two sets, each set being played over 7 ends. The winner of each set will be the player with the most shots at the completion of the 7th end. The winner of the match being the best of two sets. (A match tie-breaker is not a set.) In section play all 7 ends of a set must be completed. In knockout play a set will be decided if, at any point, it becomes impossible for one player to draw or win the set given the number of ends left.
4. If the shot scores are tied after the last end of a set, the set is drawn. If the match is tied (two drawn sets or one set each) after the two sets have been completed, a match tie-breaker consisting of 1 end will be played to determine the winner. If the tie-breaker end is tied a further tie-breaker end will be played.
5. In all cases a tied end will count as one of the 7 ends played.
6. Scoring
Three points will be awarded for a match win and nil points for a match loss.
Section winners will be determined as follows:
 - i) Highest number of match points scored.
 - ii) If match points are equal, the player with the highest number of sets won will be the winner.
 - iii) If match points and sets won are equal, then the player with the highest shots difference over all matches in the section (excluding tie-breaker ends) will be the winner.
 - iv) If match points, sets won, shots difference and sets drawn are equal the player that won the match between the players that are equal will be declared the winner.
7. First to Play-Law 56.4
 - i) First Set: The opponents in Singles should toss a coin and the winner of the toss has the option to either: place the mat and then deliver the jack and the first bowl: or tell the opposing player to place the mat and deliver the jack and the first bowl (the opposing player cannot refuse)

ii) Second Set; The winner of the first set should place the mat and then deliver the jack and the first bowl. If the first set is a draw, the winner of the last scoring end in that set should place the mat and then deliver the jack and the first bowl.

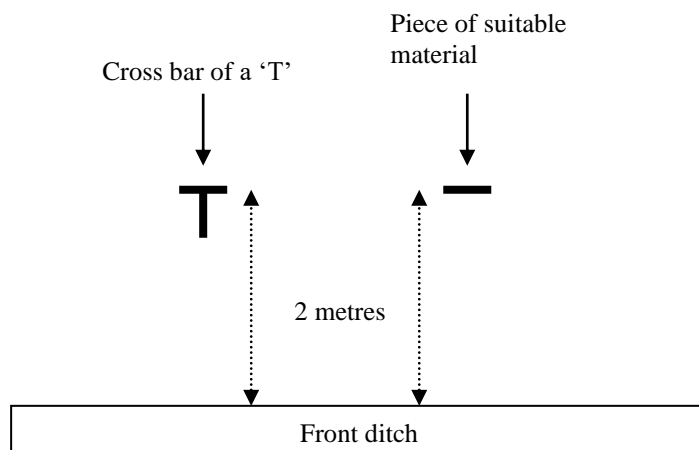
iii) First and any further ends of a tie-breaker: the opponents in Singles should toss a coin and the winner of the toss has the options as described in i)

8. Play in all other ends: In all ends after the first but apart from an extra end, the winner of the previous scoring end should place the mat and then deliver the jack and the first bowl.

9. Re-spotting the jack

1 If a jack in motion passes completely outside the boundaries of the rink of play, comes to rest in any hollow in the face of the bank, or rebounds to a distance of less than 20 metres from the mat line, the end should not be declared dead. Instead, the jack should be placed with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line at the central 2 metre spot.

2 If the spot is partly or completely covered by a bowl, the jack should be placed as close as possible to the covered spot, in line with that spot and the corresponding spot at the opposite end of the rink, without touching a bowl. **Law 56.5.4.**



10. Players in Singles matches may only visit the head: after delivery of their third and fourth bowls. In exceptional circumstances, a player may seek permission of the Marker to visit the head before they deliver their third bowl

11. The lead in Mixed Pairs may not visit the head. The skip may visit the head after either bowl.

12. Any player not ready to play at their official start time for any match shall forego their right to play trial ends and then if they are not ready to play within 15 minutes after the official start time of their match shall forfeit the match to their opponent.

Notes: All World Bowls/IIBC events will be subject to Drug Testing

All competitors and officials are expected to be aware of and abide by World Bowls Regulations including those relating to the Code of Conduct/Ethics and disciplinary issues. Full details are available on the World Bowls website www.worldbowls.com

Only qualified coaches recognised and appointed as such by a competitor's national authority will be accredited to act in these positions at the event and such appointments must be registered with World Bowls/IIBC no later than the official arrival date of the event.