

**CONDITIONS OF PLAY – BOWLS SASK SENIOR TRIPLES**

- All games shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark Fourth Edition
- Each team will be allowed a coach during the event. The name of the coach must be submitted prior to the start of the event.

**Eligibility:**

- Must be a permanent resident of Saskatchewan as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- Participants must be 60 years of age or over.
- Must be a registered member in good standing with Bowls Sask and their affiliated club.
- Participants must not be competing in any 2024 Canadian Championships.

**Format:**

- All games will be played as 14 end matches with each player throwing two bowls each.
- Time limit for each game is 2 hours and 30 minutes commencing when the signal for the start of the game is given. At the conclusion of the time period, another signal will be given at which point an end in progress must be completed but no new end may be commenced.
- The definition of an end in progress is that the jack has been delivered by the first player to play in that end.
- Two trial ends (two bowls each up and down) will commence 15 minutes prior to the official start time. Any player not ready to play at their official start time shall forgo their right to play trial ends.

**Draw:**

Women’s teams will play a round robin against all the other teams. Playoff games follow the round robin.

Men’s teams will play a double round robin against all the other teams. Playoff games may follow the round robin.

| # of Teams   | Format      | # of Pools | # of Draws | Playoff Draws<br>Note 4                  | Tiebreakers |
|--------------|-------------|------------|------------|--|-------------|
| <b>WOMEN</b> |             |            |            |  |             |
| 7            | Round Robin | 1          | 7          | 1<br>One or two playoff games.<br>Note 2 | Note 1      |
|              |             |            |            |  |             |

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| <b>MEN</b> |                    |            |            |                         |             |
| 3          | Double Round Robin | 1          | 6          | 0 or 1<br>Note 3        | Note 1      |

**Note 1** – 1st Tiebreaker is Head to Head, 2nd Tiebreaker is plus/minus between tied teams, 3rd Tiebreaker is plus/minus between all teams.

**Note 2** – Final round robin team records for women:

If one team is 6-0 and the next best teams are 4-2, then no gold medal game. Using the tiebreakers, the next two best teams will play a silver/bronze medal game. This applies to the scenarios with a ‘\*’.

6-0, 5-1, 4-2, 3-3, 2-4, 1-5 & 0-6 then 6-0 team is first, the 5-1 team is second and they play a gold medal game, the 4-2 team is third, the 3-3 team is fourth and they play a bronze medal game

\*6-0, 4-2, 4-2, 4-2, 1-5, 1-5 & 1-5 then 6-0 team is first in the pool, use tie-breakers to determine which 4-2 teams are second, third and fourth

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\*6-0, 4-2, 4-2, 2-4, 2-4, 2-4 & 1-5 then 6-0 team is first in the pool, use tie-breakers to determine which 4-2 teams are second and third and use tie-breakers to determine which 2-4 team is fourth

5-1, 5-1, 4-2, 3-3, 2-4, 2-4 & 0-6 then use tie-breakers to determine which 5-1 team is first and second in the pool and they play a gold medal game, the 4-2 team is third and the 3-3 team is fourth and they play a bronze medal game

5-1, 5-1, 5-1, 4-2, 1-5, 1-5 & 0-6 then use tie-breakers to determine which 5-1 teams are first, second and third in the pool and the 4-2 team is fourth. First and second place teams play a gold medal game. Third and fourth place teams play a bronze medal game.

5-1, 5-1, 5-1, 2-4, 2-4, 2-4 & 0-6 then use tie-breakers to determine which 5-1 teams are first, second and third in the pool and use the tie-breakers to determine which 2-4 team is fourth. First and second place teams play a gold medal game. Third and fourth place teams play a bronze medal game.

**Note 3** - Final round robin team records for men:

4-0, 2-2 and 0-4 then the 4-0 team is awarded the gold, the 2-0 team is awarded the silver and the 0-4 team is awarded the bronze.

4-0, 1-3 and 1-3 then the 4-0 team is awarded the gold and the two 1-3 teams play a silver/bronze medal game

3-1, 3-1 and 0-4 then the two 3-1 teams play a gold medal game and the 0-4 team is awarded the bronze.

2-2, 2-2 and 2-2 then use the tie-breakers to determine the top two teams who play a gold medal game and the other team is awarded the bronze.

#### **Note 4**

a) Playoff games have the same rules as round robin games except there will be no time limits for these games.

b) During playoff games there will be no further play in a game, if, at any point, it becomes impossible for one team to win the game, given the number of ends left.

c) In the event a playoff game ends in a tie, then an extra end will be played. A coin flip will be used to determine "choice of mat" for the extra end.

#### **Scoring and Tie-Breaking Procedure for Round Robin**

a) Entrants will earn match points from each round robin game based on two (2) points for a win and zero (0) points for a loss.

b) All round robin games will have a winner. If a round robin game is tied after 14 ends, a one end tie-breaker end will be played. A coin flip will be used to determine "choice of mat" for the extra end.

c) No round robin games shall be conceded before the completion of all ends.

d) If a game is forfeited, the non-offending team will be awarded the win and a net total of shots that is equal to the average net total of shots scored by the winners of all other games played in the same round of the event. If the average is an odd number then round up to an even number.

e) At the end of round robin play, the rules outlined in Notes 1, 2 and 3 will be used to break ties and to determine which teams advance to the medal rounds games (playoffs), if necessary.

f) If, after applying Notes 1, 2 and 3, the drawmaster and umpire are unable to break a tie between teams eligible for the medal round games (playoffs), the Emergency Committee will be called to resolve the tie.

#### **Substitutions**

a. Prior to start of championship

A team may apply to substitute a team member up to one day prior to the start of the first draw in a championship. To be considered, a request for a substitution must be made by contacting the Bowls Saskatchewan office before 12:00 noon on the Thursday prior to the start of the championship. The request must state for which draw of the championship the substitution is being requested. The substitution will be allowed provided Bowls Saskatchewan can confirm that the substitute player meets the eligibility requirements for the event.

b. During the championship

Requests for a substitute will be received by the umpire in charge of the event

One substitute is permitted. The substitute may not play in the skip position.

The original player may return to the competition provided that not more than one full game has been missed. After that, the substitute becomes a member of the team.

The substitute must be an eligible player who meets these requirements:

- Is a registered member in good standing with Bowls Sask. and their affiliated club
- Is of the correct gender of the team
- Meets the age restriction for the championship
- Has not qualified to represent the province at a Canadian
- Is not a player on another team that has competed in the same championship.