

# 同心創前路 掌握新機遇 Together Progress Opportunity







# Celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Establishment of the HKSAR Reunification Cup



# **Conditions of Play**

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# Reporting Time and Schedule

- 1. All teams are required to report to the duty official on 9:30am on 1 July and 8:30am on 2 July. Late-comers will forfeit their first match.
- 2. All games will start when the green is available hence, teams may need to play before the scheduled time. Unless the team concerned is still engaged in the previous game, any team fail to get ready to play when the green is available will be forfeited the game to their opponent.
- 3. No official meal break is scheduled. Players are advised to make their own arrangements during their free sessions.

# **Competition Format**

- 1. 144 teams are divided into 18 groups of eight teams.
- 2. Single round-robin will be played. The top 32 teams with the most accumulated points will be qualified for different competitions:

 $1^{st} - 8^{th}$  Cup Competition  $9^{th} - 16^{th}$  Plate Competition  $17^{th} - 24^{th}$  Bowl Competition  $25^{th} - 32^{nd}$  Spoon Competition

- 3. During the round-robin stage, all fours ends of the two sets should be played to complete the game. Two points will be awarded for a set win and one point for a set draw. Two additional points will also be awarded to the team with the most aggregate shots after the two sets. If the aggregate shots are tied, each team will be awarded one point.
- 4. At the completion of each stage, all teams will be ranked in the order of:
  - a) Highest points won
  - b) Highest net total of shots scored
  - c) Highest number of ends won
  - d) The team that won the game played between the two teams
  - e) If still equal, the toss of a coin will decide the winner
- 5. If a match is forfeited, the non-offending team will be credited with one match won, two sets won, a net total of 4 ends and 4 shots, and vice versa for the default team.
- 6. All scorecards must be signed and handed in to the duty official immediately after each match.

### Match Format

- 1. Fours. Two bowls per player. Sets play. Two sets of 4 ends. All ends in both sets must be completed. No tiebreak or extra ends are required in round-robin stage.
- Quarter Finals, Semi-Finals and Final: In the event of a tie after the two sets have been completed, one additional ends shall be played and the number of shots higher in the additional ends will decide the result. Should there be a tie after the extra ends, another extra end will be played to decide the winner.
- 3. For first set, the winner of the toss of coin chooses the team to be the first to play. For second set, the winner of the first set or, if the set is a tie, the winner of the last scoring end, will be the first to play. For tiebreak and any further extra ends, the winner of the toss of coin chooses the team to be the first to play.
- 4. Any team which burns the jack will be penalized with 2 shots added to its opponents for that end. The end will be counted as a played end.
- 5. No trial end & No visit to the head.
- 6. Lead, Second and Third to remain at mat end until after delivery of the second bowl of the Third of both teams.
- 7. In view of the tight schedule, all players should play with a smart pace, refrain from prolonged deliberations and be swift when crossing the rink. The duty official may take action against an act of slow play at his/her discretion if the progress of a match is deemed to be delayed.

### <u>Substitutions</u>

- 1. Only one substitute is allowed in each match. A minimum of 3 original players have to play in each match.
- 2. Substitute is not allowed to play as Skip irrespective of the number of matches played.
- 3. No team is allowed to play with less than 4 players.
- 4. No transfer player between team.

# **Dress Code**

1. All players in day 1 should wear matching team uniform from their respective clubs. On day 2, HKLBA requested all participants wear a 20th Reunification Cup uniform which will be distributed on day 1.

## <u>General</u>

- 1. The Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association reserves the right to alter the format and schedule of play, venue and allocated rinks, etc. to suit unforeseen circumstances.
- 2. In case of disputes, the decision of the duty official is final.
- 3. Closing dinner on 6pm at HKFC. All dinner ticket will be distributed on day 1 venue. Please present ticket for check in. No replacement will be made for lost or damaged tickets.