

National Champion of Champions Championship 2022

Conditions of Play

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Arrival Time and Playing Schedule

Players and markers are required to report in person to the duty official at least 10 minutes before each match. Players are not allowed to leave the venue before their last match at that venue unless with the permission of the duty official.

Late arrivals or no-shows will be disqualified.

The duty official may advance the playing schedule to expedite proceedings wherever possible. Any player who refuses to start play earlier than the original schedule as instructed by the duty official will be disqualified.

Competition Format

Round-robin followed by knock-out play. The top ranked player of each group will progress to the next stage. Men's & Women's knock-out stage comprises the Quarter finals, Semi-finals and Final.

In the preliminary round, 40 men players are drawn into 8 groups and 32 women players into 8 groups.

For sectional round-robin matches, 2 points for each match won and 1 point for a tie. Players will be ranked within each group in the order of:-

- a. higher number of points scored;
- b. higher aggregate shots difference;
- c. higher shot for;
- d. match results of the players concerned; and
- e. toss of coin.

All results relating to a disqualified player will be expunged.

Match Format

Four bowls per player. All matches up to the Quarter Final will be decided by the time limit of 50 minutes or the first to reach 13 or a maximum of 12 ends.

Semi-Finals and finals will be decided by the time limit of 60 minutes or the first to reach 17 or a maximum of 14 ends.

All scorecards must be handed to the duty official after each match.

Matches will commence as signified by the duty official. An end in course of play when time up is signified is required to be completed.

No trial ends; except for the Finals where one trial end of two bowls per player in each direction of play is allowed before the appointed start time.

No visit to the head until after the delivery of a player's third bowl.

A jack in motion which goes out of bound or has otherwise become dead will be re-spotted on the centre line with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line at a spot which is 2 metres from the front ditch, commonly known as the "T". Players and markers are advised to agree to and identify the spot prior to the commencement of each match.

Marker Arrangement

For each group of 4 or 5 players, the first-named player of each match is required to provide a Marker as stated in the fixtures (Including Quarter Finals).

A player who fails to provide a Marker as required will be disqualified.

Markers for the Semi Finals and Finals will be arranged by the HKLBA.

Other Matters

Players are required to respect and observe house rules of venue clubs. No outside food and drinks are allowed at venue clubs. Club management can ask violating players to leave their premises immediately without warning.

HKLBA reserves the right to alter the format, length and times of play, venue, schedule, etc. to suit unforeseen circumstances.

In any case, the decision of the venue duty official is final.