

香港草地滾球總會 Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association

Under-25 Singles Championship 2015

Organised by HKLBA - Subvented by LCSD

Conditions of Play

1. Tournament date, time and venue:

<u>Day 1 – Sunday 18th October – Tai Po Waterfront Park Bowling Green</u> First session reporting time for Players and Markers: 9.15 a.m.

<u>Day 2 – Sunday 25th October – Hang Hau Man Kuk Lane Park Bowling Green</u> Men reporting time: 8.45 a.m.; women reporting time: 12.05 p.m. Draw will be conducted at the same times.

Players and those appointed as Markers are required to report to the Duty Umpire in person at least 15 minutes before their first match as a Player/Marker. Players and Markers are then required to be ready for play at the allocated rink at the scheduled time for each match. No grace period is allowed. Late-comers, including as Markers, will be disqualified for the tournament.

No official meal break is scheduled in the fixtures. Participants are advised to make arrangement between matches.

2. Marker arrangement:

All Players are required to act as Markers. Any Player who fails to oblige will be disqualified for the tournament.

On Day 1, Players will act as Markers as indicated in the fixtures.

On Day 2, for the 9.00 a.m. session, any men Player may be required to act as Markers. For subsequent sessions, losing Players in previous sessions will act as Markers. Appointment of Markers is at the discretion of the Duty Umpire. A Player may be required to mark for more than one match.

3. Dress code and footwear:

Players and Markers are required to wear proper lawn bowls attire, namely predominantly white or cream shorts, trousers or skirts, and collared shirts or affiliated club bowling shirts and proper lawn bowls shoes. Any undergarment or protective sleeves must be white in colour or of the same main colour as the shirt.

4. Competition format:

Round-robin sectional play followed by knock-outs.

In the men's section, 30 Players are drawn into 8 groups for round-robin sectional play on Day 1. The top 2 ranked Players of each group will progress through to knock-out play on Day 2.

In the women's section, 14 Players are drawn into 4 groups for round-robin sectional play on Day 1. The top 2 ranked Players of each group will progress through to knock-out play on Day 2.

For round-robin sectional play, 2 game points will be awarded for each match won and 1 point for a tie. All results of a disqualified player will be expunged. At the completion of the round-robin, Players will be ranked within each group in the order of:-

- Higher number of Game Points;
- Higher number of Shots Difference (Total Shots For minus Total Shots Against);
- Higher percentage of Shots For against Shots Against (Total Shots For divided by Total Shots Against);
- Winner of the match between the Players concerned;
- Toss of coin.

The draw for knock-out play on Day 2 will be conducted by the Duty Umpire 15 minutes before the start of the relevant sessions.

5. Match format

Four bowls per Player.

17 shots up.

A time limit of 75 minutes for round-robin matches; and 90 minutes for knock-out matches. If the match is a tie when the time is up in knock-out matches, an extra end will be played.

No trial ends.

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

No dead ends. A jack out of bound 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 "T".

6. Bowlers Rankings points:

The Bowlers Rankings points to be awarded for qualification for Hong Kong China Under-25 Squad selection are as follows:-

- Champion -- 16 points
- First runners-up -- 8 points
- Second and third runners-up -- 4 points
- Finished in the top 8 but not in top 4 -- 2 points
- Finished in the top 16 but not in top 8 -- 1 point

Points are non-accumulative. No points will be awarded to any disqualified Player.

- 7. Players are reminded to observe venue regulations at all times.
- 8. In any event, the decision of the duty umpire is final.
- 9. In the case of green closure, any remaining fixtures will be put back one week. Players are responsible to check the updated fixtures at HKLBA website.
- 10. Venue address:

<u>Tai Po Waterfront Park Bowling Green</u> Dai Fat Street, Tai Po (Tel. No. 26675489)

Hang Hau Man Kuk Lane Park Bowling Green

Hang Hau Man Kuk Lane Park, 6 Man Kuk Lane, Hang Hau, Tseung Kwan O (Tel. No. 34039367)

11. For enquiries, please telephone 2504 8249 from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. between Monday and Friday.