

THE NEW SURREY BOWLS LEAGUE

(Revised October, 2014)

All Leagues and Competitions

General Rules

G1. Administration

The administration of all competitive games will be by the Officers of The New Surrey Bowls League.

G2. Participation

Only current Member Clubs may participate in the leagues and competitions of The New Surrey Bowls League.

G3. Fees

The amount of the entry fee for each league or competition will be determined at the AGM.

G4. Bowls England

All matches will be played in accordance with Bowls England Rules.

G5. Rinks

Rinks will be drawn in both league matches and competitions.

G6. Players

All players must be male members of Member Clubs of the The New Surrey Bowls League and may only play for one Member Club during the season.

G7. Dress

As a mark of courtesy to the opposition, players will be expected to appear at matches in greys with ties and blazers. County registered coloured (or uniform team) shirts may be worn on the green provided prior permission has been sought from the home or host club. If these are worn in either a team or sides event, all players in the team must wear the same type of shirt.

G8. Green Fees

Green Fees will not be charged for The New Surrey Bowls League matches or competitions (though separate arrangements may be made for Finals Day).

G9. Hospitality

Hospitality will be as agreed between the Clubs, but matches will not be interrupted by meals or refreshments.

G10. Clubs Defaulting in Matches

Clubs will be judged to be in default if they are unable to commence play 30 minutes after the appointed start time or if there are more players absent from their team than is permitted by the rules of the applicable league or competition.

G11. Penalties for Clubs Defaulting in Matches

Penalties are applied to encourage Clubs to fulfil matches and competitions irrespective of whether their preferred players will be available on particular occasions.

In a competition one default will result in expulsion from that competition only for that season only.

In the event of a Club being unable to play one league match it may complete its remaining league matches and competitions, but will have to apply for re-admission to the The New Surrey Bowls League (under the terms of Section 5 of the Constitution); however the time limits will not apply.

If a Club defaults more than once in a one league only during one season it will be expelled immediately from that league only. In the event that more than one default occurs in both leagues the defaulting club will be expelled immediately from The New Surrey Bowls League. The expelled club will have the right of appeal against such expulsions at the immediately following Annual General Meeting, but, whatever the outcome of the appeal, the results of any matches or competitions already played will be expunged from League records.

G12. League Tables

Where practicable, league results, league tables, and competition updates will be circulated at least once a month by the Press Officer.

G13. Disputes

Any dispute or other matter not covered by these general rules or the individual league and competition rules will be referred to the Officers of The New Surrey Bowls League whose decision will be final.

G14. Alteration to Rules

Alteration to rules will be made by a simple majority vote of those attending and authorised to vote at a Committee or General Meeting. The Chairman will have a casting vote if necessary.