

EL CID BOWLS CLUB

CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES 2023/24

The Controlling Body will be The Captain, Vice Captain/ and Match Secretary , any of two of whom will constitute a quorum. **All games will be played under current World Bowls Laws of the Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark Edition) including additions below.**

All eligible club members can enter into the 'Drawn Mixed Singles' and "Drawn Aussie Pairs" disciplines by placing their names on the Entry Sheets posted on the notice board. The Novices, Drawn Aussie Pairs and Drawn Mixed Singles will be FREE to enter. All other disciplines remain at 5 Euro fee per person per discipline. **[N.B. All monies to be paid to Club Treasurer prior to the draw]** The closing date for entries is **Sunday 1st October 2023** and the Competition draw will be made on **Tuesday 3rd October 2023.**

All rounds up to the Finals will be played **on** the **dates specified** on the Competition Entry Sheets. If entrant unable to play on the play on date given they MUST arrange the match BEFORE that date. Extensions will only be given in EXTREME circumstances. The Finals will **provisionally** be played during the week 11th to 17th March. The exact Schedules TBA.

All competitors entering this championship must be available to play in the semi-finals and finals.

Winners Trophies will be presented on the green after each discipline has finished. The Presentation Ceremony & BBQ will be held on TBC **though this date also to be confirmed.**

INTERNAL REGULATION 5. Competitions and Tournaments

1. It is a condition of entry to the ECBC Championships that:
 - a. the winners and runners-up of each discipline shall attend the presentation ceremony. Should the original date of the presentation ceremony be changed, then any prize winner shall be excused attendance if personal circumstances prevent their attendance. It is not a condition of entry that prize winners must also attend the dinner dance. Failure to comply with these conditions shall attract a ban from entering the ECBC Championships the following year.

Players must NOT have previously played or practiced at El Cid on the same day as a Championship Match, unless it was in another Championship Match. Matches up to and including the Semi Finals shall be drawn from ALL available rinks, immediately prior to the match, excluding any rink that a player has already played on that day.

Should the game not be played on or prior to the date specified (other than in the case of illness) a bye will be given to the opposing player/s.

REPLACEMENTS / SUBSTITUTES

Teams as originally entered and shown on the team list are expected to stay together throughout the competition. The only exception to this will be if the Controlling Body has approved a replacement/substitute in advance and the replacement's/substitute's name has been given. Once a replacement/substitute has been made the original player may not return to the team for that discipline, during the remainder of the Competition. Any replacement/substitute should not have previously played in the same Competition for another Team,

N.B. [1]Replacements or Substitutes cannot play in "Skip" position for any discipline for the remainder of the competition. [2] Only Replacements or Substitutes can be used who were eligible to play on the original Championship Draw Date.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Discipline Champions are expected and encouraged to enter the Champion Of Champions which take place between the 7th and 14th April 2024. This year ONLY discipline Champions can enter. (No substitutes-replacements allowed as in previous years). Venues to be notified when known.

ILLNESS. If a game is not played, on or before the setdate, due to illness, then provided that the Controlling Body has been notified (in advance of the start of the game), the game may be played on a mutually acceptable later date. This later date must be within **7 days** of the original set date of the round in question. If this is not achieved then a bye will go to the opposing player/team.

TRIAL ENDS. Two trial ends will be played in all matches.

ARRIVAL TIME

If any Singles player or member of a team is not available 30 minutes after the appointed start time then that player or team shall forfeit the game. (Provided there is no suitable replacement available and has been approved by the Controlling Body)

SINGLES GAMES (FINALS)

The controlling body will arrange a qualified marker for the finals of Men's & Ladies Singles, from the list of QualifiedMarkers/ Umpires.[A list of Qualified Markers names will be displayed on the Notice Board and Club Website].

Finally, as always, in any game an umpire's decision is final. The Controlling Body will resolve any problem or dispute outside the jurisdiction of the umpire and reserve the right to alter the rules or set dates under exceptional circumstances. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CLUBS INTERNAL REGULATIONS MUST BE COMPLIED WITH.

**THE CONTROLLING BODY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS
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