



# PREMIER CUP 2021

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

The PREMIER CUP competition is played between all Member Clubs of NQLBA

### 1. ALLOCATION OF EVENT & COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

- a. The Premier Cup Sub-Committee shall comprise the NQLBA Match Committee members who may co-opt others as required.

### 2. CONTROL & CONDUCT

- a. THE NQLBA Match Committee is the Controlling Body for this event and it reserves the right to alter the Conditions of Play, the format, the times of play and the greens to suit unforeseen circumstances, giving as much notice as practical, to achieve a result.
- b. Subject to these rules and conditions, the Controlling Body has the power to inquire into and adjudicate any dispute or interruption as they occur.
- c. A disputes Committee shall comprise of a NQLBA Match Committee member or nominee and where possible an Umpire Committee member.
- d. All games shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the 'Laws of the Sport of Bowls' – Crystal Mark 3.1 Edition, Bowls Qld By-laws and these Conditions of Play.
- e. The winner of the previous years' event shall be the venue Club for the next year.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The Competition is open to every Member Club of NQLBA whose female members must be a financial member of the Club they are representing, NQLBA and BQ.
- b. Rights of Members of two or more Clubs – as per Bowls Qld By-laws.
- c. Players under suspension or expulsion are ineligible to play.

### 4. COMPOSITE SIDES

- a. Composite Sides are not permitted in Premier Cup. However, a Club may form a team under the 'Rights of Members of two or more Clubs' - BQ By-laws.

### 5. NOMINATIONS

- a. It is a condition of entry for this event that players are familiar with and must accept these Conditions of Play.
- b. Each Club with the NQLBA District may nominate one team of four (4) players.
- c. A nomination will only be accepted, and included in the draw, if it is accompanied by the prescribed nomination fee and reaches the NQLBA Secretary, or the PO Box address, no later than 4.00 pm on the nominated closing date.
- d. Date as per the nomination form, nominations close approximately four (4) weeks prior to the first day of play.
- e. Nomination fees are not refunded after the closing date.

### 6. GREEN FEES / LUNCH / AFTERNOON TEA

- a. The NQLBA Treasurer will email all participating Clubs a breakdown of their costs.
- b. Payment of all fees shall be paid to the venue Club prior to the commencement of play on the first day.
- c. Lunch and morning/afternoon teas are provided by the venue Club each day as advised by the Match Committee.



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## CONDITIONS OF PLAY

### 7. MODE OF PLAY

- a. All games shall be 21 ends.
- b. No time limit shall apply.

### 8. THE PLAY

- a. All matches shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 3.1 Edition, Bowls Qld By-laws, NQDLBA By-laws and these Conditions of Play.
- b. Play shall be a round robin.
- c. Play in all matches shall commence punctually in accordance with the times set out on the schedule issued by the Controlling Body.
- d. Rinks shall be allocated by the Controlling Body. In unforeseen circumstances the Match Committee may require teams to play on the same rinks on the same day.
- e. Trial ends, time permitting, shall be allowed at the start of each game, as per rule 5.1, 'Laws of the Sport of Bowls' - Crystal Mark 3.1 Edition. Trial ends are regulated by the Controlling Body and are to be completed before starting time.
- f. Clubs who receive a bye or a forfeit must check with the Match Committee representative to determine times and venues they are expected to attend for lunch, morning/afternoon teas, presentation ceremony and any other obligatory duties.

### 9. SCORE CARDS

- a. Clubs are to provide their own scorecards.
- b. Captains shall notify the Controlling Body of any proposed changes to their Team prior to the start of play.

### 10. SUBSTITUTES

- a. The venue Club must provide three (3) substitutes for the entire competition.
- b. A venue Club substitute may be used (in the case of sickness or accidents) for the entire game, or until such time as an eligible substitute can be made from their own Club.
- c. Substitutes to wear their Club uniform.
- d. The Controlling Body & Umpire must be notified of any Substitute.

### 11. PROVISION OF UMPIRE/SCORER

- a. The Match Committee shall allocate the Umpire and Scorer for each venue.

### 12. RETRACTABLE SHADE COVERS / LIGHTS

- a. Shade covers are to be used wherever possible; the Controlling Body to authorise the movement of shade covers. Common sense to prevail.
- b. Games shall be played or completed under lights if required.

### 13. ADVERSE WEATHER

The Controlling Body shall monitor weather conditions. Players welfare should always be at the forefront of any decisions made to delay or postpone play. Common sense to prevail.



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## 14. TROPHIES/BADGES

- a. The winning Club shall receive a Trophy and the Players shall receive a badge.
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive badges and a certificate for the Club.
- c. 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive a certificate for the Club.
- d. It is the responsibility of the winning Club to engrave the Premier Cup Trophy. NQDLBA will reimburse the cost of the engraving provided it is done within three (3) months.

## 15. RAFFLES

- a. The host Club is permitted to conduct two (2) raffles per day and one (1) other raffle to be run over the duration of the competition.

## 16. ATTIRE

- a. Attire shall be Club uniform with a BA logo; players must be similarly attired.

## 17. SMOKING REGULATIONS

- a. Smoking on the green is not permitted during the progress of the game and players must abide by the rules of the venue Club as to the designated smoking areas.

## 18. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

All electronic communication devices located within six (6) metres of the green whilst a match is in progress **SHALL BE SWITCHED OFF**. These include mobile phones, pagers, ipads, ipods, radios etc. Special dispensation may be given to “on call” emergency personnel by the Controlling Body after consultation.

## 19. SOCIAL MEDIA

To assist in ensuring that interactions between players and officials are harmonious the following will be included in the Conditions of Play as permitted by Appendix A.1.4.15. Bowls Queensland Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures.

- a) “No player shall use Social Media to make derogatory comments about NQDLBA, any official, the event or any other player for the duration of the competition. Any infringement of this Condition shall render the offender liable to disqualification from the event”.

## 20. SCORING

- a. The Team with the highest aggregate of shots is awarded a match win in each round. (W)
- b. A drawn game is recorded as a draw. (D)
- c. No score is recorded for a bye.
- d. No score is recorded if a Team withdraws before the competition begins.
- e. A score is recorded for a forfeit if it is received during the competition; three (3) rink wins (W); and the margin is calculated by; an average of the sum of all winning margins in that section for that round.
- f. The overall Premier Cup winner is the Team with the highest score in the following order:
  - i. Wins & Draws.
  - ii. Margin
  - iii. Rink Wins
  - iv. Ends