



2023 PENNANT

Blue – May 29,30,31

Red- June 12,13,14

Purple – June 19,20,21

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. PENNANT DIVISIONS

- a. There shall be three Pennant divisions:
 - Blue Pennant – 3 teams of four players
 - Red Pennant – 2 teams of four players
 - Purple Pennant - 2 teams of four players
- b. The Blue Pennant winner shall go on to play in the District Pennant play-off with the winner going on to play in the BQ State Pennant finals.
- c. The Red Pennant will consist of four clubs only, being the top four clubs from the 2022 Red Pennant results. If a Blue Pennant club from 2022 does not wish to contest Blue Pennant, then they can nominate for Red Pennant and the bottom Red Pennant club will be relegated to Purple Pennant.
- d. If four clubs have not nominated in Red Pennant, the top ranked Purple Pennant club will be elevated to Red Pennant.
- e. All remaining nominated teams will play in the Purple Pennant. There will be relegation from Purple to Red for the winning club and from Red to Purple for the bottom club for the following year.

2. CONTROL AND CONDUCT

- a. THE NQDLBA Match Committee is the Controlling Body for this event and 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 NQDLBA Match Committee member or her nominee and the Umpires Co-ordinator or his nominee.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- a. CLUBS
 - Only Clubs affiliated with NQDLBA may enter the Pennant competition.
- b. PLAYERS
 - The players must be listed in the BQ membership database by the closing date of nominations.
 - A player must be a member of the Club they are representing.
- c. PLAYER CLEARANCES
 - A club must not accept a player from another club affiliated in Queensland without an interclub clearance or another club outside of Queensland without an inter-state clearance.
- d. COMPOSITE SIDES
 - At the discretion of NQDLBA Management Committee composite Sides may be permitted.



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4. NOMINATIONS

- a. Nomination fees will be set annually or as determined by NQDLBA Management Committee.
- b. Nomination for Pennant must be received by NQDLBA Secretary by date listed on NQDLBA Calendar. NQ will invoice Clubs their nomination fee, which shall be paid on receipt of the invoice.
- c. Each Club's 'player list' shall be forwarded to the NQDLBA Secretary as per NQDLBA Calendar date.
- d. It is expected that the winner of Blue Pennant shall go on to represent their Club at District and State level.
- e. It is a condition of entry for this event that players are familiar with and must accept these Conditions of Play.

5. VENUES

- a. The Match Committee shall invite Clubs to make their greens available for Pennant.
- b. The Pennant venues and headquarters are on a rotational basis listed at the end of these conditions.

6. GREEN FEES / LUNCH / AFTERNOON TEA

- a. Payment of all fees shall be paid to the venue Club prior to the commencement of play on the first day at the designated venue Club.

7. PROVISION OF UMPIRES / SCORERS

The Match Committee shall allocate umpires and scorers for each venue.

8. RAFFLES

Each host Club is permitted to conduct one (1) Club raffle and one (1) NQDLBA raffle per day.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

9. MODE OF PLAY

- a. Blue Pennant shall be 18 ends.
- b. Red Pennant shall be 18 ends.
- c. Purple Pennant shall be 18 ends.
- d. No time limit shall apply.
- e. Depending on the number of nominations, Match Committee will determine whether there shall be a round robin or sectional play.
- f. In unforeseen circumstances, the Match Committee may require teams to play on the same rinks on the same day.



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10. THE PLAY

- a. All matches shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 4th edition, Bowls Qld By-laws, NQDLBA By-laws and these Conditions of Play.
- b. Play in all matches shall commence punctually in accordance with the times set out on the schedule issued by the Controlling Body.
- c. 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.
- d. Trial ends, time permitting, shall be allowed at the start of each game. Trial ends are regulated by the Controlling Body and are to be completed before starting time.
- e. 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.

11. SCORE CARDS

- a. Each Club will supply their own scorecards.
- b. Card, complete with player names, shall be presented to the Match Committee no later than thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of play.
- c. Side Captains shall notify the Match Committee Representative (for approval) of any changes to their Side prior to the start of play.
- d. At the conclusion of every match the Side Captain will deliver their score cards, correctly completed, to the Official Master Scorer.

12. ATTIRE

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

13. SUBSTITUTES

- a. The venue Club must provide three (3) substitutes for Blue Pennant and two (2) for Red and Purple Pennant for the entire day. Substitutes are to wear their Club uniform.
- 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. The Controlling Body & Umpire must be notified (for approval) of any Substitute.

14. ADVERSE WEATHER

- a. In the event of inclement weather, Match Committee may allocate a time limit.

15. CONSTITUTED MATCH

- a. Blue Pennant – a combined total of 28 ends will constitute a match.
- b. Red Pennant – a combined total of 19 ends will constitute a match.
- c. Purple Pennant – a combined total of 19 ends will constitute a match.

16. RETRACTABLE SHADE COVERS / LIGHTS

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



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17. PLAYER MOVEMENTS DURING PLAY - Note: Players will only be allowed to walk up to the head as follows:

- a. The Leads: after the second player in their team has delivered their second bowl. The seconds: after delivery of their second bowl. The thirds: after delivery of their second bowl. The skips: may go to the head after delivery of either skip's first bowl.
- b. Players Position: Players, excluding skips, are not permitted to remain at the head whilst their opposite number is delivering their bowl. Any skip choosing to remain at the head end shall retire behind the head. Skips must return to the mat immediately their opponent's bowl has come to rest.
- c. Restricting the movement of player does not prohibit a player being called to the head by the skip, however care should be taken not to delay play.
- d. Delaying play If the umpire, either by their own observation or on appeal from one of the skips decides that a player/side is playing in an unsportsmanlike manner by deliberately delaying play:
 - On the first occasion the umpire will warn the player/side.
 - If the player/side commits the same offence a second time the end will be regarded as completed and the opponents of the offender/s will score as many shots as there are bowls in use by such opponent; and
 - If the player offends the third time the game will be forfeited to the opponent/s

18. POSITION OF PLAYERS WHEN NOT PLAYING

- a. Players at the mat end not delivering a bowl should stand a minimum of one (1) metre behind the mat.
- b. Players at the head end not controlling the head should stand a minimum of two (2) metres behind the head,
- c. On the surrounds of the green if the jack is in the ditch, or
- d. Well clear of the head if it is not possible to stand on the surrounds.
- e. At the start of each end only the Skip or Deputy will be at the head.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. 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.*



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22. TROPHIES/BADGES

- a. There shall be an individual team trophy.
 - Blue Pennant – The Wilma Berryman Trophy
 - Red Pennant – The Marie Venn Trophy
 - Purple Pennant –The NQDLBA Trophy
- b. The individual team trophy winners will receive a badge and a trophy which is held for the current year.
- c. The winning Club shall receive a Pennant flag which is held for the current year and a miniature banner.
- d. Winners and runners-up will receive a Pennant badge.

23. SCORING

- a. The Side with the highest aggregate of shots is awarded a match win in each round. (W)
- b. A drawn match is recorded as a draw. (D)
- c. A drawn rink is recorded as a draw. (D)
- d. No score is recorded for a bye.
- e. No score is recorded if a Club withdraws before the competition begins.
- f. 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.
- g. The overall Pennant winner is the Side with the highest score in the following order:
 - Wins & Draws.
 - Margin
 - Rink Wins
- h. The overall winner of the Team Trophy, is the Team with the highest score in the following order:
 - Rink Wins & Draws
 - Margin
 - Ends

Year	Blue Pennant	Headquarters	Red Pennant	Headquarters	Purple Pennant	Headquarters
2020	Townsville	Suburban	Herbert River	(Not played)		
2021	Townsville	Suburban	Herbert River	Noorla		
2022	Townsville	Jubilee	Bowen Region	Wangaratta	Burdekin	Ayr
2023	Townsville		Herbert River		Bowen Region	
2024	Townsville		Burdekin		Herbert River	
2025	Townsville		Bowen Region		Burdekin	
2026	Townsville		Herbert River		Bowen Region	



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Townsville Rotation – Club not played at.

2021	Jubilee
2022	Suburban
2023	Thuringowa
2024	South Townsville
2025	Jubilee
2026	Suburban
2027	Thuringowa
2028	South Townsville