

MEN'S DIVISION

USE of REPLACEMENT and SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS

for

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

1 Application of this notice

This notice must be read together with the notice issued by the Men's Division Manly Bowls Club Inc (the *men's division*) titled *Conditions of play—division championship events*.

2 Commencement

This notice will remain in force for 3 years commencing on 1 September 2025.

3 Terms used in this notice

absent player means a player in a team who is unable or unavailable to play at any time, including the 1st end of a game, for a reason stated in condition 4(2) of this notice.

bowls laws means—

- (a) the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark Edition, in force at the relevant time as published by World Bowls Limited; and
- (b) the Australian Domestic Regulations (**DR**) in force at the relevant time as made by Bowls Australia.

constituted player see the bowls laws, DR 2.3.

controlling body means the men's division of the Manly Bowls Club.

event means a men's division championship event.

replacement player see the bowls laws, DR 2.1.4.

substitute see the bowls laws, DR 2.1.3.

4 Use of substitute in an event

- (1) This condition applies to the use of a substitute for an absent player from a team in a game for an event.
- (2) As provided under DR 2.4 (**Substitutes**), the controlling body has determined that the use of a substitute for the absent player from a team will be permitted if, at the material time, the absent player—
 - (a) is unable to play; or
 - (b) is unavailable to play; or
 - (c) has been called to participate in a higher level event at the same time as the men's division event.

- (3) To remove any doubt, the use of a substitute will not be permitted for—
 - (a) the absent player from the team if, at the material time, the absent player is playing in a bowls event that is not a higher level bowls event; or
 - (b) an absent singles player.
- (4) The controlling body has also determined that a substitute for a constituted player in the Veteran Pairs event will not be permitted if the substitute does not meet the eligibility criterion to play in that event.
- (5) For this condition—

higher level bowls event means an bowls event being conducted by Bowls Australia, Bowls Queensland or a district bowls association.

5 Use of replacement player

- (1) As provided under DR 2.5 (**Replacement players**), the controlling body has determined that the use of a replacement player will only be permitted for a constituted player if, in any round after the 1st round of the competition, the player is—
 - (a) unable to continue to play in the competition; or
 - (b) unavailable to continue to play in the competition.
- (2) The controlling body has also determined that the replacement player for a constituted player in the Veteran Pairs event will not be permitted if the replacement player does not meet the eligibility criterion to play in that event.

6 Effect if use of substitute or replacement player not permitted

The opposing team will be awarded the game if—

- (a) the use of a substitute is not permitted under condition 4; or
- (b) a replacement player is not permitted under condition 5; or
- (c) within 30 mins after the scheduled start time for the game—
 - (i) a substitute cannot be found for the absent player; or
 - (ii) a replacement player cannot found for an absent player.