

**Conditions of Play****1. Status**

- 1.1. Event Conditions of play are supplementary to “laws of the sport of bowls” Crystal mark fourth edition and Bowls New Zealand Domestic regulations.
- 1.2. Conditions of play are published following Law 57.1 & 57.2, permitting “Bowls Auckland” as the controlling body to establish conditions of play covering certain aspects of the sport. This document and its conditions apply to the above-named event, all players, clubs, centres, and other personnel involved in it.
- 1.3. This document is subject to change, any changes will be announced and published where appropriate.

**2. Name, Dates and Venues**

- 2.1. The event’s formal name is:
  - 2.1.1. National Under 26 Pairs Championship.
- 2.2. Dates:
  - 2.2.1. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025.
- 2.3. Venues:
  - 2.3.1. To be confirmed.

**3. Controlling Body**

- 3.1. The Controlling body is Bowls Auckland, made up of its appointed tournament director, event umpires, Bowls Auckland Staff and officials and/or any other persons the tournament director may wish to co-opt for their skillset and knowledge in assisting in the delivery of the event.

**4. Eligibility**

- 4.1. All players must be 26 or under as of the day the tournament commences.
- 4.2. Entries can be any combination of M/M, F/F, M/F.

**5. Playing Format**

- 5.1. Trial ends (one each way) will be permitted before the first round only.
- 5.2. All games will be played:
  - 5.2.1. 14 ends or 1 & ¾ hours, whichever occurs first.  
Except for the championship final which will be played with no time limit.
  - 5.2.2. Up to four games will be played per day.
- 5.3. If an end in progress is becomes dead, the end will continue with the Jack being replaced on the 2M mark.
- 5.4. Restricting player movements:
  - 5.4.1. Leads are not to visit the head until all their bowls have been played
  - 5.4.2. Skips may visit the head after their second bowl, or before their third bowl.
  - 5.4.3. To ensure fair play, visits to the head should be limited to 60 seconds.  
Players found time wasting, at the discretion of the umpire, will receive a warning and then have the privilege removed for the remainder of that round if continued, if warned a third time it will be for the remainder of the event.
- 5.5. Alterations to playing format:  
The controlling body reserves the right to alter the format, times, and length of games to suit unforeseen circumstances, providing practical notice.

### 6. Determining Tournament Ranking

- 6.1. Each game one will be worth two (2) game points, and each game drawn will be worth one (1) game point.
- 6.2. If after all section-play rounds are complete pairs in the same section have equal game points, the highest net total of shots will determine the higher qualifier.

### 7. Qualification

- 7.1. Will be played on Saturday 29 March.
- 7.2. The qualifying requirements will be confirmed with the draw and once team entries are known.

### 8. Post-section

- 8.1. Will be played on Sunday 30 March.
- 8.2. Teams will be split into two flights (Cup and Plate) based on qualifying results.
- 8.3. Post-section format will be determined once team entries are confirmed however all teams will play at least three, maximum four rounds on the Sunday.

### 9. Clothing and Footwear

- 9.1. Shoes must be flat-soled and without a heel (bare feet not allowed). Soles may be of non-slip material or slightly abrasive. Running sneakers and court shoes may also be permitted provided they have rounded soles/tread and no sharp edges.
- 9.2. Clothing should be either Bowls Club uniforms, school uniforms or generic sports polo with appropriate sports-styled pants/shorts/skorts.

### 10. Smoking and Alcohol

- 10.1. Smoking and vaping are restricted to designated areas only.
- 10.2. Alcohol will not be available for sale to all players and patrons until all games have been completed (The bar will be open for soft drinks, juices and snacks).

### 11. Prizes and prize money

- 11.1. Winners will receive prize money credited into a nominated bank account within 7 days of the events completed.
- 11.2. The Winners will be awarded a trophy which will be kept by Bowls Auckland and badges which will be kept by the players.

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> equal
Championship	\$1200	\$800	\$150 per team
Plate	\$300	\$200	\$100 per team