

WORTHING PAVILION BOWLING CLUB
FRIDAY INVITATION FOURS LEAGUE
2019/20

RULES

1. Teams to consist of between 6 and 12 players, names must be registered at the time of application. Additions or substitutions will be permitted , subject to the agreement of the league organisers, but all players must be registered before they play and the number of registered players must not exceed 12. Players may be either male or female.
2. The league will comprise a single divisions with a maximum of 14 teams. If more than 14 teams register the league will be expanded to two divisions with approximately equal numbers of teams.
3. **An entrance fee of £20.00 per team** will be payable at the time of registration.

Based on the entry of 12 teams the prize money will be as follows:-

WINNERS	£120.00
RUNNERS UP	£80.00
THIRD PLACE	£40.00

4. If the competition has been run as two divisions, at the conclusion of the competition, the two top teams in the lower Division will move into the higher Division and the two bottom teams in the higher Division will move to the lower Division. If the numbers in the two divisions become unbalanced, the organisers reserve the right to change the promotion or relegation numbers for that year. This would be announced early in the affected season.
5. Games will begin at 6.30 pm and will consist of 18 ends. Start time may be extended to 7:00pm by mutual agreement between teams. No jack will be cast after 9:45pm and there will be no trial ends. Players are not allowed to visit the head.
All games will be played on the designated rinks.
6. There will be no dead-ends. If the jack leaves the side of the rink it will be re-spotted on the designated spot on the side where it left the rink. If the spot is occupied, the jack will be positioned nearer to the centre line but not touching the obstructing wood.

7. Teams not ready to play **WITHIN 15 MINUTES OF THE AGREED START TIME WILL FORFEIT THE GAME – TWO POINTS BEING AWARDED TO THE OPPONENTS.**
8. **Forfeited Games.** Under club rules the team forfeiting a game is responsible for the cost of the rink unless a substitute game has been arranged. A forfeited card must be submitted to that effect and signed.
9. In the event of a team being one player short, the said team can play with the lead and No.2 each bowling 3 woods and conceding 33% (rounded-up) of their total score. The rink fee must be paid in full as if there were four players.
Alternatively the team with three players may opt to play with only two woods each until the fourth player arrives. The team of three will play as 1,3 and skip with the opposing No.2 bowling his woods consecutively. The fourth player may join the game at the start of the next end at any position. In these circumstances there will be no score penalty.
10. In the event of any dispute, the Competition Secretary responsible for the League, after due consideration will give a ruling. In exceptional circumstances, the problem may be referred to the Director responsible for playing whose decision will be final.
11. Two Score Cards clearly marked with the team name, names of players, date and rink number will be signed by both skips and placed in the box outside the committee room. Failure to submit a correctly completed Score Card may result in a game being declared **VOID.**

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