**TOOLKIT FOR A PENNANT SIDES CAPTAIN – 2020/21**

**Duties of a Pennant Sides Captain**

**BEFORE THE MATCH:**

* **Clubs.**
* Enter sides into the Bowlslink Competition Module prior to commencement of play.
* Prepare your sides score cards.
* **Home Side Captain.** Prepare Pennant Check Form and finalise once draw for rinks completed.
* **Side Captains.**
	1. Draw for rinks by shuffling prepared score cards and placing on table upside down on agreed rink number positions.
	2. Complete the filling in of the score cards – fill in opponent’s sides.
	3. Determine first to play by toss of coin.

**DURING THE MATCH:**

**Refreshment Break**. Conditions for taking a break:

* **Midweek and Weekend Pennant.**  No formal tea break will be taken, however, to assist Home Clubs a refreshment break will be allowed at a time determined by both Side Captains. ***if either Side Captain is of the opinion that play may be interrupted due to weather conditions no break is to be taken.***

**UPON COMPLETION OF THE MATCH:**

1. Collect your side's score cards, ensuring they are filled out completely and signed by the Seconds.
2. Check with opposing Side Captain to confirm that the cards agree. **(*If in error, consult with the seconds involved and sort it out prior to leaving the club)***
3. **Home Side Captain** completes the Pennant Check Form and ensures both Side Captains sign the Form. Home Side to retain the signed copy of the form in case of computer input error.
4. **Home Side.** Align Teams and enter results on the Region website NLT day of play
5. **Away Side. Check a**lignment of teams and Finalise results on the Region website NLT day of play.
6. **Scorecards.** Clubs are to ensure that the Scorecards have been signed and then retain them until the end of the Pennant season.

**ALLOCATION OF POINTS**

**Sides of 16**  10 points for a win or 5 points for a tied overall score **plus** 2 points for winning rink or 1 point each for tied rink **(Max points 18)**

**Sides of 12**  8 points for a win or 4 points for a tied overall score **plus** 2 points for winning rink or 1 point each for tied rink  **(Max points 14)**

**Bye** Bye Club sides to be entered on Bowlslink (if not possible then Pennant Check Form - for player qualification purposes - and a copy emailed to pennantoandmbowls@gmail.com)

**Penalties**

Penalties will apply for Clubs not complying with Pennant Administrative requirements.

**A Club will be penalised 2 points** for breaches listed in the O&M Pennant Rules for Competition.

**Rules for Inclement Weather**

**(Extract from Ovens and Murray Bowls Region Regulations)**

**Rule 12.** **Inclement Weather.** To ensure player safety and protection of Club assets the following conditions will be applied during inclement weather:

12.1 **Heat**

12.1.1 The Pennant Executive may cancel or move the start time for the round prior to the programmed start time, should **extreme** temperatures be anticipated.

12.1.2 **Weekend Pennant**

12.1.2.1 **After the commencement of play.** If the temperature reaches 38 degrees Celsius, play will be postponed until the temperature drops below 38 degrees Celsius. If the game is brought forward to a 10:00am start, by the Pennant Committee, play will be cancelled once the temperature reaches 38 degrees Celsius.

12.1.2.2 If, owing to inclement weather, a match has not commenced by 2.30pm it shall be abandoned

12.1.2.3 If a home and away match has been delayed or interrupted by inclement weather, and a result cannot be achieved before 6:00pm play shall cease.

12.1.2.4 In a delayed or interrupted game **any ends in progress at 6:00pm shall be completed.**

12.1.3 **Midweek Pennant.** Play will be cancelled once the temperature reaches 38 degrees Celsius.

* + 1. **Monitoring of Temperature.** The monitoring of the temperature shall be conducted independently on grass and synthetic/carpet Greens. (where two Greens at a Club, one synthetic/carpet and the other grass, are being used for Pennant on the same day then the temperature must be monitored independently for each Green).
			1. The monitoring of the temperature will be by the **‘Umpire of the day’** whose decision shall be final. ***The umpire is to allow both Club Side Managers to view the thermometer if requested.***
			2. Any team, side or individual who continues to play after a decision to abandon play, shall be liable to loss of points, disqualification and or fine.
			3. The measuring of the temperature to be made using a dry bulb thermometer housed in a Small Instrument Shelter specified by the Bureau of Meteorology, drawing MI-12-01 (copy available from the Region Secretary).
			4. **Placement on non-shade covered Greens.** The Instrument Shelter is to be placed with its door facing south and in an open position,***preferably on the Green***but clear of any buildings, shelters (, vegetation or any other item which may impede its operation.
			5. **Placement on shade covered Greens.**The Small Instrument Shelter should be placed with its door facing the south and under the shade cover but clear of any shadows cast by buildings, vegetation or any other item which may impede its operation.
		2. If a game is cancelled the following actions are to be completed;
			1. **Home side Captain** is to notify their opponents
			2. **Home Club –** complete results entry on the website
			3. **Away Club –** confirm results on the website**.**

12.2 **Rain**

12.2.1 In cases of adverse weather conditions due to rain, the Home Club Sides Captain, after consultation with the Greens committee or Club representative, shall make the decision as to the fitness of the Green for play, whether prior to commencement of play or due to interruption during play.

* + 1. If, owing to inclement weather, a match has not commenced within 1.5 hours from the planned start time it shall be abandoned.
		2. If a sectional match has been delayed or interrupted by inclement weather and has not been completed after 5 hours of the planned start time play shall cease, but any ends in progress at that time shall be completed.

12.2.4 In the event of the Home Green being unavailable due to wet weather the following actions are to be completed;

* + - 1. **Home Club**
				1. notify their opponents before 7.00am for Midweek Pennant and 11:00am for Weekend Pennant.
				2. For an alternative agreed start time, 2.5 hours before the agreed time
				3. enter the results on the website.
			2. **Away Club –** confirm results on the website.

12.3 **Cancelling or adjusting the start time of Pennant.** The Regions Pennant Committee may cancel the round prior to the programmed start time or adjust the programmed start time should extreme weather conditions be anticipated.

**Rule 13**. **Umpire.** The Club that is designated as the Home Club is to appoint an accredited Umpire to officiate.

25.2 If the Home Club does not have an accredited Umpire available then a visiting accredited Umpire may be appointed to officiate. Alternatively, if no accredited Umpire is available then an accredited Measurer may be appointed Umpire.

25.3 If no accredited Umpire or Measurer is available then a competent player from the Home Club should be appointed to act in this capacity.

25.4 An Umpires/Measurers decision is final and cannot be contested, disregarded or appealed except for matters relating to the meaning and interpretation of a Law.

**Please note:** If less than 50% of the matches in a Section are played the complete round shall be abandoned.