

Under-25 Singles Championship 2014

Organised by HKLBA - Subvented by LCSD

Conditions of Play

- 1. Tournament dates: Sunday 23rd (Day 1) & Sunday 30th (Day 2) November 2014.
- 2. Time: 9 a.m. 6 p.m. No official lunch break is scheduled. Players are advised to make their own arrangement between matches.
- 3. Tournament venue: Tai Po Waterfront Park Bowling Green, Dai Fat Street, Tai Po. (Telephone No.: 2667 5489) [大埔海濱公園近南華早報的入口]
- 4. All participants are required to report to the Duty Umpire in person 10 minutes before their first match as a Player or Marker on each day. All participants are required to be ready to play or mark at the allocated rink at the designated time for each match. No grace period will be allowed. Late-comers will be treated as a walk-over.
- 5. Players who are not wearing proper lawn bowls attire may not be allowed to play. It includes predominantly white or cream shorts, trousers or skirts, no jeans, collared or bowling club shirts and HKLBA-approved lawn bowls shoes or non-heeled fully flat-soled sports shoes. Any underlayer worn must be of the same dominant colour as the shirt or jersey.
- 6. 34 men players are drawn into 8 groups for Day 1 round-robin play. The top 2 ranked players of each group will proceed to Day 2 knock-out play.
- 7. 23 women players are drawn into 6 groups for Day 1 round-robin play. The top 2 ranked players of each group and 4 best thirds will proceed to Day 2 knock-out play.
- 8. On Day 1, all players are required to act as markers as indicated in the fixtures.
- 9. On Day 2, each first-named player of the 9.00 a.m. matches is required to provide a marker. Failure to do so will be treated as a walk-over. All losing players on the day are required to act as markers in the ensuing matches as decided by the duty umpire. A player may be required to mark for more than one match at the discretion of the duty umpire.
- 10. Any player who fails to act as a marker as indicated in the fixtures or as instructed by the duty umpire will result in disqualification.
- 11. All matches on Day 1 will be decided by 15 shots for a duration of 1 hour. All matches on Day 2 will be decided by 21 shots for a duration of 1 hour and 30 minutes. In the event of a tied match in knock-out play, an extra end will be played.

- 12. For round-robin play, 2 points will be awarded for each match won and 1 point for a tie. In the event of a walk-over, 2 points and 5 shots will be credited to the opponent.
- 13. On the second occasion of a player giving a walk-over on Day 1, the player will be disqualified and all results relating to that player will be expunged.
- 14. At the completion of the round-robin, players will be ranked within each group in the order of:-
 - · Higher number of points scored;
 - Higher number of net shots;
 - Higher number of shots for;
 - Winner of the match between the players concerned;
 - Toss of coin.

For the purpose of determining the best thirds among the women groups, 2 points and the average number of "shots for" in the group will be credited to each player of any 3-player group.

- 15. No trial ends.
- 16. No visit to the head until after the delivery of a player's third bowl.
- 17. No dead ends. The jack will be re-spotted on the centre line with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line at a spot which is 2 metres from the front ditch, commonly known as "the T". Players and markers are required to agree to and mark the spot prior to the commencement of each match.
- 18. The Bowler Rankings points to be awarded for qualification for Hong Kong China Under-25 Squad selection are as follows:-
 - Champion -- 16 points
 - First runners-up -- 8 points
 - Second and third runners-ups -- 4 points
 - Finished in the top 8 but not in top 4 -- 2 points
 - Finished in the top 16 but not in top 8 -- 1 point

Points are non-accumulative. No Bowler Rankings points will be awarded to any disqualified player.

- 19. Players are reminded to observe the Tai Po Waterfront Park Bowling Green regulations at all times.
- 20. In any event, the decision of the duty umpire is final.
- 21. In the case of green close on either of the tournament dates, all remaining fixtures will be put back one week. The contingency tournament date is Sunday, 7th December 2014.
- 22. For enquiries, please telephone 2504 8249 from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. between Monday and Friday.