

The following lists the changes from season 2022/2023 (2023/24 numbers)

Section 1

Rule 1.8 Additional sentence clarifying “constitution” of a player (based on scorecard).

Section 2

2.4 / 4.5 Sides will all have a ranking numeral added to their name to indicate their ranking within the club (and their relative capability where the club has two or more sides within a Division).

2.5.5 Match & Program committee has discretion in the placement of a Combined side into a Division.

Section 3

3.2.3 Side managers will identify bowlers playing with a permit and those bowlers should have supporting documentation available, if requested.

3.3 Opposite Gender Player eligibility for Rounds 1-3 can be base on recent games from the preceding season.

3.3.2 Opposite Gender Player eligibility based on Saturday Division(s) played has been amended (now Division 6 level or below unless Division 5 is lowest ranked side).

3.4.1 Temporary players need Umpire approval.

3.4.3 A reference to Bowls SA player registration rules for unregistered players.

3.5 Clarification of playing positions to be used for incomplete teams.

3.8.2 Re-wording of player eligibility (Rounds 15 to 18) for improved clarity.

3.9.2.1 Re-wording of player eligibility (Finals series) for clarity, & amendments – [OG Player clause removed; one game played stipulation added; selection into consecutive sides in pairs of sides only;].

3.9.4 Player position restriction for permit players (Finals series) removed.

3.10 Saturday Premier League player management rules re added (games played at different times to other Divisions).

Section 4

4.2.1 Saturday Premier League now play 21 ends for scheduled games.

4.2.2 Saturday Premier League play towards 21 ends for “early start” games.

Section 5

5.1 Most game start times altered (15 minutes earlier).

5.3 Most practice start times altered (15 minutes later).

5.3.4 Organised pre-game practice restricted to rink of play.

5.4 No pre-game trial ends (roll-up). Games started by bell or p/a announcement.

5.6 Emphasis on “play without delay”.

5.7 Most mid-game break times altered. No mid-game break for Thursday Premier League.

5.9/ 5.10 Moved from Section 10 last season.

5.10.1 Saturday Premier League – completing unstarted/unfinished games take precedence over scheduled Friday night games

5.10.2 No “replays” for Thursday competition.

Section 6

6.2.1 Cards will be drawn by 30 minutes before game start times.

Section 7

7.6.8 Clarification regarding managing player changes in BowlsLink e.g., a substitute is introduced (retain original player name).

Section 12

12.2 / 12.3 Losing Grand Final sides who were Minor Premiers have promotion priority in certain circumstances.

Section 15

15.9 Side coach must be identified prior to the start of a game.

15.15 Procedures for a carer supporting a bowler.