

METROPOLITAN BOWLS CONDITIONS OF PLAY - PENNANT MATCH DAY TIMES AND PROCEDURES SUMMARY

Match Day Times

	Cards Completed (Rule 6.2.1.1)	Practice Starts ^{1,2} (Rule 5.3.4)	Match Start Times ³ (Rule 5.1)	Mid-Game Break Starts ⁴ (Rule 5.7)	Latest Finish Time Rule (5.8)
Wednesdays	11:45am	11:45am	12:15pm	1:45pm	4:45pm
Thursdays	9:30am	9:30am	10:00am	After 11 ends	2:30pm
Saturdays	12:30pm	12:30pm	1:00pm	2:30pm	5:30pm
Early Start ¹	8:45am	8:45am	9:15am	No break	1:45pm
Friday Catch Up	5:30pm	5:30pm	6:00pm	No break	10:30pm

- Notes:
- 1 Practice earlier than these times is at the discretion of the home club's greenkeeper.
 - 2 Once the draw for rinks is been completed, players must practice on the rink they are drawn to play on and must cease 5 minutes before the start of play.
 - 3 A team short of a player at the Match Start time, may delay the start by up to 15 minutes.
 - 4 Breaks should be limited to 15 minutes (or less) after the last team leaves the green.

Ends to Be Played (Rule 4.2)

	Pairs	Triples	Fours ¹	Total Ends To Complete Match ²
Wednesdays (Div 1-3)	18 / 15	25 / 21	21 / 18	74 / 62 total ends
Wednesdays (Div 4)			21 / 18	42 / 36 total ends
Thursdays (Div 1-3)			21 / 18	42 / 36 total ends
Saturdays (Div 1-5)			21 / 18	56 / 48 total ends
Saturdays (Div 6-7)			21 / 18	42 / 36 total ends

- Notes:
- 1 If a round has been determined as an "early start", then the number of ends to be played are reduced as indicated by the second number above.
 - 2 Saturday Divisions 4 and below, all Wednesday & Thursday Divisions not started or completed will be treated as a draw (Rule 5.10.2), with game points shared equally and 2 shots awarded to each team. All other Divisions, matches not started or finalised will be replayed on the follow Friday night (Rule 5.10.1).

Player Positions (Rule 5.5)

No changes to player positions shall be permitted once the draw for rinks has been made (see Rule 5.5 for exceptions). Any club failing to adhere to this rule will forfeit the game to the opposing side (Rule 5.5).

Hot Weather (Rule 9)

	F'cast 1 on	Temp F'cast	Result	Temp F'cast	Result ²	F'cast 2 on	Temp F'cast	Match Starts ²	Temp F'cast	Result
Wednesdays Divs 1-4	Mon at 4:30pm	Below 36 ° C	Go to F'cast 2	36 ° C or above	Early Start 9:15am	Wed at 7:30am	Below 38 ° C	Normal time	38 ° C or above	Cancel match
Thursdays Divs 3-4	Tues at 4:30pm	Below 36 ° C	Go to F'cast 2	36 ° C or above	Early Start 9:15am	Thurs at 7:30am	Below 36 ° C	Normal time	Above 36 ° C	Cancel match
Saturdays Divs 1-3	Thurs at 4:30pm	Below 36 ° C	Go to F'cast 2	36 ° C or above	Early Start 9:15am	Sat at 7:30am	Below 38 ° C	Normal time	Above 38 ° C	Friday match
Saturdays Divs 4-7	Thurs at 4:30pm	Below 36 ° C	Go to F'cast 2	36 ° C or above	Early Start 9:15am	Sat at 7:30am	Below 38 ° C	Normal time	Above 38 ° C	Cancel match

- Notes:
- 1 Temperature forecasts prior to the match starting are to be made from the BOM Website for Adelaide <http://www.bom.gov.au/sa/forecasts/adelaide.shtml>.
 - 2 Matches played at either early or normal start times, where extreme heat is predicted must monitor the temperature as per below.

Temperature Readings After Match Starts ¹				Lightening
	Wed Divs 1-4	Thurs Divs 3-4 ²	Sat Divs 4-7 ²	When lightening is sighted by the Umpire, play will be suspended. Play will not resume until at least 15 minutes after the last sighting of lightening (Rule 8.4).
Temps During Match	Monitor Temps	Monitor Temps	Monitor Temps	
Actual Temps	Above 38° C	Above 36° C	Above 38° C	
Decisions	Match Cancelled	Match Cancelled ²	Match Cancelled ²	

- Notes:
- 1 Temperature readings after the match starts are to be made from the BOM Website for Adelaide Airport <http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDS60701/IDS60701.94672.shtml> shortly after the hour and half hour **only** (eg 10:00am, 10:30am, 11:00am etc), and not between these times. Temperatures are posted on the BOM website approximately 10 minutes after the hour and half hour.
 - 2 Thursday Divs 1-2 and Saturday Divs 1-3 have their matches rescheduled. See Rule 10.2 for details.

Wet Weather (Rule 8)

Play must be suspended if rain at the venue interferes with player safety & well-being, or greens are unplayable or are liable to be damaged:

- The umpire may suspended play for a maximum of 1 hour (each occurrence) because of poor weather. If the match does not recommence after 1 hour, play will be abandoned and scored as a draw.