

# MBA CONDITIONS OF PLAY - PENNANT MATCH DAY TIMES AND PROCEDURES SUMMARY 2024-25

## Match Day Times

	Greens Available <sup>1,2</sup> (Rule 5.3.1.1)	Cards Completed (Rule 6.2.1.1)	Trial Ends Starts (Rule 5.1)	Match Start Times <sup>3</sup> (Rule 5.1)	Mid-Game Break Starts <sup>4</sup> (Rule 5.7)	Latest Finish Time Rule (5.8)
<b>Saturdays</b>	12:00pm	12:30pm	12:45pm	1:00pm	2:30pm	5:30pm
<b>Wednesdays</b>	11:15am	11:45am	12:00pm	12:15pm	1:45pm	4:45pm
<b>Thursdays</b>	9:00am	9:30am	9:45am	10:00am	After 11 Ends	2:30pm
<b>Friday Catch Up</b>	5:00pm	5:30pm	5:45pm	6:00pm	No break	10:30pm
<b>Early Start <sup>1</sup></b>	May Not Be Open	8:45am	9:00am	9:15am	By Negotiation	1:45pm

- Notes:
- 1 Practice earlier than these times is at the discretion of the home club's greenkeeper (Rule 5.3.1.2).
  - 2 Once the draw for rinks has been completed, Side Managers should notify players, practice must cease and trial ends commence (Rule 5.3.2).
  - 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.

## Teams & Ends to Be Played (Rule 4.2)

Rules 4.2 & 4.3	Gender	Teams / Players	Pairs	Triples	Fours <sup>1</sup>	Total Ends to Complete Match <sup>2</sup>
<b>Saturdays (Div 1-5)</b>	Open	4 / 4			21 / 18	74 / 62 total ends
<b>Saturdays (Div 6-7)</b>	Open	3 / 4			21 / 18	42 / 36 total ends
<b>Wednesday (Div 1-3)</b>	Men	5 / 2,3,4	18 / 15	27 / 23	21 / 18	42 / 36 total ends
<b>Wednesday (Div 4)</b>	Men	3 / 4			21 / 18	56 / 48 total ends
<b>Thursdays (Div 1-3)</b>	Women	3 / 4			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 blue number above.
  - 2 Saturday Divisions 4 and below, all Wednesday & Thursday Divisions not started or completed will be treated as a draw (Rule 5.10.1), 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 or on a day and time determined by Match & Program Committee (Rule 5.10.2).

## 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 <sup>2</sup>	F'cast 2 on	Temp F'cast	Match Starts <sup>2</sup>	Temp F'cast	Result
<b>Saturday Divs 1-3</b>	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	38° C or above	Friday Games
<b>Saturdays Divs 4-7</b>	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	38° C or above	Cancel Games
<b>Wednesday (All Divs)</b>	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 Games
<b>Thursdays</b>	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	38° C or above	Cancel Games

- 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 <sup>1</sup>			
	Sat (Divs 1-3)	Sat (Divs 4-7)	Wed (All Divs)	Thurs (All Divs)
<b>Actual Temps</b>	38° C or above	38° C or above	38° C or above	36° C or above
<b>If Minimum Number of End Completed</b>	Game Finalised	Game Finalised	Game Finalised	Game Finalised
<b>If Minimum Number of Ends NOT Completed</b>	Game Resumed on Friday	Game Drawn	Game Drawn	Game Drawn

- 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 When lightning is sighted, all players should leave the green immediately to a safe structure.

## 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 suspend 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 if the minimum number of ends have not been completed.