

# LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, CHINA

## National Indoor Pairs Competition 2023

Updated on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

### Arrangement of Match Date and Time

Players are required to mutually agree on the date and time of a match with their opponents and submit the same to the LBA by the deadline stated below. **Club Convenors are provided with a telephone list for contact purpose of this competition only. Forwarding of this telephone list is not allowed.** The LBA may appoint the match date and time randomly if no submission is received. Failure to complete a match before the completion deadline will result in disqualifications.

Stage	Match Date & Time Submission Deadline	Completion Deadline
Round 1	14th August, 2023	30th August, 2023
Round 2	11th September, 2023	27th September, 2023
Round 3	9th October, 2023	25th October, 2023
Round 4	13th November, 2023	29th November, 2023
Men's Round 5 and Women's Quarter-finals	11th December, 2023	27th December, 2023
Men's Quarter-finals	1st January, 2024	15th January, 2024
Semi-finals & Finals	N/A	4th February 2024

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### Conditions of Play

1. 3 bowls by the Lead, followed by 3 bowls by the Skip.
2. Single knock-out.
3. Sets play. Best of two sets of 9 ends. If the match is tied (two drawn sets or one set each), a tie-break consisting of 3 ends will be played. If at the completion of the third end of the tie-break the scores are equal, a fourth end will be played, and so on and so forth.
4. For the first set of each match, winner of the toss of a coin has the option to be the first to play. For second set, winner of the first set or, if a tie, winner of the last scoring end of the first set will be the first to play. Winner of the toss of a coin has the option to be the first to play for first end of tie-break, the fourth end and any further extra ends.
5. No visit to the head by the Lead until after the delivery of his/her third bowl. No visit to the head by the Skip until after the delivery of his/her second bowl.
6. No dead ends. A jack in motion which goes out of bound or has otherwise become dead 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 advised to agree to and identify the spot prior to the commencement of each match.
7. All matches have to start on time as mutually agreed.
8. LBA has to be notified in writing of any substitution in advance.
9. Winners of a match must report the results by 12.00 noon of the following day by e-mail to [competition@hklba.org](mailto:competition@hklba.org) or by facsimile on 2577 5621 to LBA, stating the competition, match reference number and the scores. The duly signed scorecard must be kept by the winners in case of disputes.

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