LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, CHINA

National Indoor Pairs Competition 2025-2026

Revised on 27th May, 2025

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. <u>Club</u> <u>Convenors are provided with a telephone list for contact purposes of this</u> <u>competition only. Forwarding of this telephone list is not allowed.</u> 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 disqualification.

Stage	Match Date & Time Submission Deadline	Completion Deadline
Round 1	23 June, 2025	7 July, 2025
Round 2	28 July, 2025	11 August, 2025
Round 3	1 September, 2025	15 September, 2025
Round 4	6 October, 2025	20 October, 2025
Round 5	10 November, 2025	24 November, 2025
Quarter-finals	8 December, 2025	22 December, 2025
Semi-finals & Finals	N/A	3 January, 2026

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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 7 ends. If the match is tied (two drawn sets or one set each), a tie-break consisting of 1 end will be played. If at the completion of the end of the tie-break the scores are equal, another end will be played, and so on.
- 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 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 <u>competition@bowls.org.hk</u> 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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