

2026 LLB Valencian Championships

Conditions of Play

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1. General

1.1 Laws of the Sport of bowls

All matches shall be played in line with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark 4th Edition (Green Cover). A Copy of which can be found at <http://costablancaumpire.wixsite.com/cbuma>

The principles of the 2026 LLB Rules may also be used to determine issues not specifically covered under these Conditions of Play.

1.2 Any player who is suspended from their club will forfeit any championship they are competing in, where possible the last beaten opponent or team will be re-instated.

2. Eligibility & Entries

2.1 All teams shall consist of players that at the time of entry are current registered bowlers and financial members of “The same LLB Club”.

2.2 Any player changing clubs during the championships will remain eligible to compete with their original team providing they remain registered & financial at their new club.

2.3 Men’s Singles, Pairs, Triples & Rinks open to all male members of the LLB.

2.4 Ladies Singles, Pairs, Triples & Rinks open to all female members of the LLB.

2.5 Mixed Pairs, Triples & Fours open to all male and female members of the LLB. All Mixed events must include at least 1 player of each sex.

2.6 All nominations must include a contact number / email which will be published in the program. These details will be used for competitors to contact each other to organise all early rounds.

3. Match Regulations

3.1 Duration of Matches

3.1.1 Singles 21 Up (4 Bowls per player)

3.1.2 Pairs 18 Ends (4 Bowls per player)

3.1.3 Triples 18 Ends (3 Bowls per player)

3.1.4 Rinks 18 Ends (2 Bowls per player)

3.2 Practice

3.2.1 No practice permitted before commencement of play.

3.2.2 2 Trial Ends (1 in each direction) are allowed before every game.

3.3 Dead Ends

3.3.1 In all championships dead ends are to be replayed.

4. Competition Format

4.1.1 The Team to score the most shots will be the winners.

4.1.2 If the teams are tied on shots, then an extra end is to be played in line with Law 28.

4.1.3 If at any time it becomes impossible for a team to win then the match is to be declared complete and no more ends are required to be played.

5. Administrative.

5.1 Submission of Results

5.1.1 All results are to be e-mailed / WhatsApp to the co-ordinator within 24 hours of the completion of the match: llbknockouts@hotmail.com or **711020846**
A digital picture of the signed scorecards will suffice.

5.1.2 All completed signed scorecards including the full names (including Christian names) of all players/substitutes/replacements and the date and time of completion are to be kept by the winning Skip or Singles player. These may be asked for at a later date by the tournament coordinator.

5.1.3 A signed scorecard acknowledges the result and therefore cannot be disputed.

5.2 Prizes

5.2.1 Prizes will be awarded at the finals weekend in September.

5.3 Entry Fees

All championships €6 per person.

5.4 Green Fees

If required, 2€ Green fees will be paid by all players equalling €4 for the home club.

Who pays for after match drinks is the decision of the players, however, the fairest protocol is the LOSERS buy the FIRST ones. The marker should be bought a drink in all games.

5.5 Attire

5.5.1 All early rounds of championships require either approved Club uniform or white below the waist and approved Club uniform or White above the waist. All team members to be similarly attired.

5.5.2 All semis and finals require approved Club uniform.

5.6 Umpires and Markers

5.6.1 An Umpire will be appointed for all semi-finals and finals.

5.6.2 The first named player in the draw must arrange a competent marker for their game.

5.6.3 Markers must wear White or CBUMA green shirt.

5.7 Drawing for Rinks.

Skips or opponents in singles can agree the rink of play or agree which rinks go into the draw. If they cannot agree then ALL available rinks must go into the draw. See Note 6.1.4 below

5.8 Forfeit

All forfeits must be notified to the tournament coordinator
llbknockouts@hotmail.com or 711020846

6. Dates of Play

6.1 Dates of Play

- 6.1.1** All play by dates and times published are final and can only be reviewed by the tournament coordinator.
- 6.1.2** All Semis & Finals will be scheduled for the final's week 25th September – 1st October, venue TBC (If successful in more than 3 disciplines finalists will be required to play 2 games per day)
- 6.1.3** The first player / team named in the draw is to be the challenger and must contact their opponents at least 14 days prior to the final play date of that round.
- 6.1.4** The challenger must offer their opponent at least 3 dates when they would like to play the game, one of these dates must be at the weekend and the dates cannot be 3 consecutive days or all be in 1 week. The week runs Monday – Sunday. Note if known the challenger must inform their opponent if all rinks are not going to be available on any of the dates given.
- 6.1.5** If the challenged player / team cannot accept any of these dates then the challenger must contact the tournament coordinator immediately to resolve the problem.
- 6.1.6** If the challenger fails to make contact 14 days prior to the closing date for that round then the second named player / team must inform the tournament coordinator. The tournament coordinator will decide on all forfeits.
- 6.1.7** All attempts have been made to avoid conflicts with LLB, Provincial, National & International games however with such a large calendar and new events appearing throughout the year a clash may occur. if a clash does happen then another game may take precedence, please contact the tournament coordinator to attempt a resolution.
- 6.1.8** Some of the championship finals may result with two games being scheduled on a certain day, all competitors are required to play both games that day, no exceptions.
- 6.1.9** Substitutions are allowed in conjunction with Laws 32 & 33.
- 6.1.10** Replacement players may be allowed but only with prior authorisation from the tournament coordinator

7. Finals Schedule

7.1 Schedule

7.1.1 Double header games may be scheduled. Where two games are required on a given day, the first game will commence at 9.30 a.m. The second game to commence no later than 2.30 p.m.

7.1.2 In the event of the first game being delayed due to inclement weather, the tournament coordinator / umpire will decide by 11.00 a.m. if play may still be possible that day.

7.1.3 If only one game is required to be played on a given day, the game is to commence no later than 2.30 p.m. Unless approved prior by the tournament coordinator.

8. Weather

8.1 Weather

8.2 Any match cancelled due to inclement weather is to be re-scheduled A.S.A.P. before or on the final date of that round.

8.3 When a match being played on the final date of the round is cancelled or suspended due to inclement weather then the tournament coordinator will make any necessary decision/s to complete the round.

8.4 An unplayable green can only be decided by the following people, in this order:

8.4.1 The Umpire at the venue.

8.4.2 Tournament Coordinator if not playing and present at the venue.

8.4.3 Club President of the host club if not playing and present at the venue.

8.4.4 Committee Member of the host club if not playing and present at the venue.

8.4.5 Club Owners present at the venue.

8.4.6 Bar supervisor on duty.

9. Disputes

9.1 Disputes

All disputes are to be made known to the tournament coordinator within 24 hours of the completion of the game. If necessary, the dispute may be elevated to the LLB Committee, whose decision will be Final

Other than Disputes detailed above in section 9.
The tournament coordinators decision will be final.