

SOUTH EAST SHORT MAT BOWLS LEAGUE REGULATIONS

1. The League will consist of as many divisions as are required. Division names will be chosen as required.
2. The fixtures' secretary will keep a record of players' names. No player may play in more than one team.
3. All matches will be played using the extra heavy (32 ounce) jack.
4. The Winter Triples and Spring Fours will be played over 12 ends with two woods per player. The Summer Pairs will be played over 15 ends with three bowls per player.
5. Winter Triples and Summer Pairs matches will be played on a home and away basis on the home team's match night, but at the discretion of the club secretary to take account of mat availability unless otherwise advised by the fixtures' secretary.
6. Spring Fours matches will be played at a neutral venue.
7. Matches will start with two trial ends. There will be no home team practice on any mat on match night.
8. Matches will start between 7:30pm and 8:00pm as agreed by both teams. A forfeit of points will occur for failure to start by ten minutes after the agreed time (unavoidable delay excepted).
9. Where matches are rearranged, it is the responsibility of the club initiating the change to notify the fixtures' secretary of the revised date. Where a match is forfeited, the non-offending club will be awarded the points for a win and credited with ten shots and eight ends won.
10. Both teams must send their scorecards asap to the fixtures' secretary by photo on phone/email or by post.
11. The scoring system will be three points for a win and one point for a draw with shot difference to decide league places if points totals are equal. After this, it will be ends won, then shots for will be counted and finally shots against. If no winner can be determined, a tie-break match will be played at a neutral venue.
12. Club teams may dress in their own club shirts with grey or black trousers/skirts/shorts. Each team must be dressed in the same colour below the waist. Shoes must be flat soled with no ridging, tread or heel.
13. Mat fees will be on the registration form for each competition and includes a drink and biscuits. Fees to be paid before the start of the match. Fees to be reviewed annually.
14. Jack off the mat once incurs no penalty but on the second and subsequent occasions, two shots away will be awarded to the opposing team. Non-penalty ends will be replayed from the same direction and will not count as an end played.
15. If a dead-end occurs where two opposing bowls are touching the jack, there will be no score but the end will be counted.