

RULES OF PLAY FOR STANDARD GAME

- 1a The game is played with a golf putter, golf balls and a lawn bowls jack
- 1b The game is played on a lawn bowls green
- 1c The game is played with different coloured golf balls for each individual or team, four balls in total for each team or individual in singles, pairs or fours, three balls for each team in triples. There is also an option for the use of an extra ball for each team which can be used once only during a match. (See Rules of Play 5a)
- 2a Scoring is similar to lawn bowls, all balls closer to the jack than the opposition's closest ball scores one point
- 2b When playing in pairs events opposition teams lead players will play their two balls first then the skip players will play their two balls
- 2c In the event of a ball hitting the jack and at the completion of the end being closer than the opposition's closest ball that team will score two points for that shot. This is also the case with any other balls that hit the jack through a collision from any other ball
- 2d A ball that hits the jack more than once through a collision from another ball will only be scored as a maximum of one extra point for hitting the jack
- 2e Once one end has been played and points tallied the next end commences in the opposite direction
- 3a The game starts with the setting of the jack, the opposition then putt's first, losing team thereafter at each setting the jack
- 3b In the event of the jack finding the gutter, the opposition will then set the target
- 3c In the event of the opposition finding the gutter the jack will be positioned to the closest parallel line to the gutter, in the centre of marked lines
- 3d Players can hit putts only from the distance that the jack was set from and only from in between the nearest marked side lines
- 3e A player that sets the jack and therefore the position from where all putts will be hit from can do so from any point up unto the end of the marked sidelines
- 3f There is no minimum distance that the jack needs to be set from the putting position
- 4a The game is not set on tradition points scoring so can be flexible each game. For example the winning score may be first two five points, seven points, eleven points etc.
- 4b A game's scoring system can be decided by a pre-determined number of ends
- 5a There is an option for the use of an extra ball in all forms of play that can be used once only during a match. The extra ball, a different colour from all other balls, known as the Power Ball is issued to each team or individual and can be used at any time during the match and is worth two points if it finishes closer than the opposition's nearest ball.
- 5b If a Power Ball finishes closer than the opposition's nearest ball as well as having touched the jack, that putt is worth three points
- 6a Any ball, (other than the jack) that finishes in a gutter is deemed to have gone out of bounds, whether it has been hit by another ball or not
- 6b If the jack is struck by a ball and rolls into the gutter it is deemed to be still in play, any ball that has struck the jack and stays in the field of play and is closer than the opposition's closest ball scores points
- 7a In the event of night time play a laser line may be used to indicate the centre of playing area for each match
- 7b If a laser line is used in night time play the jack is placed directly on the line with players having the option of playing from on the line or anywhere laterally to the nearest marked sidelines
- 8a Players may use technology products for assistance in aiming or distance control such as gyroscopic, radar, ultrasound, laser rangefinders or other laser devices, mobile phone apps and camera based devices
- 8b Players may use putters that attach to the body that would otherwise be banned under the rules of golf