

RULES OF PLAY FOR POISON

- 1a The game is played with a golf putter and golf balls
- 1b The game is played on a lawn bowls green
- 1c The game can be played by up to 10 players in one lane, each player must have a ball of a different colour or markings so as to be able to identify from each other
- 1d Participants play in a particular order, drawn by lot and recorded, player who goes first in round one will go last in round two if they are not eliminated
- 2d Once one end has been played the next end commences in the opposite direction
- 2e The first player to start each end can choose the position to putt from, each subsequent player must play from that same length but can move laterally to either side of the marked lane
- 2f The first player determines where to play from and rolls out the jack by hand to any length, the jack is then centred in the playing lane
- 2g The player whose ball finishes the furthest from the jack is deemed to be POISON and is eliminated from each end
- 3a If a players ball finishes outside the marked line or boundary of a putting lane or in the gutter they are deemed to be POISON, and are eliminated, this includes being struck by another competitors ball and going out of the designated area. More than one person can be eliminated by having their ball go outside the defined playing area.
- 3b A player is deemed to be POISON and eliminated if their ball has not gone at least halfway of the distance to the jack
- 3c All players must play a putt into the designated playing area and have their ball remain in bounds in order to continue to the next end
- 4a Any player that has their ball hit the jack by any means and remain the closest ball to the jack at the end of the round is entitled to a POISON DISPENSE OPPORTUNITY*
- 4b A POISON DISPENSE OPPORTUNITY offers the player whose ball has struck the jack and finished closest to the jack, to hit a putt from that position at the ball of the player whose ball has finished furthest from the jack but still in the field of play. All other balls are lifted with the exception of the jack. If the POISON DISPENSE player hits the opponent's ball with their ball, that player is eliminated.
- 4c If the POISON DISPENSE player's ball goes out of the field of play while attempting to knock a fellow competitor out, there is no penalty. If the POISON DISPENSE attempt misses, both players remain in the game.
- 5a The winner of the game is the last man standing.