

# RACAL DECCA MIXED LEAGUE

## Constitution and Rules

1. The League shall consist of a maximum of 14 teams.
2. League matches shall consist of each club playing three triples of 18 ends once a season, reversing venue the following year.
3. As this is a mixed League, each triple should always consist of at least one of each gender.
- 4) If a team cannot fulfil a fixture due to player shortage, the match may go ahead with two triples (provided Rule 3 is observed). In this instance the team not in default shall be awarded 2 points and 10 shots on the un-played rink.
5. If a team cannot start the arranged match within 30 minutes of the scheduled time the team not in default shall be awarded a win and 20 shots and 10 points. The League Secretary must be notified of this immediately. Should this occur more than once in a season, the offending Club will be invited to explain the position. This could result in expulsion from the League.
6. Scoring:
  - 4 Points for an overall aggregate win.
  - 2 Points for an overall aggregate draw.
  - 2 Points for each winning rink.
  - 1 Point for each drawn rink.
7. Result of all matches, must be recorded on the League Result Sheet provided and sent by the Home Club to the League Secretary either by post or electronically immediately after the match. It is the home team's responsibility to submit that Result Sheet within 7 days. Failure to do so could mean all points being awarded to the away team. The result sheet should be retained by the Home Club if sent electronically. Scorecards should be retained by both Clubs in case they are needed for checking.
8. Abandonment. A match may be abandoned with the agreement of both Captains. In the event of a match being abandoned, the result will count if a minimum of 13 ends have been played on all rinks. The score will be taken at 13 ends on each rink and this will form the result. The clubs may mutually agree to re-arrange the fixture if 13 ends have not been reached. If this should not be possible, points shall be shared equally. The League Secretary must be informed of this as soon as possible.
9. Cancellation. The home Club shall be responsible for declaring the green unfit for play. If a match is cancelled for this reason, it may be re-arranged by mutual agreement. If this is not possible, the points shall be shared equally. The League Secretary must be informed of this as soon as possible.
10. The Club with the highest points shall be declared the League winner and awarded the Racal Decca Mixed League Shield for one year. In the event of teams having equal points, the club with the highest number of shots difference shall be declared the winner. If any other situation arises the Shield shall be held equally.
11. League tables will be circulated after 15, 30, 45, 60 and all results received by the League Secretary.
12. All matches shall be played in accordance with Bowls England rules.
13. A player may only play for one club in the League matches in one season.
14. Any matters not covered by these Rules shall be decided by the League Secretary whose decision shall be final.
15. A Fixture Card should be sent to the League Secretary either by post or electronically before the start of the Season. Alternatively, the League Secretary should be advised that the fixtures are available on a Club's website.
16. An annual cash subscription shall be paid by each club at the AGM and receipts issued. This is to cover the running costs of the League. The Secretary will present a balance sheet to the AGM.
17. An AGM shall be held on the second Sunday in October, when possible, to discuss any business and review rules. Any changes will take effect immediately.