

The **LEICESTERSHIRE** **INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION (LIBA)**

Celebrating 44 years 1979 - 2023

Affiliated to English IBA ~ Midland Counties IBA ~ Midland Seniors IBL

BRADLEY TROPHY INTER CLUB LEAGUE RULES

1. The Inter-club league known as the "Inter-League" shall be organised by the Leicestershire Indoor Bowling Association League Secretary.
2. All games shall be played under the WIBC – EIBA (version) rules for the indoor games except if amended hereafter.
3. The league shall consist of one division.
4. Each team shall consist of 6 rinks, 3 players per rink (Triples).
5. The Inter League is classed as a County Competition and therefore players can only represent the affiliated club from which they have entered their National Competitions. If however an individual player plays their National Competitions outside the County they are permitted to represent one affiliated club only.
6. Club fixture Secretaries are responsible for agreeing dates.
7. Play arrangements:
 - a) All games will be played on a Saturday morning with a 9.30 start time unless both teams agree otherwise.
 - b) Duration of game shall be 3 hours 30 minutes **not including trial ends** and NO jack shall be cast after 3 hours 30.
 - c) Two trial ends (2 woods) will be played after which the game (3 wood triples) will start and be played over 18 ends (or those ends played within the time limit up to 18 at (b)).
 - d) Each player will bowl 3 woods in turn.
 - e) Number twos will play up.
 - f) SPOTS will be used for all games.
 - g) All timings shall be agreed by the two Captains (and Umpire if in attendance) who will also supervise the spinning of a coin for choice of jack prior to the match commencing.
 - h) The club playing away in any fixture cannot postpone the match unless the fixture cannot be completed due to dire circumstances on the day (e.g. impossible and dangerous travelling conditions).
 - i) The club playing at home can postpone a match if agreed with the County League Secretary and only if the facilities are not available providing, they give at least 7 days' notice and a new date can be agreed before the fixture is due to be played. **All changes to the original fixture list must be completed by 30th November.**
 - j) Fixtures cannot be postponed because there is either a Liberty Trophy or Denny Cup match on the same day as the Executive have already indicated that these dates should not be used for Inter-League matches.
 - k) If, due to unforeseen circumstances, the match may be delayed for a period not exceeding 15 minutes from the agreed start time with the agreement of both Captains and Umpire. Revised times at (a) and (b) shall then apply.
 - l) Points allocation, Team win 10 points, Team draw 5 points each. Each rink win 2 points, draw 1 point each. Total 22 points per match.
 - m) Any team turning up with less than 18 players (but more than 15) will play 5 rinks of 3 players forfeit 2 points for the rink and a further 10 shots.
 - n) Any team turning up with less than 18 players will be required to pay any loss in revenue to the club.
 - o) **The Home captain shall contact the County League Secretary with the match result details by phone, text or email within 24 hours of the match concluding, failing to do so may result in a 2-point deduction from the home team.**
 - p) The Home team shall where possible ensure that an Umpire is available from the Umpires Association for each match. In the event of no umpire being present a mutually agreed competent person must be available to assist with any disputed points.
 - q) Both captains shall ensure that their teams are present and woods available for inspection at least 15 minutes before the agreed start time.
 - r) The League Secretary will issue the final program in good time for inclusion in Club Handbooks on Club websites and the County website. These dates may be varied by mutual agreement providing the League Secretary has been informed and agrees.
 - s) **Dress – Club coloured shirt or White shirt (club tie optional), GREY Trousers, Bowls footwear. Club Stickers.**
8. Fees shall be fixed by the Executive Committee and all clubs informed.

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