

## PLAYING RULES

1. SEALE AND SANDS BOWLING CLUB IS A NON-SMOKING CLUB.
2. All matches to be played under E.B.A. rules (copy available in the Club House) except where the following rules vary them.
3. Drinking is not permitted on the Green.
4. Bowling mats must be used at all times. The Green Keeper, or in his absence, any Committee Member, may rule the green unfit to play under adverse weather conditions. In extremely wet conditions the Green Keeper may rule that protective netting may be used on the green and will place a notice in the Club House or on the equipment shed to that effect.
5. Club members must wear flat soled shoes at all times on the green, white tops and grey trousers / skirts are required for all friendlies, leagues and competitions. Mufti is permitted for roll ups and when stipulated by the committee. The wearing of open toed sandals is banned for all bowling. Visiting clubs may choose to wear their Club Colours.
6. Organisation of Club Competitions is the responsibility of the Competitions Secretary and their decision is final in all matters pertaining to the competitions.
7. The first named in any competition is the challenger and shall provide a marker. The challenger shall, within three days of the commencement of a round, offer three dates and times to his/her opponent for playing the match. If the challenger fails to do this within the specified time his/ her rights as a challenger pass to the opponent. In the best spirit of friendly competition mutual agreement on a suitable date should be sought. Either player is allowed thirty minutes latitude to the time, after which the match is forfeited.
8. All matches must be played by the stipulated round closing dates. If any competition entrant cannot play a round by the due date they forfeit the match and their opponent will receive a walk-over into the next round. No competitor can reach a final on a walk-over and no competition can be won on a walk-over.
9. Variations to this rule will only be permitted in very exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Competitions Secretary whose decision is final.
10. In the case of the club pairs competition , a substitute with the same handicap may be allowed , at the Competitions Secretary sole discretion, up to the semi- final stage only.
11. Handicaps are assessed annually by a sub committee consisting of the Club Captain and the Ladies Captain.
12. Rink bookings for all matches must be made via the online app - Team –up.
13. Visitors and non- members shall be permitted to use the green at a fee of £2.50 per session, but must be accompanied by a member.

### PRIORITY FOR RINK RESERVATION WILL BE:

- 1 Club League and Cup matches
- 2 Club Friendlies
- 3 External Competitions
- 4 Internal Club Competitions