

# THE DALESMAN LEAGUE RULES

- 1) The league shall be called the Dalesman League
- 2) The Annual Subscription will be £5 unless otherwise agreed at the AGM
- 3) Officers to be elected annually: Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer with one member from each club to form a committee. The Chairman to hold office for one year and to be appointed from member clubs on an alphabetical basis.
- 4) All matches to be played under Bowls England Rules
- 5) Teams to consist of two triples and all matches to be of 18 ends
- 6) All players to be fully paid up members of their respective club. During the season no player may play for more than one club. If a club has more than one team playing in the league a player may only play in one of those teams during the course of a season
- 7) Any matches which have to be postponed should be rearranged by the home secretary, giving two dates within the next 28 days (but not later than the end of August) to the visiting Secretary. If by mutual agreement it is not possible to rearrange the match within the stipulated time each team will be awarded 3 points. Should there be a disagreement with regard to the rearrangement: the matter will be referred to the Chairman. In all cases of postponement/cancellation the secretary to be notified of the situation by the home team. Every effort should be made to ensure that all fixtures are completed.
- 8) Games can only be postponed due to inclement weather or green unavailability. Matches may not be postponed because of shortage of players
- 9) Dress code is regulation grey/white uniform, white waterproofs, white, brown or grey shoes
- 10) Teams to arrive by 1.45 pm for a 2.00 pm start. All games to commence with two trial ends of two bowls each player each end.

- 11) Points to be awarded 2 points for a win 1 point for a draw, Bonus of 3 points for each winning rink, Drawn Rinks 1.5 points each.
- 12) In the event of inclement weather any decision to curtail the number of ends to be played shall be made before the commencement of any game. If ,after a game has commenced and with full agreement of both captains inclement weather forces the game to be abandoned and a minimum of 6 ends have been completed by each rink then the total scores of the two rinks at that time will constitute a match. The points awarded in these situations will be 5 to the winners and 3 to the losers. No account will be taken of the individual rink situation.
- 13) The procedure for allocating rinks to teams is for team captains to offer the reverse side of his two completed scorecards to the opposing captain to enter one of the numbers of the rinks selected by the home team for the match.
- 14) Should one team arrive with only 5 players the match should consist of one rink with the short player team conceding one rink. The complete team would receive 3 points for the conceded rink and two points for the aggregate, the points for the played rink be awarded according to the result.
- 15) If a player becomes seriously ill the match should be abandoned for replay at a later date
- 16) If a player becomes unable to continue for a health reason which is not life threatening his rink should be curtailed with the three points shared
- 17) In the event of an overall draw at the end of the season , the winner will be decided on shot difference
- 18) Results to be forwarded to the secretary within 48 hours of the completion of games