



Croquet Tasmania

Golf Croquet Tournaments General Conditions

Note that one or more of these conditions may be overridden by the conditions of an individual Tournament

The Competition will be conducted according to Australian Croquet Association (ACA) Tournament Regulations and played under the current Rules of Golf Croquet as determined by the WCF and adopted by The Tasmanian Croquet Association (Croquet Tasmania) unless otherwise provided for and advertised.

1. If there are fewer than three entries then the competition shall not be held.
2. All events are open to affiliated members of Croquet Tasmania and (except for State Medals) other Associations affiliated with Croquet Australia
3. The Croquet Tasmania Executive Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason and to make a final decision on any questions arising.
4. All play shall be under the control of the Tournament and Venue Managers who may have the assistance of the Tournament Referee and the State Director of Handicapping.
5. The Tournament Manager, in conjunction with the Tournament Referee shall conduct a draw, as per Tournaments Regulations
6. The Tournament Manager reserves the right to change the format of the event depending on the number of entries. The format of the event shall be confirmed when players are notified of the draw.
7. Suggested formats:
 - All games will be 13 point games played on full size lawns, double-banked where necessary.
 - 6 or fewer entrants (best of 3 round robin).
 - 7-10 entrants (1 block round robin of single games with final 4 playing best of 3 finals or one block playing a double round robin with no final).
 - more than 10 entrants (number of blocks (divisible by 4) single game round robin with top 8 playing best of 3 knockout finals).
8. The Tournament Manager may impose a time limit on all games, provided that such time limit is advertised in advance or announced at the tournament before the start of the event. If no time limit has been imposed Tournament Manager has the right to impose a time limit of a further 15 minutes after a game has been in progress for at least one hour (Tournament regulation 16.2).
9. Game/match start times will be programmed at the discretion of the Venue and Tournament Managers. A break of no more than 15 minutes between multiple games and 30 minutes for lunch may be allowed .
10. Players in the first game of the day must report to the Venue Manager at least 15 minutes prior to their starting time. For other games players must report 30 minutes before the scheduled starting times. A player who reports more than 15 minutes after their scheduled starting time may be disqualified, at the Tournament Manager's discretion.
11. As far as possible matches shall be played in the order of the daily programme, but the Venue Manager reserves the right to alter such programme, if necessary.
12. Balls currently approved by the ACA shall be used for the competition.
13. Hoop width shall be set at 3 11/16 inches with a tolerance of $\pm 1/32$ inches.
14. Intra-state, working players and players with special needs shall be given consideration when programming games. Otherwise players are expected to make themselves available to play at the times and on the days advertised for the competition.



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15. Players and officials must wear footwear which will not mark the court and which provides adequate protection for themselves both on and off the court; and neat, clean attire which the Tournament or Venue Manager judges will not cause significant offence to others. A player in unsuitable clothing or footwear will be given the opportunity to dress appropriately or will not be permitted to participate in the competition. (*from ACA Tournament Regulation 12.7*).

16. The Venue Manager and/or Tournament Manager will decide upon the suitability of weather for play. The health and well-being of players is of paramount importance when deciding if play should proceed.

17. Should an interstate player win an event, any Perpetual Trophy shall remain in Tasmania, in the custody of the Secretary, Croquet Tasmania.

18. Entrants in top grade events should expect to play up to six games in a day, and in the lower grade no more than four games in a day.

19. A lawn fee will be payable to the host Club each day.

20. In the case of a competitor being compelled to withdraw from the Tournament, all games played by such competitor shall be declared null and void.

21. Referees should be supervisory.

22. Players must ensure they have their handicap cards with them for inspection by the Tournament Manager prior to and at the completion of each event.

23. The Tournament Handicapper in consultation with the State Handicapper shall have the power to re-handicap any player who appears to be incorrectly handicapped