

**SUMMARY OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT
FOR INTER COUNTY TOURNAMENT**

1. No bowler may smoke or consume alcohol at any time or in any place throughout the duration the tournaments, even if legally permitted to do so.
2. Bowlers will comply with all legal instructions from the Officials, and will conform strictly with any curfews imposed.
3. Any bowler who is in a condition considered unfit to bowl will be withdrawn.
4. Any bowler who is found to be in possession of any offensive weapon or material will be withdrawn.
5. Bowlers will attend any E.C.T.A. arranged meals and must stay with their team.
6. Bowlers must be at the places advised, at the times specified, complete with all necessary equipments and sundries that they need.
7. Bowlers will dress, behave and speak modestly. Dress will be 'smart casual'. Immoderate language and rudeness are unacceptable
8. Essex shirts are only to be worn whilst actually representing Essex.

Essex Inter-County Roll-Offs 2019

All Essex County Roll-Off events will be held concurrently in the same venue using identical formats. Please read all of this document to understand how this will work. **The Best of Five Tournament** to determine Adult and Senior Squads will now accommodate Junior Bowlers too; to participate in this tournament a Junior must have a current BTBA **Standard** Membership Card. **NOTE:** This is a Re-entry event which includes a Prize Fund element which does (unfortunately) increase the Entry Fee. To facilitate Junior participation in the BTBA Inter-Counties there will also be a **Junior Roll-Off** event which requires only a current BTBA **Junior** Membership Card. **NOTE:** There is no Prize Fund here and we have negotiated a lower lineage rate for this strictly junior event to make it more available to the youngsters.

NOTE: Inter-County Rankings:

Everyone will bowl five (5) games to establish their Inter-County Ranking in their appropriate Division. Because the Best of Five is re-entry, and because a Junior could elect to bowl in both events a Bowlers' first five game score in either of these two events shall be the **only** score used for ranking.

The determination of the Squads registered shall be in strict accordance with current Inter-County Rules.

"Before, during, and after the event there could be photography, filming or video taken of participants and medal winners by anyone attending the event, either as an official, spectator, parent or guardian.

If you (as a participant, parent or guardian) object to this, you must make your objections known to the tournament manager prior to the event starting and reasonable adjustments will be made."

PLEASE REGISTER AT LEAST 30 MINUTES BEFORE SQUAD TIME

NO PLACES WILL BE HELD WITHOUT A COMPLETED ENTRY FORM & PAYMENT

ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY) WITH **COMPLETED ENTRYFORM AND CASH ENTRY FEE – THE ENTRY FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 8.30**

2019 'Best of Five' Tournament

(Including the Essex County Roll-Offs All Teams)

An Open Re-entry Handicapped Doubles Event

Bowl Five Games ~ Lose the Lowest

REGULAR, MIXED & FEMALE DIVISIONS

24th, 30th & 31st March 2019 at 09.00a.m.

at City Limits Romford

**The City Pavilion, Collier Row Road,
Romford RM5 2BH.**

B.T.B.A. Sanction Number : 19/0035

Tournament Manager : Steve McLean

ANY QUERIES OR ON TOURNAMENT DAYS RING ON 07973 560290

Cheques : To be made payable to E.C.T.A.

ONLINE ENTRY AVAILABLE

Closing Date 31st March 2019

PRIZE FUND £600

ASSUMING 60 ENTRIES

This event also gives every eligible bowler the opportunity to try out for their age respective Essex Team(s) at no additional cost, it is your chance to be considered for County Representation. Any participating Bowler completing the Declaration of Eligibility for County recognition WILL be considered for County representation using the following criteria - your TOTAL SCRATCH PINFALL bowled over all five (5) games of this event will be used to establish an Order of Merit, thereafter up to fifteen players will be registered for the participating teams.

See Rules 13 to 16 over for additional information.

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GENERAL RULES ...

- 1 - Authority :** This Event shall be Managed by the Tournament Manager.
- 2 - Rules :** This Event shall be subject to the BTBAs General and Playing Rules together with such additional Rules as may be required by the Inter County Regulations for 2019 V 1.2
btba.org.uk..
- 3 - Members :** BTBA memberships will be checked for validity on the BTBA members list which can be viewed At btba.org.uk. Claims that a Card is Lost or Missing must be supported by written confirmation from the BTBA. **Junior cards are not permitted.**
- 4 - Payment :** Entry is contingent upon **Pre-Payment** of the full **£65.00 Entry Fee**, this includes a £2per person contribution to Team England Funds and £10 Prize Fund. No team shall be entitled to a refund of any fees paid, although an Entry may be sold to an eligible individual with the approval of the Tournament Manager. **Cheques are to be made payable to E.C.T.A. with entry or via the online entry form with a bank transfer.**
- 5 - Dress Code :** No denim or denim-look clothing. Polo shirts or recognised bowling shirts only, **no T- shirt type tops**. Men may not wear Shorts, Ladies may wear Skirts, Slacks or Skorts, but not just Leggings.
- 6 - Scoring / Format :** Each Team will bowl **5 games** with another Team at Fours Pace, moving after each game to a new pair of lanes. Handicaps shall be 80% of the difference between the Bowlers highest current Averages (in any league or series of 21 games or more) and 230. The best **FOUR** Handicap Game Scores of **each** bowler shall be used to determine the Winning Pair in each of the **THREE** Divisions.
- 7 - Re-entry:** New Teams will be given precedence over Re-entries, lane availability permitting. A new team is one where the pairing is new. A Team may cash only once. For the purpose of establishing a Scratch Pin-fall '**Order of Merit**' ONLY a Bowlers first series of games will be considered.
- 8 - Protests :** Protests should be made verbally to the Tournament Manager immediately an incident occurs, and in writing within 72 hours. The Tournament Manager reserves the right to reject or re-rate any entry and her decision on all matters shall be final, subject to the Individuals right to appeal to the BTBA.
- 9 - A Provisional Ball or Frame** shall be bowled where disputes cannot be resolved immediately.
- 10 - Tardy Bowlers.** The Squad Times are as published, tardy Bowlers will commence bowling at that Frame in progress when they are ready and available to bowl.
- 11 - FOOD, DRINK, PHONES** - Eating and the consumption of Alcohol whilst bowling or during lane change is forbidden. Non alcoholic drinks may be consumed outside of the bowling area. Mobile phones should be turned OFF or switched to silent during bowling. There will be a short interval between the 3rd and 4th games for Lane Maintenance when Competitors may smoke & eat. This will be the only period when smoking and eating will be permitted during this competition.
- 12 - HELP.** If you have any problems please ADVISE us and ASK us if we are able to resolve your difficulties.

ADDITIONAL RULES FOR ESSEX COUNTY SELECTION

- 13 - Qualification** Individuals MUST be Members of the BTBA, and should be eligible to hold a British Passport, or must have lived continuously in the U.K. for 5 Years. Competitors should have been born in Essex or have resided therein for at least one year (HM Forces six months). All individual Applications for Change of Registration must be lodged for one year before becoming effective. Senior participants must be aged 50 on or before the 31st December in the year of the Championship. If in doubt - ask!
- 14 - Selection :** Essex Teams shall be selected in strict accordance with the Inter County Rules currently in force, all qualifiers must have completed the eligibility section. Members of an England Squad may be seeded into the Adult Essex Squad. (Advise your County Manager accordingly. **The top two qualifiers in each Division shall be eligible to play at least two (2) games during the qualifying rounds.**
- 15 - The Code of Conduct :** Will operate at the Roll-Offs and Copies of the Code of Conduct for Inter-County Players will be displayed at the Best of Five Roll-Off Tournament. A signed copy of the Code to signify your acceptance has to be returned to the County Manager to complete your eligibility.
- 16- A lone Bowler** may participate for Inter-County purposes without paying (or participating in) the Prize Fund.

NOTE - Rounds:

- Adults** - Qualifying Round **September**, Finals **November**
- Seniors** -Qualifying Round **June**, Finals **October**
- All dates to be confirmed at the Best of Fives**

SQUAD
9a.m.
Date: /

ENTRY FORM & FEES to: Tournament Manager : Steve McLean

OF FIVE ENTRY FORM 2018 - This tournament is open to all bowlers complying with the basic rules of this event.	
Enter "Exclude" in the Declaration of County Eligibility if you do not wish to be considered for selection to the Essex teams.	
Lead Off Name/Surname	
Address	
County/Post Code	
Phone No./Date of Birth	
Email	
BTBA No./Expiry Date	
League/Centre/Average	
Gender/County Eligibility	
<u>Other Leagues Bowled in</u>	
Anchor Name/Surname	
Address	
County/Post Code	
Phone No./Date of Birth	
Email	
BTBA No./Expiry Date	
League/Centre/ Average	
Gender/County Eligibility	
<u>Other Leagues Bowled in</u>	
By submitting this entry form you agree that both of your bowlers have read and understood the rules.	

SQUAD PREFERENCE : 9.00a.m 24th, 30th, 31st March 2019 (CIRCLE ONE DATE ONLY)
(Note the Date Chosen Opposite; and Retain that Rules Section for your Information)

If you have a **PROBLEM** - **ADVISE** us - and **ASK** if we can resolve your difficulties by contacting the Tournament Manager

Cheques for £65 payable to: **E.C.T.A** and entry form should be sent to Steve McLean, Tournament Manager, 8 Bell Street, Great Baddow, Chelmsford, CM2 7JR.
or Bank transfer to Acc 53495322 sort code 60-03-25 quoting Lead bowlers surname date bowling followed by BOF – i.e Smith24BOF. Entry form to be sent by post as above or emailed to essexbtba@btinternet.com

Email is the preferred form of communication