



2017-18 Metropolitan Pennant Structure Guide

And how do we get there

In 2017-2018 Men's Saturday and Thursday Pennant and Women's Tuesday Pennant will become a 14 week season plus finals. This will take place along with the addition of a separate 4 week plus finals Club Challenge Cup competition. To get all colours in every division down to 8 teams by 2017-2018 will require some revised Promotion and Demotion eligibilities for the 2016-2017 Pennant Season.

This guide will explain why the decision has been made to move to a new structure, what the future of the Metropolitan Pennant Competitions will look like, how it will function and what has to take place in 2016-2017 to get there.

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2017-2018 Men's Saturday & Midweek Pennant Structure based on 8 teams per colour

2017-2018 Women's Tuesday Pennant Structure based on 8 teams per colour

Why Is the Current Pennant Structure Changing?

For the past 20 years both the Men's and Women's Metropolitan Pennant Competition has seen declining player numbers and therefore declining number of teams entered. In the last seven years alone the Men's Saturday Pennant numbers have declined at an average of 100 players per year which equates to approximately twelve 6th Division teams per year. The Women's Tuesday Pennant numbers have declined at an average of 73 players per year which equates to approximately nine 4th Division teams per year.

If these numbers continue to decline at the yearly average of the last seven years, and at this point there is no reason to think they will not under the current circumstances, then it is not difficult to see that in only ten years time both the Men's and Women's Pennant Competitions will be drastically smaller than it currently is.

Since the current Pennant structures were introduced a number of changes have been initiated however these changes have only changed the shape of the structure e.g. having anywhere between four and eight colours in a division. Past changes have only seemed to address the issues of the day and not necessarily attempted to take into account issues and the requirements for our sport and our much loved pennant competition into the future

Bowls WA as well as clubs and players have been wrestling for many years with wide ranging and varied views from "the current pennant format is loved by many who play it and great the way it is" too "the overall commitment required to play a whole season of pennant is too long" or "it offers no variety for players who are looking for something different"

The Bowls WA Fixtures and Events Committee have been collating, evaluating and debating many different ideas for change and the possible scenarios that these changes would have on the competition now and into the future.

The final structure of both Men's and Women's Pennant is a combination of a number of these ideas and attempts to:

- Keep the traditional pennant format for those that love the present competition.
- Lessen the number of games in the present competition to allow players flexibility to have weeks off during the year without leaving their club short of players and forfeiting.
- Introduce a new competition into the season to allow those players, who wish to keep playing, that opportunity.
- Introduce a new competition that will allow corporate/community/social bowlers to play in a team style competition without the commitment of playing in the longer pennant version.
- Introduce a new competition that is different and adds variety to what we currently play.

What makes you think that these changes are going to help?

There are no guarantees that any one change will work and changing elements of Metropolitan Pennant on its own will not bring new players into our sport or keep the players who are leaving by choice. It is still going to take everybody in the current bowls community to find different ways to encourage people to stay and to introduce new people to our game

However what has been obvious is that the current structure is giving players multiple reasons not to play pennant anymore and in some cases not play the game at all. It is also offering new players a take it or leave it choice in competitive bowls when they first join a club or are considering joining either straight off the street or from a corporate/community bowls setting.

By going to a fourteen week pennant season, taking out some of the commitment level required from the hotter months and generally the time of year some players may want to get away or spend time with their families and also adding an additional fast paced, club based triples competition into the calendar players can choose to play more or less and play all season or take breaks without upsetting their clubs and team mates.

Won't shortening the Pennant Season stop people going to the club and hurt them financially?

While there will be four less pennant games the actual length of time the pennant season takes will not change with a similar start and finish date.

The weeks off created by the reduction in pennant games will be in the December and January period. And the void this creates will be filled with many of the Men's and Women's State events and some Club Cup Challenge rounds but will also create some opportunities for clubs to hold club days.

In fact with the addition of the Club Challenge Cup the season is actually longer for those players who want to play more. The Challenge Cup rounds will be placed at various times of the year with the competitions first rounds in early October and the final in April.

The changes in the Bowls WA calendar can be seen by clubs in two different ways, either one of opportunity to explore different ideas to keep club members that may drift away with no organised pennant games or one of lament that players are not coming to the club during this time.

The Bowls WA Fixtures and Events Committee believes clubs will see this as an opportunity and find ways to service and even enhance their club members experience of their club during the summer months.

What is this new Club Challenge Cup all about?

The Club Challenge Cup is an additional competition to the season and is designed to add a faster paced format of the game in the form of triples and sets play while still playing as a club in a three rink per team competition.

The basic format of the competition will follow the following guidelines:

- Every Division in Men's Saturday, Men's Midweek, Women's Tuesday and Women's Saturday Pennant has their own tournament
- Played as a triples competition in sections of 4
- Played over 3 rinks
- Each rink plays two sets with a one end tiebreak if required
- Sections drawn geographically
- Sectional Played over 4 weeks and 12 rounds
- 3 rounds played per week with a 1 hour time limit per round
- Every team within the section plays at one venue each round
- Every team within section hosts one week of sectional play
- Players may change positions or disciplines after each round
- Teams may have reserve players who rotate in after each round
- Winner of each section at the end of the four rounds to take part in a knockout tournament with other section winners to get a division champion
- Finals played on one day

Do the clubs have to enter teams in the Club Challenge Cup?

Yes. When a club accepts their Pennant entitlements in August 2017 they will automatically be entered into the Club Challenge Cup in their accepted Pennant Divisions.

What happens in the following season if my club wins the 3rd Division Club Challenge Cup but is demoted into 4th Division in the regular Pennant Season?

The initial setup of clubs in the Club Challenge Cup competition is based on the 2017-2018 Pennant entitlements however from the 2018-2019 season on it is expected the Club Challenge Cup will be independent of the Pennant Competition and will have its own Promotion and Demotion.

If your club wins the 3rd Division Club Challenge Cup they will play in the 2nd Division Club Challenge Cup the following season even though their regular highest pennant team may be in 3rd division or below.

It will be possible in future seasons that a club with a regular pennant team in a lower division can become the 1st Division Club Challenge Cup Champions.

MEN'S SATURDAY AND MIDWEEK PENNANT INFORMATION

What will the Pennant Divisions look like in the 2017-2018 structure?

What is going to happen to 1st Division?

- Instead of the current three tier structure of Premier league, 1st Division White and 1st Division North and South, 1st Division will become a two tier structure
- Premier League will still stand on top with eight teams but there will now be four equal 1st Division colours underneath with eight teams in each
- Saturday 1st Division will still be played as a four rink team competition
- Midweek 1st Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 2nd Division?

- The only change to 2nd Division will be each colour will have eight teams
- Saturday 2nd Division will still be played as a four rink team competition
- Midweek 2nd Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 3rd Division?

- The only change to 3rd Division will be each colour will have eight teams
- Saturday 3rd Division will still be played as a four rink team competition
- Midweek 3rd Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 4th Division?

- 4th Division will stretch into six colours of eight teams.
- Saturday 4th Division will still be played as a four rink team competition
- Midweek 4th Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 5th Division?

- 5th Division will stretch into six colours of eight teams.
- Saturday 5th Division will still be played as a three rink team competition
- Midweek 5th Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 6th Division?

- 6th Division will stretch into as many colours of eight teams as required
- Saturday 6th Division will still be played as a two rink team competition
- Midweek 6th Division will still be played as a two rink team competition

How will each Divisions Promotion and Demotion work in the 2017-2018 structure?

- **Note Saturday Pennant Finals are played over one weekend and Midweek Pennant Finals are played over consecutive Thursdays.**

Between Premier League and 1st Division

Premier League Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in Premier League are automatically demoted to 1st Division

Premier League Pennant Finals

- Premier League will play a top four finals system to determine the Pennant Winner

General 1st Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- It will be more difficult to gain promotion into Premier League with only two positions available between the four 1st Division colours with no automatic promotions
- At the start of the season the four 1st Division colours will be predesignated south and north colours
- At the end of the season the top three teams in each 1st Division colour will play an inter colour finals series on the first day of finals

Saturday 1st Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the four 1st Division colours will get the home ground advantage and the Bye in the first final in the morning of finals weekend
- The 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the four 1st Division colours will play a semi final in the morning at the home of the 1st placed team
- The semi final winner will play the 1st placed team in the afternoon to determine the colour winner
- On the second day of finals the four colour winners will play two Promotion Finals at a neutral venue to determine the two teams promoted to Premier League
- The two teams earning promotion will also be awarded the 1st Division South Pennant and the 1st Division North Pennant

Midweek 1st Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st and 2nd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the four 1st Division colours will play a semi final at the home of the 1st placed team on the first day of finals
- On the second day of finals the four colour winners will play two Promotion Finals at a neutral venue to determine the two teams promoted to Premier League

- The two teams earning promotion will also be awarded the 1st Division South Pennant and the 1st Division North Pennant

Between 1st Division and 2nd Division

1st Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 1st Division colour are automatically demoted to 2nd Division

2nd Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour will be automatically promoted and play for the 2nd Division Pennant
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season.
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 2nd Division Pennant winner
- The 2nd and 3rd placed team at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour will play a promotion final
- The promotion final will be played in the afternoon on the first day of finals at the home of the 2nd placed team in each colour with the winner earning promotion

Between 2nd Division and 3rd Division

2nd Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour are automatically demoted to 3rd Division

3rd Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 3rd Division colour will be automatically promoted and will play for the 3rd Division Pennant
- The four 3rd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season
- The four 3rd Division colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 3rd Division Pennant winner
- The 2nd and 3rd placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 3rd Division colour will play a promotion final
- The promotion final will be played in the afternoon on the first day of finals at the home of the 2nd placed team in each colour with the winner earning promotion

Between 3rd Division and 4th Division

- As the new Pennant structure widens to include six 4th Division colours at this point it requires a different finals system to ensure even numbers of promoted and demoted teams between the two divisions

3rd Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 3rd Division colour are automatically demoted to 4th Division

4th Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- At the start of the season the six 4th Division colours will be predesignated south and north colours
- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 4th Division colour will be automatically promoted and play for the 4th Division North and 4th Division South Pennant
- The three designated south colours will play for the 4th Division South Pennant and the three designated north colours will play for the 4th Division North Pennant
- The three 4th Division South colour winners will be ranked according to the number of points gained over the season.
- The 1st ranked team will receive the bye in the semi finals
- The 2nd and 3rd ranked teams will play a semi final with the winner to advance to the pennant final verses the 1st ranked team
- The same procedure applies to the three 4th Division North colours
- The 2nd placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 4th Division colour will play a promotion final
- The three south colours will play for one additional promotion position and the three north colours will play for one additional promotion position
- The three teams finishing in 2nd position in each of the south colours will be ranked on points as will the three teams finishing in 2nd position in each of the north colours
- The 2nd and 3rd ranked teams will play in the semi final. The winner will then play the 1st ranked team in the final with the winner gaining a promotion position

Between 4th Division and 5th Division

4th Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 4th Division colour are automatically demoted to 5th Division

5th Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- At the start of the season the six 5th Division colours will be predesignated south and north colours

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 5th Division colour will be automatically promoted and play for the 5th Division South Pennant and the 5th Division North Pennant
- The three designated south colours will play for the 5th Division South Pennant and the three designated north colours will play for the 5th Division North Pennant
- The three 5th Division South colour winners will be ranked according to the number of points gained over the season
- The 1st ranked team will receive the bye in the semi finals
- The 2nd and 3rd ranked teams will play a semi final with the winner to advance to the pennant final verses the 1st ranked team
- The same procedure applies to the three 5th Division North colours
- The 2nd and 3rd placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 5th Division colour will play a promotion final
- The promotion final will be played in the afternoon on the first day of finals at the home of the 2nd placed team in each colour with the winner earning promotion

Between 5th Division and 6th Division

At this stage it is uncertain as to how many colours will be in 6th Division. Provided we have six colours the promotion and demotion will be as per 4th Division and 5th Division. Any less or more colours will mean variations will be implemented.

What Promotions and Demotions are going to happen in the 2016-2017 Season to get to the 2017-2018 Pennant Structure?

Premier League

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season are automatically demoted to 1st Division
- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season to play a Challenge Final against 1st Division White Teams

Pennant Finals

- Current Premier League final four Pennant Finals remain

1st Division White

Demotions

- No demotions as all 1st Divisions are amalgamated

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions to Premier
- 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season will automatically be awarded the 1st Division White Pennant
- 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division White to play a Challenge Final against the 8th placed team in Premier League for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division White will have a play off game with the winner to play a Challenge Final against the 7th placed team in Premier League for promotion

1st Division Blue North and Blue South

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South are automatically demoted to 2nd Division
- Current Challenge finals remain for 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South

Saturday Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No promotions as all 1st Divisions are amalgamated
- Teams finishing 1st to 4th on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South will play for the 1st Division Blue Pennant
- On the first day of finals each 1st Division Blue colour will play a finals system consisting of:
- **Semi Finals:** 1st verses 4th and 2nd verses 3rd in each of 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South
- **Preliminary Finals:** The winners of the semi finals to play to determine the 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South Winner
- **Grand Final:** The 1st Division Blue North winner verses the 1st Division Blue South Winner to determine the Blue Pennant winner

Midweek Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No promotions as all 1st Divisions are amalgamated
- The 1st and 2nd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the 1st Division Blue North and 1st Division Blue South will play a semi final on the first day of finals
- On the second day of finals the two colour winners will play for the 1st Division Blue Pennant

2nd Division

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season in each colour are automatically demoted to 3rd Division

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final verses 3rd Division teams for the right to remain in 2nd Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season automatically promoted to 1st Division and will play for the 2nd Division Pennant
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 2nd Division Pennant winner
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season play off for the right to play a Challenge final verses a 1st Division Blue team for promotion as per 2015-2016 season

3rd Division

- Eight Demoted 2nd Division teams are added to 3rd Division

Demotions

- 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th in each colour are automatically demoted to 4th Division
- 6th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final verses 4th Division teams for the right to remain in 3rd Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions
- No 3rd Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against an 8th placed 2nd Division team for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play off for the right to play a Challenge Final against a 7th placed 2nd Division team for promotion

4th Division

- Sixteen Demoted 3rd Division teams are added to 4th Division

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season in each colour are automatically demoted to 5th Division
- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge final verses 5th Division teams for the right to remain in 4th Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotion
- No 4th Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against a 6th placed 3rd Division team for promotion

5th Division

- Eight Demoted 4th Division teams are added to 5th Division

Demotions

- Teams 9th and 10th on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season in each colour are automatically demoted to 6th Division
- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge final verses 6th Division teams for the right to remain in 5th Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions
- No 5th Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against an 8th placed 4th Division team for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play off for the right to play a Challenge Final against a 7th placed 4th Division team for promotion

6th Division

- Ten Demoted 5th Division teams are added to 6th Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions
- No 6th Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against an 8th placed 5th Division team for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play off for the right to play a Challenge Final against a 7th placed 5th Division team for promotion

WOMEN'S TUESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY PENNANT INFORMATION

What will the Pennant Divisions look like in the 2017-2018 structure?

Women's Friday Night Pennant

- There will be no changes to Friday Night Pennant

Women's Saturday Pennant

- There will be no changes to Saturday Pennant

Women's Tuesday Pennant

What is going to happen to 1st Division?

- Instead of the current three tier structure of Premier league, 1st Division White and 1st Division North and South, 1st Division will become a two tier structure
- Premier League will still stand on top with eight teams but there will now be four equal 1st Division colours underneath with eight teams in each
- 1st Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 2nd Division?

- The only change to 2nd Division will be each colour will have eight teams
- 2nd Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 3rd Division?

- The only change to 3rd Division will be each colour will have eight teams
- 3rd Division will still be played as a three rink team competition

What is going to happen to 4th Division?

- 4th Division will stretch into as many colours of eight teams as required
- 4th Division will still be played as a two rink team competition

How will each Division Promotion and Demotion work in the 2017-2018 structure?

Between Premier League and 1st Division

Premier League Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in Premier League are automatically demoted to 1st Division

Premier League Pennant Finals

- Premier League will play a top four finals system to determine the Pennant Winner

1st Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- It will be more difficult to gain promotion into Premier League with only two positions available between the four 1st Division colours with no automatic promotions.
- At the start of the season the four 1st Division colours will be predesignated South and North colours
- At the end of the season the top three teams in each 1st Division colour will play an inter colour finals series on the first day of finals
- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the four 1st Division colours will get the home ground advantage and the Bye in the first final
- The 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each of the four 1st Division colours will play a semi final on the first day of finals at the home of the 2nd placed team
- The semi final winner will play the 1st placed team at the home of the 1st placed team on the following day to determine the colour winner
- On the third day of finals the four colour winners will play two Promotion Finals at a neutral venue to determine the two teams promoted to Premier League
- The two teams earning promotion will also be awarded the 1st Division South and the 1st Division North Pennant

Between 1st Division and 2nd Division

1st Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 1st Division colour are automatically demoted to 2nd Division

2nd Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour will be automatically promoted and play for the 2nd Division Pennant
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season

- The four 2nd Division ranked colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 2nd Division Pennant winner
- The 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour will play a promotion final.
- The promotion final will be played at the home of the 2nd placed team in each colour with the winner earning promotion.

Between 2nd Division and 3rd Division

2nd Division Demotion

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 2nd Division colour are automatically demoted to 3rd Division

3rd Division Pennant Finals and Promotion

- The 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 3rd Division colour will be automatically promoted and play for the 3rd Division Pennant
- The four 3rd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season
- The four 3rd Division ranked colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 3rd Division Pennant winner
- The 2nd and 3rd placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in each 3rd Division colour will play a promotion final
- The promotion final will be played at the home of the 2nd placed team in each colour with the winner earning promotion.

Between 3rd Division and 4th Division

At this stage it is uncertain as to how many colours will be in 4th Division. Provided we have four colours the promotion and demotion will be as per 2nd Division and 3rd Division. Any less or more colours will mean variations will be implemented.

What Promotions and Demotions are going to happen in the 2016-2017 Season to get to the 2017-2018 Pennant Structure?

Premier League

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season are automatically demoted to 1st Division
- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season to play a Challenge Final against 1st Division White Teams

Pennant Finals

- Current Premier League final four Pennant Finals remain

1st Division White

Demotions

- No demotions as all 1st Divisions are amalgamated

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions to Premier League
- 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season will automatically be awarded the 1st Division White Pennant
- 1st placed team on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division White to play a Challenge Final against the 8th placed team in Premier League for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division White will have a playoff game with the winner to play to play a Challenge Final against the 7th placed team in Premier League for promotion

1st Division Green North and Green South

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Green North and 1st Division Green South are automatically demoted to 2nd Division
- Challenge finals will be played for 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Green North and 1st Division Green South

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No promotions as all 1st Divisions are amalgamated
- Teams finishing 1st to 4th on the ladder at the end of the Home and Away season in 1st Division Green North and 1st Division Green South will play for the 1st Division Green Pennant
- Each 1st Division Green colour will play a finals system consisting of:
- **Semi Finals:** 1st verses 4th and 2nd verses 3rd in each of 1st Division Green North and 1st Division Green South
- **Preliminary Finals:** The winners of the semi finals to play to determine the 1st Division Green North and 1st Division Green South Winner
- **Grand Final:** The 1st Division Green North winner verses the 1st Division Green South Winner to determine the Green Pennant winner

2nd Division

Demotions

- 9th and 10th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season in each colour are automatically demoted to 3rd Division

- 7th and 8th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final verses 3rd Division teams for the right to remain in 2nd Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season automatically promoted to 1st Division and will play for the 2nd Division Pennant
- The four 2nd Division colour winners will be ranked one to four according to the number of points gained over the season
- The four 2nd Division ranked colour winners will play a 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd finals system to determine the 2nd Division Pennant winner
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season play off for the right to play a Challenge final verses a 1st Division Green team for promotion

3rd Division

- Eight Demoted 2nd Division teams are added to 3rd Division

Demotions

- 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season are automatically demoted to 4th Division
- 6th placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final verses 4th Division teams for the right to remain in 3rd Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotions
- No 3rd Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against an 8th placed 2nd Division team for promotion
- 2nd and 3rd placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play off for the right to play a Challenge Final against a 7th placed 2nd Division team for promotion

4th Division

- Sixteen Demoted 3rd Division teams are added to 4th Division

Pennant Finals and Promotion

- No automatic promotion
- No 4th Division Pennant Awarded
- 1st placed teams on the ladder in each colour at the end of the Home and Away season will play a Challenge Final against a 6th placed 3rd Division team for promotion

2017-2018 MEN'S SATURDAY & MIDWEEK PENNANT STRUCTURE based on 8 teams per colour

PREMIER LEAGUE

**1st DIVISION
SOUTH**

**1st DIVISION
SOUTH**

**1st DIVISION
NORTH**

**1st DIVISION
NORTH**

**2nd DIVISION
Sth**

**2nd DIVISION
Sth**

**2nd DIVISION
Nth**

**2nd DIVISION
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**3rd DIVISION
Sth**

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**4th DIVISION
Sth**

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**4th DIVISION
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**5th DIVISION
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**5th DIVISION
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**5th DIVISION
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**5th DIVISION
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**5th DIVISION
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**6th DIVISION
Sth**

**6th DIVISION
Sth**

**6th DIVISION
Sth**

**6th DIVISION
Nth**

**6th DIVISION
Nth**

**6th DIVISION
Nth**

2017-2018 WOMEN'S TUESDAY PENNANT STRUCTURE based on 8 teams per colour

PREMIER LEAGUE

**1st DIVISION
SOUTH**

**1st DIVISION
SOUTH**

**1st DIVISION
NORTH**

**1st DIVISION
NORTH**

**2nd DIVISION
Sth**

**2nd DIVISION
Sth**

**2nd DIVISION
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**2nd DIVISION
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**3rd DIVISION
Sth**

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**4th DIVISION
Sth**

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