

# PS Competitive Bocce League Regulations

## Updated for 2025 season

### General Rules:

1. Refer to PS Bocce Rules (for League Play) dated January 4, 2022 which are available on the PS Bocce Website: <https://masters33928.us/psbocce>
2. Rule questions or disputes or un-anticipated issues should be reported to the League Coordinator for resolution.
3. Courtesy, respect and good sportsmanship are expected at all times.

### Team Composition:

1. Teams must consist of a minimum of eight (8) players. Only players listed on the roster are eligible to participate.
2. Team members may be replaced during the season but only to maintain the minimum number of (8) players, and any changes must be approved by the League coordinator prior to play. Playing an unauthorized person may result in forfeiture of the match.
3. A participation fee will be charged to each player's Club account after the start of the season. This fee is nonrefundable. The amount of the fee is determined by the Bocce Committee and is currently \$25.00.  
**Note:** replacement players must pay the full entry fee.
4. Distribution of any playoff rewards will be at the discretion of the team Captain involved. Team Captains are responsible for notifying the league coordinator of any special (payoff rewards) distribution instructions.

### Games:

1. Matches take place on Thursdays at 4 PM unless otherwise stated.
2. The "2 points for a bocce ball touching the pallino" rule is not used during League play.
3. **All** games will be played to twelve (12) points.
4. Match winners are the winners of two (2) out of three games.

5. Four (4) players must be present to begin play within 15 minutes of the scheduled start time or the match will be forfeited. (Captains may use discretion in delaying the start of games).
6. The winning team Captain is responsible for reporting the results to the League Coordinator within 24 hours.
7. In the event of a rainout the match will be played on the first available Thursday following completion of the regular season. In the event of several rainouts, the League Coordinator may use discretion for the timing of makeup games. It is suggested the coordinator would meet with the team Captains and/or Bocce Committee to insure fairness to all involved. In the event of a partial rainout, play should resume from the point that play was halted. The League coordinator is responsible for recording the scores. The League coordinator may rule on any issues that arise prior to the start of play of partial matches.
8. The top four (4) teams at the conclusion of the season will compete in a championship playoff. Ties in League standings will be decided by results of team head-to-head games. If there is still a tie after the initial head-to-head tie breaker results are computed, then the standings of the teams impacted by that tie will be decided "on the court" with the games as set up by the League Coordinator.
- 9. The playoff format follows:**
  - a. First round- 1<sup>st</sup> place team plays 4<sup>th</sup> place team  
2<sup>nd</sup> place team plays 3<sup>rd</sup> place team
  - b. Second round- The winning teams play for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place and the non-winning teams play for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place.
  - c. Prize pay out to top four teams distributed as follows:  
40%, 30%, 20%, 10%
10. Referees will be agreed on by team Captains. Prior to start of the game, the team Captain shall appoint "playing captains" for each end. Only the team captains and/or (playing Captains at the receiving end) are allowed on the court and only they may request a measurement.
11. A team may make 2 substitutions per game and can only be done between frames. A player who is taken out may not reenter the game.
12. Players are not allowed to switch ends during the game.
13. **Team members play at the discretion of the team Captain.**