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To: Zones, Districts & Clubs

Re: Clarification of COP - State President's Reserve Eligibility

The State Match Committee has received some requests for clarification of the criteria for eligibility for State President's Reserve Championships

The State Match Committee advises that each of the events contains a similar criteria eligibility:

Open to all players registered with Bowls NSW who were graded in their previous season in Grade 5, Grade 6 or Grade 7 or who has no previous season grading and is not graded higher than Grade 5 at the close of entries for that Association Event and who have not entered the corresponding State or State Senior Event.

Previous State Winners of State President's Reserve events are ineligible to enter that specific event again.

Eligibility to enter and play in the event is therefore determined on the following three factors

## The player must

- Have a previous season grading of Grade 5, Grade 6 or Grade 7 (Note that a player for whom a regrade is obtained remains ineligible to enter if their previous season grading was higher than Grade 5)
- Have not attained a current season grading or have been graded in Grade 5, Grade 6 or Grade 7 in the current season on the date that entries closed
- Not have previously won (at State level) that State President's Reserve Championship.

## It should also be noted that

- Players who were eligible to enter at the close of entries remain eligible to play in and continue through to play State Finals regardless of whether they subsequently become graded higher than Grade 5 in the current season.
- Players who have a previous season Grading higher than Grade 5 are ineligible to enter the 2019 State President's Reserve Championships regardless of their current (2019) season grading.
- A player who becomes graded in the Current Season in a grade higher than Grade 5 <u>before</u> the close of entries for a State President's Reserve Championship is ineligible to enter that Championship. (This may mean that a player who was eligible to enter a State President's Reserve Championship before becoming graded will become eligible to enter others after being graded in the current season).

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