Selection Process for National & International Competition

The Jersey Pétanque Association has agreed a new process for the selection of players to represent Jersey in the following competitions:

- European Championships
- World Championships
- Home Nations
- Inter Insular

A. OVERVIEW OF SELECTION PROCESS:

1. Selection of players will be made based upon their performance as demonstrated by their position in the Ranking System (with the exception of the Home Nations – see below)
2. Ultimately, the JPA Management Committee (JPAMC) will have the final say in any decision/dispute
3. Players will be expected to take part in as many “open” competitions as possible which will decide their position in the Ranking System
4. Regular coaching sessions will be available to players if they wish to take part

B. SELECTION FOR WORLD AND EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Including – Singles, Doubles, Mixed Doubles, Triples, Veterans

1. Ranking

a. A Ranking System will be used that records the results of player's performances in “Open” competitions in the Island (currently 10 per year – see Notes 1.)

b. The ranking is over a two year rolling period starting with 2017 and 2018 results

c. The top 8 results from competitions per year (best 16 in total over 2 years) for an individual will be used

d. Ranking is individual per player

e. The Ranking is a combined system of Singles, Doubles and Triples

f. The points allocated are the same for each open competition (*50% increase for Island Championships - see h. below)

g. Points are awarded to the top 16 places as follows:

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h. JPA Island Championships will attract 150% of the nominal ranking points
i. Minimum Entry requirements apply as follows:

- All Qualifying Tournaments must have a minimum of 10 (Ten) participating players/teams for the points system to apply in full. (100% of points)
- Qualifying Tournaments with less than 10 (Ten) players/teams are only allocated 50% of the points available
- Qualifying Tournaments with less than 8 (eight) players/teams are only allocated 25% of the points available

j. Any tournament that does not have a third and fourth place play-off will have the points for third awarded to both players

k. Ranking points will only be earned for “Main” competitions, not “plate” or subsidiary competitions

l. Where the numbers of players/teams fall below 16 the original qualifying position applies. Example: Swiss System used - Only top 8 go through to quarterfinals. Therefore players/teams placing 9th to 16th are awarded points based on their Swiss ranking position or on their wins and points difference if for example they played in a group

m. Every time a competition is played, the points awarded replace the points received from the competition two years previously. For example a player who won the Island Singles Championship in 2017 would have their result replaced by their finishing position in 2019

2. Selection

a. The top four, eight and twelve players in the rankings will be picked for singles, doubles and triples competition respectively

b. For the doubles and triples, players will be asked to “self-select” a team. If they are unable or unwilling to do so, the JPAMC will make the selection

c. The teams and (for singles) the individuals, will take part in play offs to be arranged as far as possible as follows:
   - Held over three separate days
   - Each day will be held at a different venue (three venues-different terrain types)
   - Each player/team will play each other at each of the three venues
   - This will be subject to change if decided by the JPAMC due to circumstances/time constraints – see Notes 2.

d. The player/team qualifying to represent Jersey will be the one sorted by the following criteria:
   - 1 - No of Wins
   - 2 - Points Difference
   - 3 - If a player or team is still tied the results against each other will decide

C. SELECTION FOR HOME NATIONS:

As soon as practically possible in a new year, players will be asked to “self-select” triples teams to take part in the competition. If more than the required number of teams (presently 8) comes forward, then play-offs, in the form of a league with each team playing each other will be held. The top teams (number as required) will qualify under the same criteria as that in 2. c. & d. above.

D. SELECTION FOR INTER-INSULAR:

The top 15 (12 plus three reserves) players from the rankings will qualify for selection and the team manager (to be appointed by the JPAMC) will divide players into doubles and triplets after consultation with the players chosen. (See Notes 3.)
E. NOTES

1. Ranking Tournaments

JPA Island Singles Championship
JPA Island Doubles Championship
JPA Island Men’s/Ladies Triples Championship
JPA Island Open Triples Championship

Liberation Petanque Club - Open - Singles
Liberation Petanque Club - Open - Doubles
Liberation Petanque Club - Open - Mixed Doubles

Jersey Petanque Club - Open - Doubles

Carrefour Petanque Club - Open - Singles
Carrefour Petanque Club - Open - Triples

2. Play-Offs

Although the Play-Offs will be arranged as set out in 2. c. above, there may be occasions where this procedure will be subject to change. E.G. - if a play off takes place at JPC, there are at least three different terrains available so three different venues may not be needed. In addition, due to the deadlines imposed by the organisers of International & National competition, the play-off method may have to be adapted. In all such cases, the decision of the JPAMC will be final.

3. Inter-Insular

The rules of the Inter-Insular state that each team must have at least two players of “the opposite gender” and three reserves are permitted. To maintain this rule (including reserves) it may be that the top 15 players from the ranking at any one time are not picked. E.G. – if the top 14 players are of one gender, only the top 12 will be chosen, as the other three players have to be of the “opposite gender”.

4. Availability

In all cases, should a qualifying ranked player not be available, not be eligible or not wish to be considered for a specific competition, the next available ranked player will be chosen.