Finals Day – Exceptional Circumstances

Where exceptional circumstances prevent a player from participating in the final on Finals Day, the player may apply to the **Competition Committee** for approval of those circumstances. Exceptional circumstances do not include injury.

Where the Competition Committee approves the circumstances, the following provisions shall apply:

1. **Playing the Final Before Finals Day**
   The preference is to play **before Finals Day** and both players should make best endeavours to find a suitable date.
2. **One-Week Extension**
   Where the final cannot be played before Finals Day, the affected player may be granted a one-week **extension** to complete the match. The extension is subject to the **agreement of the opponent**.
3. **Opponent Unable to Play Within Extension**
   If the opponent is unable or unwilling to play the final within the extension period, the affected player shall be required to **concede the match**.
4. **Alternative Dates**
   Any alternative date offered by the opponent within the extension period shall be entirely at the **opponent's discretion**. The affected player has no entitlement to require or expect the opponent to offer an alternative date.