



POLICIES

Bowls Australia governs the sport of bowls in Australia and shapes policies on various significant matters not covered in the laws.

Officials must be familiar with Bowls Australia policies, which are frequently updated and can be found on the Bowls Australia website and in the law book following the Domestic Regulations.

States and Territories may modify Bowls Australia policies to meet their specific requirements provided these modifications are specifically stated in the policies. Otherwise, Bowls Australia policies must be followed

Umpires and officials must refer to specific 'Bowls Australia' and 'State' policies when handling situations such as player eligibility, offensive language, smoking on the green, and extreme weather conditions.

Officials are required to complete various documents related to specific situations, such as the 'Instantaneous Penalty Report' and 'Challenge to Bowls' form, and adhere to the procedures for protests and appeals.

QUESTIONS REGARDING POLICIES

1. Most of the Bowls Australia Policies related to umpiring are referred to in the Bowls Australia Law Book. List the policies mentioned in the Law Book?

2. Occasionally during an event, umpires, along with the Controlling Body, may need to approve substitutes and replacement players.

- a) Where is information available on players eligibility to play for an event?

- b) What Bowls Australia policy would be referred to if required?

3. A situation arises where a player is using offensive and intimidating language for which there is no penalty in the Crystal Mark 4th Edition of the Law book.

- a) For domestic play in Australia, what policy would the umpire invoke and where is it found?

- b) Outline the procedure the umpire would follow.

4. At an event, where Bowls Australia is the Controlling Body, the umpire notices a player smoking on the green.

a) What Bowls Australia policy should be referred to when considering a decision in relation to this situation?

b) What action should be taken by the umpire?

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a) As an official at a Bowls Australia event, what action should be taken with the threat of lightning?

b) What policy should the umpire or the Controlling Body refer to?

6. The following documents are required to be completed by officials in relation to certain situations. Match a relevant Bowls Australia Policy to each document.

a) 'Instantaneous Penalty Report' _____

b) 'Appealing an Umpire's Decision' _____

c) 'Challenge to Bowls' form _____

d) 'Challenge to Bowling Arm' form _____

7. a) What is the deposit to be paid for the following:

'Appealing an Umpire's Decision' _____

Lodging a 'Challenge to Bowls' _____

Lodging a 'Challenge to Bowling Arm' _____

b) Who ensures the deposit is paid in each of these instances?

c) What procedures should the umpire follow once the deposit has been paid?

8. Where would information be available to umpires on bowls attire if the Conditions of Play stated that Bowls Australia policies should be followed?

9. Where should the Bowls Australia logo be positioned on the following items of clothing?

a) Shirts _____

b) Shorts _____

c) Skirts _____

10. What are the requirements for the Bowls Australia Logo on socks?

11. For events where bowls Australia is the Controlling Body, footwear used by players must be included in the Bowls Australia approved footwear list. List 5 shoes on the list.

12. In a fours game, the umpire has invoked the Instantaneous Penalties Policy and penalised a player for 'extremely offensive conduct and language' - awarding 8 shots to the opposing team. The player commits the same offence a second time.

What procedures should be followed by the umpire?

13. a) A player appeals against a measuring decision. What should happen and is there a Bowls Australia Policy to deal with this situation?

b) A player appeals against an umpiring decision. What should happen and is there a Bowls Australia Policy to deal with this situation?

14. On a wet day, a wheelchair bowler appears to be damaging the green. What policy should be referred to and what action should be taken?

15. What action should be taken if a serious offence occurred on the green requiring police action?

16. A team manager in a Bowls Australia Under 18 competition is seen to be consuming alcohol on the banks of the green. What Bowls Australia policy should be referred to and what action should be taken?

17. A player commences the game with an approved bowling arm and during the game decides to continue without using the bowling arm. What action should be taken by the umpire and name the relevant Bowls Australia policy?

Policy? _____

18. Extremely hot weather is forecast for an event.

- a) List the procedures and policy to be considered if the event is controlled by Bowls Australia.

Policy? _____

- b) List the procedures and policy to be considered if the event is controlled by your state.

Policy? _____

19. List the measuring equipment approved by Bowls Australia for use in Australia only.

20. What are the requirements for walking frames when used by bowlers on bowling greens?