



## STRUCTURE OF THE LAW BOOK, DEFINITIONS and DOMESTIC REGULATIONS

### ANSWERS

#### LAWS OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS CRYSTAL MARK 4<sup>th</sup> Edition

1. Name the 5 main sections of the 'Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4<sup>th</sup> Edition'.
  - a. Section 1 **Game Basics**
  - b. Section 2 **Game Anomalies**
  - c. Section 3 **Duties of Players and Officials**
  - d. Section 4 **Field of Play and Equipment**
  - e. Section 5 **Administration**
2. List the subtitles under each of the main sections.
  - a. Section 1 (7) Game Basics  
**1.1 Arranging a Game 1.2 Getting a Game Underway 1.3 Possession of the Rink  
1.4 Touchers and Dead Bowls 1.5 Live and Dead Jack 1.6 Result of an End 1.7 Game Decisions**
  - b. Section 2 (4) Game Anomalies  
**2.1 Irregularities Affecting Play 2.2 Factors Affecting Play  
2.3 Bowl and Jack Displacement 2.4 Defaults by Players**
  - c. Section 3 (2) Duties of Players and Officials  
**3.1 Players and their Duties 3.2 Officials and their Duties and Spectators**
  - d. Section 4 (2) Field of Play and Equipment  
**4.1 The Green, Ditch, Banks and Rinks 4.2 Equipment: Mat, Jack Bowls and Measures**
  - e. Section 5 (3) Administration  
**5.1 Playing Formats 5.2 Game Regulations 5.3 Administration Matters**
3. How many Appendices are in Crystal Mark 4<sup>th</sup> Edition? **3**
4. List the headings in:
  - a. Appendix A –  
**A1 Conditions of Play A2 Footwear A3 Clothing A4 Restricting the Movement of Players  
A5 Delaying Play**
  - b. Appendix B –  
**B1 Position of the Bank B2 Marks on the Surface of the Rink B3 Centring the Jack  
B4 Distance Charts**
  - c. Appendix C –  
**C1 Bowl and Jack Displacement Chart**
5. How many Laws are in Crystal Mark 4<sup>th</sup> Edition? **6**
6. Read the 'Foreward' on Page 8 of the Law Book. What do you consider to be the 'main idea' or 'important feature' of this paragraph?
  - a. **If a situation arises that is not covered by the laws, players, Markers and Umpires must use common sense and fair play to resolve the issue.**
7. Read the 'Conventions'. Page 8 What do the following terms mean within the laws?
  - a. 'must' and 'will' **References to 'must' and 'will' means the action is 'compulsory'.**
  - b. 'can' **References to 'can' within the laws means the action is 'optional'.**
  - c. 'between'- **References to 'between' when used to describe a range of weights or measurements within the laws means the smallest and largest numbers given are included within the range.**



## DEFINITIONS

### A. CONTROL

#### 8. Controlling Body

- a. What defines a 'Controlling Body'?

The body with immediate control over the 'Conditions of Play' under which a game is played.

- b. Who might the 'Controlling Body' be for the following events?

- i. Club Pairs Championship Club Match Committee
- ii. 'Australian Open' Bowls Australia
- iii. State Fours Championship State Match Committee

### B. PLAYERS

#### 9. 'Side' and 'Team'

- a. What is the difference between a 'side' and a 'team'?

A side is – Any agreed number of teams or singles players (or a combination of Teams and Singles players) whose combined scores decide the result of a game.

A team - is a Pair, a Triple, or a Four

- b. Name a 'side' competition you are familiar with.

e.g. Pennant

- c. Name a 'team' competition you are familiar with.

e.g. State Fours Championship, Club Pairs etc

### C. PLAY

#### 10. Defaulting player, team or side

- a. What is a defaulting player, team or side'?

The player, team or side that does not meet the requirements of any specific law or laws.

- b. Find a definition which describes the consequence of a defaulting player, team or side?

C10 Forfeited Game – a game that is awarded to an opponent as a penalty for the defaulting player, team or side not meeting the requirements of one or more laws.

#### 11. 'Displaced jack and bowl'

- a. How does Definition C4 'Displaced jack or bowl' relate to Definition C11 'Former Position'?

A 'displaced jack or bowl' (in most cases,) must always be placed back to its 'former position'.

- b. What section of the Law Book deals predominantly with 'a displaced jack or bowl' and 'replacing the jack or bowl to its former position'?

Section 2.3 Bowl and Jack Displacement

#### 12. What constitutes an 'end' in a game of bowls?

C7 Delivery of the jack, delivery of all the bowls required to be played by all of the opponents in the same direction on a rink, and deciding the number of shots scored.

#### 13. What is the difference between a 'bowl in its original course' and a 'bowl in motion'?

- a. A bowl in its original course - C15 – A bowl from its delivery, until it comes to rest, no matter how many times (for a bowl) it comes into contact with the jack or other bowls before it comes to rest or becomes dead.

- b. A bowl in motion – a bowl which is moving during play after being at rest as part of the head.



14. Provide three examples of a:

a. Neutral person –

- I. Umpire
- II. Marker
- III. spectator

b. Neutral object –

- I. Line jack or bowl belonging to a player on a neighbouring rink
- II. Any object not belonging to a player on the rink.
- III. A dead bowl that is at rest and has not been removed from the rink of play

c. Is a pencil belonging to a player on the 'rink of play' a neutral object?

No

15. What is a 'jack high' bowl?

The nearest part of a bowl is in line with and the same distance from the mat line as the nearest part of the jack.

16. What is the difference between the terms: 'rink' and 'rink of play'?

- a. Rink - The section of the green on which a game is played.
- b. Rink of Play – The section of the green and the corresponding sections of end ditches on which a game is played.

17. What is defined as the 'side boundaries' of the rink of play?

Imaginary straight lines connecting the centres of the boundary pegs on opposite banks that show the limits of the rink of play.

18. What are the heads of shot indicators (paddles) required to match?

The heads of the indicators match either the colours of the adhesive markings on each player's bowls or the colours of each player's bowls.

19. Who is the visiting skip when skips of competing teams are playing at a neutral venue?

The skips of the second named team in each pair of competing teams when games are being played at a neutral venue.

#### D. BOWLS

20. What constitutes a 'set of bowls'?

Four bowls, all of which are a:

- I. of a matched set.
- II. of the same make and model and
- III. of the same size, weight, colour, bias, serial number and engraving.

21. What is a 'Working Reference Bowl' and why are they required?

A bowl approved by world bowls as

- I. having the minimum bias required and
- II. in all other respects following the laws of the sport of bowls.

Each working reference bowl is engraved with the words working reference bowl and World Bowls makes sure that each Licenced Tester is given a working reference bowls.



## APPENDICES

22. What 'Appendix' and 'Appendix Number' would you find the following?

- a. Placing the jack in relation to the 2metre marks.  
**Appendix B3**
- b. The details required when setting 'Conditions of Play' for a tournament.  
**Appendix A1**
- c. 'Restrictions on the movement of players' in a fours competition.  
**Appendix A4**
- d. 'Marks allowed on the surface of the green'.  
**Appendix B2**
- e. Marking 3 respot positions for sets play.  
**Appendix B2.3.1**
- f. The positions of pegs, discs and markers on the side bank.  
**Appendix B4.1**

## DOMESTIC REGULATIONS, INDEX and POLICIES

### DOMESTIC REGULATIONS

- 1. What law in the Crystal Mark 4<sup>th</sup> edition deals with Domestic Regulations?  
**Law 57**
- 2. Who is empowered to make Domestic Regulations for bowls in Australia?  
**Bowls Australia**
- 3. How many Domestic Regulations are Member National Authorities able to make?  
**22 Domestic Regulations**
- 4. What section of the law book does Domestic Regulation 3 match?  
**Section 3 – Duties of Players and Officials**
- 5. What Domestic Regulation deals with absentee players and substitutes?  
**Domestic Regulation 2**
- 6. What Domestic Regulation deals with the skip's duties relating to scorecards?  
**Domestic Regulation 3.2**
- 7. What Domestic Regulation explains who can change the scoreboard?  
**Domestic Regulation 3.1**
- 8. DR 2.6 explains 'Absentee Players in a Side Game.  
If a player is absent from a team in a side game,
  - a. the team plays as though the **second** is the missing player.
  - b. How many bowls does each player play with?
    - i. **The Leads and seconds play three bowls each and the skip plays two bowls.**

### INDEX

- 9. In the Index, what do the following mean?
  - a. DR **Domestic Regulation**
  - b. APX **Appendix**

### POLICIES

- 10. How many Bowls Australia policies are mentioned in the Policy section.  
**12 policies**
- 11. Where would you find the complete policy on 'Bowls Testing' or 'Artificial Devices'?  
**Bowls Australia Website**