



WLIBA



COVID-19: SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE FOR INDOOR BOWLS CLUBS

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INTRODUCTION

Based on the roadmap Welsh Government have detailed and the announcement they made on 31st July, indoor facilities, including bowls clubs can reopen from 10th August. This was on the basis that the containment and reduction of COVID-19 cases remained under control.

Any form of return to play will be subject to social-distancing and clubs must be confident they can implement appropriate safety measures and risk assessments. This is to ensure that they can comply and protect their staff, volunteers and members.

This guidance supplements the Welsh Government guidance and directives by covering situations specific to the sport of bowls. It is a live document and will be updated as Welsh Government advice changes.

BowlsWales and the National Governing Bodies are seeking to support those clubs that wish to reopen and members who would like to play, and to do so safely in accordance with the guidance set out by the Welsh Government.

This guidance is not a 'one size fits all' approach. Any guidance or recommendations made in this document will vary depending on each club. However, the responsibility for the reopening of bowling facilities rests solely with each club and this advice and guidance seeks to guide and support clubs through this process.

We appreciate bowling facilities vary across Wales and as such individual clubs should risk assess appropriately to ensure these procedures can be implemented. Key elements are needed to be considered and assessed to ensure the safety of the clubs and its members.

We have provided an example template risk assessment on the following link <https://bowlswales.com/covid-19/>.

Clubs can decide individually whether they wish to reopen having considered the Welsh Government advice and the risk assessment of their facilities.

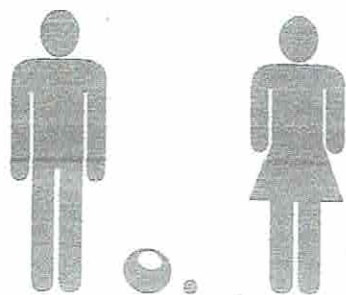
This guidance document contains the following Sections which will vary depending on each code of the game:

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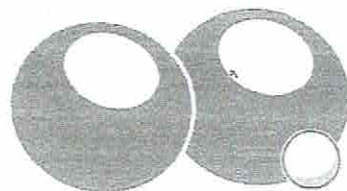
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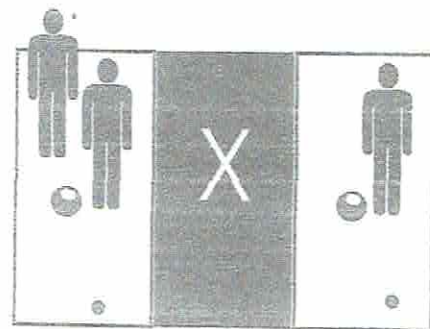
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Two or more players on a rink must observe social distancing at all times.



Players must use their own bowls



Possible use of alternative rinks, social distancing must be obeyed.



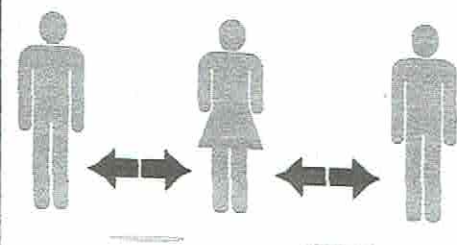
Only one player should handle the mat during the session (Must be wiped down after each use)



Two jacks (one at each end) should be used and this should be set by one player only throughout the session



Ensure that there is no physical contact with other players, including shaking hands



Social Distancing rules must be adhered to at all times



Use Public Health guidelines for Hygiene



Test, Trace & Protect - clubs should collect information on participants and/or staff during use of the facility.

Playing formats are in accordance with Welsh Government guidelines and are recommended by Bowls Wales and the National Governing Bodies

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