

Officials Code of Behaviour

National Umpire, Marker or Measurer



Bowls NSW is committed to the safety and well-being of all its Members and those who play lawn bowls throughout New South Wales. Bowls NSW is also committed to ensure that all participants in the sport are treated fairly and equally and they all have an equal opportunity to participate in the sport.

Bowls NSW requires all officials to acknowledge and adhere to this principle by agreeing to comply with a Code of Behaviour.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every human being.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Within the context of the activity, treat everyone equally regardless of gender, disability, ethnic origin or religion.
Ensure the athlete's time spent with you is a positive experience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All athletes are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
Treat each athlete as an individual.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each individual athlete.
Be fair, considerate and honest with athletes.	
Be professional and accept responsibility for your actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Language, manner, punctuality, preparation and presentation should display high standards.• Display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved with the sport- this includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators.• Maintain appropriate records.
Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain or improve your current NOAS accreditation• Seek continual improvement through performance appraisal and ongoing official education.
Operate within the Laws of the Sport, National policies Domestic policies, and Conditions of Play of Bowls NSW.	
Any physical contact with athletes should be:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate for the situation• Be necessary for the athlete's skill development.
Refrain from any form of personal abuse.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes verbal, physical and emotional abuse• Be alert to any forms of abuse directed towards others from any source
Refrain from any form of harassment towards athletes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This includes sexual and racial harassment, racial vilification and harassment on the grounds of a disability
Provide a safe environment for competition.	
Be a positive role model for your athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Both on and off the green