

CIRCULAR

No: C7/2023
Date: 28 April 2023
To: All Clubs
Re: Officials Accreditation Update



The State Umpires Committee (SUC) has committed to the re-accreditation of all Presenters and Assessors (P&As) over the coming months. Currently, the following areas have been allocated dates or periods for P&A re-accreditation courses:

- Zone 3 – Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th May 2023
- Zones 2, 6 & 15, Central Coast & Newcastle Districts – Thursday 18th, Friday 19th Saturday 20th May 2023
- Zone 8 – Early August 2023
- Illawarra Region – September 2023
- Zone 7 – October 2023.
- Metro – No dates confirmed at this stage.

Information regarding the North Coast, Far North Coast, Sydney Metro and Greater Sydney areas will be posted once the dates are confirmed.

In January 2023, it was discovered in the Officials database that some of the data had been corrupted, however, thanks to the hard work of the Bowls NSW staff the retrieval of the corrupt files and the setting up of new data is close to completion. Once the new database system is set up, the processing time for applications will be around two weeks. To maintain a prompt processing time of all applications, the following procedure has been put into place:

- i. All applications (Accreditations & Re-accreditations) for officials are to be sent to Bowls NSW via umpires@bowlsnsw.com.au The application forms must be completed including all the candidates' details and payment details.
- ii. The applications and payments will be processed by the staff at Bowls NSW. The staff will inform the SUC member for the candidates' area.
- iii. The SUC member will then contact a P&A in the candidates' area to arrange a time and place for the course to be conducted.
- iv. The P&A will email a P&A Advice Form to Bowls NSW once the course has been completed.
Please note: If the Clubs, Districts, or Zones do not follow the above-mentioned procedure, accreditations and re-accreditations will not be finalised.
- v. Bowls NSW will then process the P&A Advice Forms and forward the information to Bowls Australia.
- vi. The above-mentioned procedures will remain in place until a new website for an updated Officials process is launched later this year.



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Below is the SUC Members and their Mentor areas:

SUC Members	Area	Areas Covered include:
Alan Clarke & Sue Thurley	West	North, Central & South NSW
Gaye Scarfe	North	Central Coast to Far North Coast NSW
Bruce Goldsmith & Rob Reeve	South	Illawarra to Far South Coast NSW
Pam Hockings	Metro	Sydney Metro & Greater Sydney

The SUC understands the frustration felt by many bowlers seeking accreditation or re-accreditation, however, be reassured that the staff at Bowls NSW and the SUC are working extremely hard to ensure the waiting time, from the submission of applications to the conducting of the courses, will be as minimal as possible.

Should any member, Club, District or Zone have any queries on the process for accreditation or re-accreditation of Officials or questions relating to the laws of the sport, please send your query to umpires@bowlsnsw.com.au. Further information can be found on the Bowls NSW website under the "Get Involved" section.

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