



# NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BOWLING ASSOCIATION (ZONE 2) INC

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## NDBA ADVISORY COMMITTEE PAMPHLET NO.10

### DUTIES OF THE CONTROLLING BODY

This is intended as a guideline for those who perform the duties of the Controlling Body, other functions may be required of the Controlling Body for certain events or under certain circumstances.

This guideline has been divided into three sections; Pre-Match, During Match and After Match.

#### PRE-MATCH

- Before the commencement of play on any day the name(s) of the person(s) representing the Controlling Body and the Umpire(s) of the day should be announced.
- Being present at all times during the match, plus for a reasonable time before the start of play and after play finished.
- They ensure that Association Events are played in accordance with the RNSWBA Conditions of Play.
- They ensure that the dates of play for all events are set out, including provisions for rescheduling of matches which are delayed or postponed. Dates should be included on entry forms.
- They should ensure that the players, umpires and markers are aware of any non-standard playing conditions.
- They should ensure that an umpire has been appointed to officiate for the matches being played.
- They should ensure that there are markers in attendance for singles matches.
- Advising players of their eligibility for pre-match practice and the availability or rink space for that practice.
- They ensure that the rinks on which players are drawn to play are announced not less than 20 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time.
- They declare the position of a constituted member in a team to be vacant under condition listed in DR4, they can then authorise an eligible member to join that team as a replacement player.
- They can authorise one (or more) team in a side to play one player short if there is no eligible player of substitute available.
- They are responsible for ensuring that the player's attire is in accordance with the RNSWBA Regulations and Conditions of Play (or in line with the requirements for that event if not an Association Event).
- They decide when to start play if the weather is doubtful.
- They may, if circumstances warrant it, extend the time allowed for late arrivals.
- They can award the match to the opponent if a player, team or side fails to show or otherwise forfeits its match.

#### DURING MATCH

- They can warn the player involved if he is causing damage to the green, they can ask him to retire from the green and take no further part in the match (the Umpire may also do this).
- They can replace a marker whose performance of behaviour is less than acceptable standard.
- They can take action to have spectators refrain from disturbing, advising or interfering with players.
- They may allow variations in the position of players at both head and mat ends to facilitate viewing by spectators, or to assist television coverage.
- They can award the match to the opponent if advised by the Umpire that there has been an infringement of a law that requires a penalty.
- They decide when to abandon play for the day because of darkness, the conditions of the weather or any other valid reason.

#### AFTER MATCH

- They are the ones to whom the Umpire hands the set of bowls and the \$150 deposit if there has been a challenge to a set of bowls. They arrange to have the confiscated bowls tested. (see Law 52)
- They are the official to whom the appellant gives his written appeal and to whom the Umpire hands the deposit and his written report if there has been an appeal against the Umpire's application of the Laws.
- They receive an appeal against an Umpire's decision relating to the meaning or interpretation of a law or a given set of circumstances not covered in the Law Book. Such appeal may be lodged by the skip of either team, a singles player or the manager of a side and should be accompanied by a deposit of \$50. The appeal should be referred to the RNSWBA through the District/Zone (as applicable). Refer to Bowls Australia Appeals Policy. ([www.bowlsaustralia.com.au](http://www.bowlsaustralia.com.au))
- They ensure that any necessary closing announcements are made.