



BYE LAWS 2026

1 TITLE

Federation of Crown Green Bowls.

2 AIMS

The objects of the Federation shall be to organise and promote the game of Crown Green Bowls for any age or gender and actively encourage Inclusion and Diversity within our Sport. This by arranging and running Leagues and Competitions.

3 MEMBERSHIP

**Open to Areas and Districts t.o be approved by the Management Committee
Applications to be submitted to the Management Committee at any time.**

4 MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

Shall consist of elected Officer positions, ie President. Chairman . Vice Chairman Sec/Co-Ordinator . Youth and Junior Officer Auditor These along with Committee Members as required.

5 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (A) Will be held on 31st October each year .**
- (B) Subject to the receipt of any Notices of Motion or any Contentious Issues requiring our Members attendance. The AGM will take the form of e mail exchange including a Statement of Account together with Reports from all the Officers and Co-Ordinator on the Years Business.**
- (C) In order to conform to our Constitution Affiliates are required to acknowledge and approve or otherwise all topics on the Agenda.**

6 BYE LAWS AND EVENT RULES

- (A) Suggested alterations and or additions/deletions to these may be submitted by the Management and or Affiliates, and must be received at least 14 days prior to the AGM..**
- (B) The Management, whose decision shall be binding, shall decide any matter not provided for in these Bye Laws or Event Rule**
- (C) Affiliates need to register their players to the MB Results site and to include their BCGBA/County registration number**

(D) .Players need to have a connection to their Affiliate either in terms of Residence and /or play bowls in that approved District or Area

(E) Affiliates must have Public Liability Insurance in place .

7 FINANCE

(A) The year shall commence on 1st November and end the following October 31st

(B) The board shall decide fees. Affiliation fees and National League Fees shall be paid by the 31st March with others on request.

8 DISPUTES

Any Affiliate having a dispute may lodge their grievance with the Co- Ordinator within seven days of the problem detailing the substance of their complaint.

This will be dealt with by the the Officers and the Board as soon as possible and a decision made .

Affiliates also have the right to appeal.

9 Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedure

The Federation has formally adopted the R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Code of Conduct as advised by Sport England and Bowls Development Alliance.

We reserve the right to request that a Person/Player sign the document where in extreme cases we feel it necessary to do so before participating in any of our Events.

Furthermore should any Player/Person irrespective of whether the document is signed or not,be proven to be in breach of this Code of Conduct,the Federation Management will deal with the matter in the form of a

// Caution

// Reprimand

// Suspension

// Expulsion

This dependent on the severity of the proven Breach.

The decision to be made by E Mail by a majority of the Management Committee.

The Player/Spectator has the right to appeal within 14 days of any decision which will be dealt with by three Nominated Officers of the Federation and a response made within a further 14days.

Any Further Appeal with regards to an Expulsion would come under the Jurisdiction and Conditions of BCGBA and the matter would be reported to them.

10. FEDERATION SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY 2024 AND CODE OF CONDUCT.

The Federation recognises the developing range of Technologies used to interactively share,create and discuss issues and content as extremely positive,and encourages individuals and Groups to use Social Media to promote their Clubs,their achievements and the Sport of Crown Green Bowls,whilst being mindful of their responsibilities.

THE FEDERATION will challenge anyone using Social Media either intentionally or by association to insult, slander,create a risk to personal safety or abuse any Individual, Organisation or the Sport of crown green bowls.

This includes behaviour which is :

- Discriminatory**
- Abusive, obscene or otherwise offensive**
- Libellous or defamatory**
- In violation of any intellectual property rights (copyright)**
- In violation of any law or regulation**
- Bringing the FEDERATION or the game of bowls into disrepute**
- Targeting individuals whether for 'grooming' or the increasing instances of cyber bullying**

This policy provides guidance for Members, in aiding them to understand the acceptable standards in the use of social media in crown green bowls.

Reporting Concerns

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, as is creating and maintaining the high standards of behaviour expected of people within the world of crown green bowls or outside it.

The first point of contact will be the club Safeguarding Officer or Club Chairman. If it relates to a potential safeguarding issue, the matter must be reported to the Federation Safeguarding Officer .

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