



Biddenden Bowls Club Rules

The club rules set out how the club operates to allow for good management of the club and its facilities

POLICIES.

The Club has adopted the following policies and all members must comply with them:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.
- Adults at Risk Safeguarding Policy
- Privacy Notice
- Electronic Communication and Social Media Policy
- Equity Policy and Code of Ethics and Behaviour
- Health & Safety Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy

Copies of the policies are displayed in the club house and are available on the clubs website.

Club Colours - The Club colours are Green, Gold and Blue.

Club Year - runs from 1st April to 31st March. Annual Subscriptions are payable by 1st April or within 1 month of being accepted as a member of the club.

Annual Subscription for New Bowlers - New members who have not bowled previously, will not be required to pay the normal subscription for the playing year in which they join. This is intended to help offset the costs of taking up bowls e.g. purchase of bowls shoes, bowls and other equipment. New members who have previously been members of another bowls club which could include outdoor, crown green, indoor or short mat will be required to pay the normal subscription.

Smoking - Smoking and Vaping are not permitted in any area within the curtilage of the club.

Clothing - Members must wear bowls shoes, club shirts or white tops and grey trousers/skirts/three-quarters/tailored shorts unless all white has been stipulated when bowling in Friendly, League, County, National Knockout competitions or other matches (including club competitions).

At other times, including Thursday afternoon rollups/club nights, bowlers may wear casual clothes although regulation bowls shoes must always be worn.

Bowlers must change into their bowls shoes after they have arrived at the green to ensure that debris, gravel or harmful fungus are not taken onto the green.

Dogs - Dogs can be brought onto the green surrounds but must always be kept on a lead and must not be allowed onto the green or into any of the buildings. They must not be allowed to interfere with play in any way. Any fouling must be picked up and disposed of in a suitable receptacle away from the green and its surrounds.

Mobile Phones - When bowls is taking place on the green, mobile phones should be switched to silent or vibrate and should not be used on the green.

Suggestions - All suggestions shall be made in writing or by email and addressed to the Secretary or another committee member.

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