# RUGBY THORNFIELD OUTDOOR BOWLS CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

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#### **Section 1: Introduction**

1.1 Rugby Thornfield Outdoor Bowls Club, have, in conjunction with the Bowls Development Alliance and the National Governing Bodies of Bowls, set these standards that apply to everyone involved in the sport including staff, club officials, coaches, volunteers, players and spectators.

1.2 This Code of Conduct has been produced to protect everyone in the sport and to ensure that everyone can enjoy the sport of bowls in a safe and inclusive environment.

## Section 2: Key Principles of Respectful Behaviour

### 2.1 **R.E.S.P.E.C.T.**

Respect all participants and decisions

Encourage everyone

**S**portsmanship

Play for enjoyment

Educate and be knowledgeable

Conduct yourself courteously

Treat everyone fairly

2.2

<u>Do</u>	<u>Don't</u>
Respect all players, coaches, officials, volunteers and spectators.	Participate under the the influence of drugs or alchohol.
Participate in the right spirit - the sport should be fun at all levels.	Use foul, abusive, threatening or discriminatory language or gestures.
Take reasonable measures to keep yourself and others safe.	Show dissent towards officials and their decisions.

<u>Do</u>	<u>Don't</u>
Promote the sport in the best possible light through your actions and behaviour.	Discriminate on the grounds of any of the protected characteristics in the Equality Act 2010.
Abide by the rules/regulations of the sport, and any additional competition rules.	Publicly criticise or engage in demeaning descriptions of others, including online.
Abide by the policies of the sport and its National Governing Bodies.	Engage in any behaviour that constitutes abuse as identified in the Safeguarding Policy.
Speak to someone if you are concerned that any of this code is being broken.	Keep your concerns about abuse or poor practice secret.