

IF YOU OR ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS SHOWING SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 YOU SHOULD STAY AT HOME AND NOT PLAY

OBJECTIVES:

- Create a safe environment for players to enjoy bowling whilst observing social distancing.
- Provide clear guidelines for members to follow.
- To establish a phased return to bowling that is compliant with Government and Local Regulations and embraces any directive from National and International Bowling Authorities.

GENERAL:

Please remember to keep to the two metre rule both inside and outside the clubhouse and wear a mask while inside.

There is no access to the changing rooms, equipment shed and the main area of the Clubhouse. The only entry is via the main door. The back door is closed. The toilets are open.

The bar is closed. The kitchen bar will be open during matches and events. Cashless payments only.

If you are walking or cycling to the club you may leave your bowls and personal equipment in a small bag in the designated area of the clubhouse. If you are driving please bring your bowls each time you play. If you need a drink/snack please bring your own.

A table inside the clubhouse near the main entrance door will have playing equipment, disposable gloves, sanitiser and cleaning paraphernalia

Scoreboards and 2m poles should only be used for matches

Loan equipment is not permitted. Players must only use their own equipment.

Players should not share equipment, but if it is necessary to do so, then disposable gloves should be worn.

Only spray chalk is allowed to identify touchers.

Physical contact eg. handshakes / hugs are not permitted.

Gathering after the match around the area of the green is not permitted.

Spectators are not allowed. A maximum of twenty four people are allowed on the premises at any time.

Rinks must be booked via the website www.ashtead.bowler.co.uk

Singles with a marker, pairs or triples only – rinks matches are not permitted.

All players names should be entered when booking.

The green will be open for three sessions each day – 1.00pm, 3.30pm & 6.00pm. Sessions are for 2 hours 15 minutes. Please leave promptly.

Please come ready to play so that you only need to change your shoes on arrival.

Please use the toilets one at a time. Clean the toilet, the flush handles, door knobs and taps after use. Only toilet paper should be put down the pan. No paper towels or wipes.

DRESS CODE:

Casual play It is not necessary to wear bowls clothing but correct footwear is essential.

Formal play - Competition matches and club events (including ladies/mens/club evenings) Greys should be worn with correct footwear.

Before bowling

On arriving at the Club please first change your shoes, either using the benches under the awning or seats around the green or in your rink's allocated area. Remember to sit two metres apart.

After entering the clubhouse **wash your hands immediately**, in line with government recommendations.

Complete 'track & trace' form with your own pen/pencil or scan NHS QR code

All players should wear a disposable glove on their non bowling hand and use it to position the mat, jack and ditch markers for jack and/or live bowl (if required) during play. If you wish to use two different coloured jacks during play you must bowl your own colour **only** with your bowling hand.

Scoreboards should only be used for competitive play. They should be taken from the shed and used by number 2 of the home team only.

Please ensure that all bowlers in your session understand and adhere to the instructions.

During play

Players must stand and walk either side of the centre line for 2 metre social distancing.

Players must keep measuring to a minimum to avoid breaching social distancing. Judgement by eye should be the norm unless it is a close call and cannot be agreed.

Only use your own spray chalk

If you wish to keep a scorecard only one person must complete this using their own pen/pencil

Pushers – should be used by one person only at each end of the rink. In triples the team No 2s should use the pushers and they agree to take one end each to collect for the duration of the game. e.g. Team A second player uses their pusher for 1st, 3rd, 5th ... ends. Team B second player uses their pusher for 2nd, 4th, 6th Ends.

After play

Clean and replace all the equipment used (instructions on the table)

Remove your disposable glove (if used) and dispose of it in an appropriate receptacle

All players are advised to **wash their hands** in line with government recommendations

Change your shoes, pack your bag and remove all personal equipment from the bowls green area.

When you are ready to leave please take a couple of wipes and clean everything you have touched – wc door handles, door handles to lobby and main doors, door hook, keypad, gates latch and railings. Take the used wipes home

Covid -19 Protocol - Bowlers Do's and Don'ts for resuming play

DO

- Come dressed in appropriate clothing. It will only be permissible to change your shoes in the bowling area
- You should wear a glove on your non bowling hand and handle the equipment (mat, jack, ditch markers for jack and/or live bowl (if required) with this hand.
- Remember to clean and stow all the equipment after play
- Stay 2 metres away from other players on your rink and at all times
- If possible please bring your own hand sanitiser for personal use.

DO NOT

- Attempt to gain access to the changing rooms, equipment shed, main area of the clubhouse or kitchen
- Set up or re-stow equipment without cleaning it first
- Touch other players equipment including measuring equipment.
- Ignore safe distancing at 2 metres during play.
- Make physical contact with any other club member e.g. shake hand/ hug.

PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL OUR MEMBERS.

THANK YOU.