



OPEN BOWLS POLICY

Open Bowls is classified as a competition that does not discriminate on age, gender, race, religion, culture or disability and accordingly:

- All Bowls SA Associations must provide an open pennant competition in all seasons as their primary competition, and if only one pennant competition is conducted by an Association it must be an open competition.

- Bowls SA Associations can only offer a single gender pennant competition, as a secondary competition, if an open competition is provided which meets the following criteria:
 - The open competition is the primary pennant competition for the Association, and while there is no stipulation on what day the open competition is to be offered it must be on a day and time that is suitable to the majority of the male and female membership and the best bowlers.

Member Clubs that are members of a non-compliant Association need to be aware that their members could ultimately be liable, without the support of Bowls SA, to resolve, in time and financially, any claim lodged with the Equal Opportunity Commission by a disgruntled member who believes they have been disadvantaged by non-compliance of the Association.

Associations and Member Clubs that are not prepared to abide by the Policies of Bowls SA may threaten their future affiliation.

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure that Bowls remains a sport for all into the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Easton".

Mark Easton
Chief Executive Officer
Bowls SA Inc.

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