

**BOWLS TARANAKI (INC.)**  
**Code of Conduct for Representative Players, Selectors and Managers**

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**OBJECTIVES**

- (1) To state plainly the way in which players chosen to represent Bowls Taranaki are expected to conduct themselves as its representatives and the consequences of any breach of the expected standards of behaviour.
- (2) To ensure that players so chosen are aware of the standards expected and the consequences of breaching those standards.
- (3) To deal with any grievances arising from any direction made of, or given to a player by the Team Manager.

**GENERAL**

This Code of Conduct is to be followed on all occasions and in all places where the player can be seen or perceived to be a representative of Bowls Taranaki and includes:

- (1) The venue of play which means the green, surrounds and clubhouse of the place where the player is about to, or is competing or has competed.
- (2) Where the place of competition is out of Taranaki this includes the period from departure from and returning to Taranaki and applies equally to any accommodation provided or social activities during that period.

**Code of Commitment:**

Total commitment to Bowls Taranaki or Bowls New Zealand for the bowling season.

**PLAYER'S OBLIGATIONS**

- 1 The Competition** - To maintain at all times a high standard of sportsmanship and fair play. This will of necessity include:
  - (a) Always playing to the best of his/her ability and where appropriate to perform as part of a team;
  - (b) Abiding by the Laws of the Game, its Regulations and the Conditions of Play specified by the Controlling Body;
  - (c) Respecting and accepting without question any ruling given by the Umpire (subject to any right of appeal given by the Laws);
  - (d) Not to take any performance enhancing drug and in comply with any regulations adopted by Bowls New Zealand in regard thereto;
  - (e) Present him/herself for competition in an acceptable physical and mental condition and standard of appearance;
  - (f) Maintain towards opponents an attitude of respect and politeness.
- 2 Other occasions** -  
To refrain from -
  - (a) **any behaviour** or misconduct as defined by the Bowls New Zealand Constitution which might reflect unfavourably on the game, Bowls Taranaki, the team or its management, or which might bring any other player or official of Bowls Taranaki into disrepute;
  - (b) **making any comment** to the media relating to the representative team or the event without prior permission of the Centre Board, and in particular any public announcement or media comment that might bring the game into disrepute;

- (c) any discriminatory practices based on race, religion, ethnic background or special ability/disability bowlers.

**3 Abide by -**

- (a) and comply with all directions of the Team Manager and Bowls Taranaki;
- (b) accept and act upon any judgment or decision of the Team Manager or any other duly appointed official of Bowls Taranaki as to any unacceptable behaviour;
- (c) the requirements of Bowls Taranaki and the Team Manager as to dress including Sponsor's logos;
- (d) and accept that the representative uniform is for strictly personal use and no part is to be given away to or worn by any other person who is not entitled to wear it as a selected representative of Bowls Taranaki. The uniform to be returned to their team manager.

**4** Respect the tournament officials, volunteers, officers, members and staff of any Club at which the event is being or has been played.

**5** Respect the officers and officials of Bowls New Zealand and Bowls Taranaki.

**6** By representing Bowls Taranaki I give permission to be photographed and for the fair use of images by Bowls Taranaki for the promotion of the sport of Lawn Bowls. I allow Bowls Taranaki to edit, alter, copy, or distribute the photos for social media advertising and marketing. I agree that the photos belong to Bowls Taranaki Inc. and I understand that I will not receive any monetary compensation.

**Responsibilities of Team Manager and Team Officials**

- (1) To support responsibly the Players while at the same time ensuring that any potential breach of this Code of Conduct is drawn to the attention of the player concerned.
- (2) Where the Team Manager or responsible official is satisfied that a breach of this Code of Conduct has occurred to take responsible and appropriate action.
- (3) Report on any breach of this Code of Conduct which has come to his/her attention to Bowls Taranaki.

**Serious breach of Code of Conduct**

- (1) If the Team Manager, having heard any explanation that the player concerned may proffer, is satisfied that the player is in serious breach of this Code of Conduct the Team Manager may withdraw that player from the representative team and may require him/her to return home at the player's own expense.
- (2) Any player who is dissatisfied by any action of the Team Manager in relation to this Code of Conduct may require Bowls Taranaki to inquire into the conduct in question.

**This Code of Conduct which has been adopted by Bowls Taranaki, requires every Player selected to represent Bowls Taranaki, the Team Manager and Selector appointed by Bowls Taranaki, to sign their acceptance of its terms.**

Name of Player

.....Signature.....

(please print)

Date     /     /

Name of Team Manager/ Selector:

.....Signature.....

Date     /     /