



The Crouch Bowling Club

Rules and Procedures

Specific club Rules and Procedures which Members agree to abide by when applying for Membership and/or Renewal of Membership. Anything not mentioned below will be as prescribed by Bowls England for Bowling Clubs.

1. All full Members of the Club must hold a full season ticket issued by the Lewes District Council or its authorised agent.
2. Members of the Club shall remain in Membership on a year-on-year basis provided rule 1 is complied with.
3. Team selection for league matches will be by the Men's and Ladies' Captains and Vice Captains and will be selected from those who have put their names on the match sheet and who, in the opinion of the Team Selectors, are the strongest teams.
4. Team selection for men's matches will be by the Men's Captain and Vice-Captain and will be selected on a basis designed to give every man an equal opportunity to play in both home and away matches.
5. Team selection for ladies' matches will be by the Ladies' Captain and Vice-Captain and will be selected on a basis designed to give every lady an equal opportunity to play in both home and away matches.
6. Team selection for mixed matches will be by both the Men's and Ladies' Captains and will be selected on a basis designed to give everyone in the club an equal opportunity in both home and away matches.
7. Team selection for Edward Rowland, Men's County and Men's National competitions will be by the Men's Captain, Vice-Captain, Competition Secretary and one member elected at the AGM. The Selection Committee will appoint a chairperson who will have a casting vote where required. Teams will be selected to consist of members who, in the opinion of the selectors, constitute the strongest team.
8. Team selection for Gladys Rowland, Ladies' County and Ladies' National competitions will be by the Ladies' Captain, Vice-Captain and two members elected at the AGM. The Selection Committee will appoint a chairperson who will have a casting vote where required. Teams will be selected to consist of members who, in the opinion of the selectors, constitute the strongest team.
9. Members selected for scheduled matches shall be required to confirm their availability at least 24 hrs before the time of the match by initialling their name on the team sheet or by contacting the Captain of that game by telephone; failure to do this might in the discretion of the Captain of that game, result in a substitution being made without notification to such selected member.
10. When each match is selected the Captain will nominate three members who have been selected to play to attend at the green not later than one hour before the starting time of the match to lay out the green. In the event that such nominated member is unable to do this he or she shall arrange a suitable replacement.



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11. After their first year, all full members shall be required to assist with the provision of teas for scheduled matches and to undertake occasional cleaning duties if allocated, excluding if serving on the Committee or having exempted themselves on medical grounds. The rotas will be displayed in the Club House at the commencement of the season. In the event that a member is unable to carry out such duties as listed it is their responsibility to arrange a suitable replacement.
12. On all occasions when members are on the green, they shall be required to dress as follows:
 - a. **Scheduled Men's & Mixed Matches** – Club shirts and white long trousers or tailored white shorts or white crop trousers or white skirt and bowls shoes.
 - b. **Club Competitions** – White shirts (collared or polo shirts with sleeves) grey trousers or tailored grey or white shorts or grey skirts and white, and bowls shoes. For the finals of Club Competitions club shirts, white trousers or skirts and bowls shoes.
 - c. In aggregate, evening league matches or roll ups the dress will be as club competitions above.
 - d. If jumpers or cardigans or waterproof or headgear are necessary these must be predominately white.
 - e. **Scheduled Ladies' Matches** – as Men's & Mixed Scheduled Matches plus blue cardigans or blue fleece.
 - f. County matches or competitions as required by County and confirmed by Captains.
 - g. All bowling shoes should conform to the current Bowls England regulations.
 - h. No jeans allowed on the green at any time.
 - i. Please ensure you have club stickers on your bowls, these are available from the Bar Secretary.
 - j. No mobile phones on the green at any time.
13. When club away matches are selected the selectors will nominate drivers to take other players to the match. The selectors will nominate players to travel with each driver and a schedule of drivers and passengers will be attached to the match sheet. Such players must contact their nominated driver at least 24 hrs before the match to agree a time when the passenger will be collected from their home.
14. When an application for membership is received the applicant is accepted in the club to enjoy the facilities subject to the appropriate membership fee having been received.
15. The appropriate Captain will meet the applicant to explain the rules and procedures of the club.



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16. A "Bar Manager", who is appointed by the Committee, shall be in charge of the purchase and supply of drinks from the Bar. The Bar Manager will report to the Committee any matters arising concerning the supply of drinks and the Committee will ensure that the Bar Manager is following the club rules on the supply of alcohol.
17. Rules for the Bar.
 - a. Alcoholic Drinks can be served between the hours of 10:00 am and 10:00 pm Monday to Sunday.
 - b. All people who supply drinks must be on the Bar Team or the Committee and must be members over the age of 18 years.
 - c. Proof of ID is required for all those buying alcoholic drinks who are believed to be under the age of 25 years.
 - d. Alcoholic drinks will only be served to those over the age of 18 years.
 - e. All drinks purchased must be consumed on the premises and no other supply of alcohol, other than as above, on club premises will be permitted.
 - f. Alcoholic drinks will only be served to members of the club and their guests.
 - g. No drinks glasses of any sort allowed on the green or grounds unless in the designated area, as shown on the drawing in the bar.
18. No member of the Club can derive any pecuniary benefit from involvement in any club activities.
19. With effect from 12th April 2023, pictures, awards, posters and information notices can only be added to the Main Club Room walls or Club Notice Boards if they are approved by the current Committee and reviewed annually for relevance.