



MEMBERSHIP Policy

A. BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- Coaching programs & clinics
- Officiating programs & clinics
- Development clinics
- Bowls Sask club grants
- Bowls Sask funding for individual Bowls Sask members
- Access to some insurance through Bowls Sask's insurance policy
- May participate (exceptions identified in the Sport for All Policy) in any sanctioned Bowls Sask or club run events (tournaments, provincial championships, developmental clinics, etc.). Participants in these events must adhere to all Bowls Sask policies and/or club policies.

B. MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

1. Affiliated Clubs - All outdoor and short mat clubs who have been granted affiliated club membership status by Bowls Sask and who have paid the annual membership fees for all their members to Bowls Sask. These clubs must conform to the Bylaws and Policies of the Association as herein described.

2. Members of Affiliated Clubs – All members of affiliated clubs who have paid the club membership fee, which includes the Bowls Sask membership fee, to their clubs. Every member of each club shall uphold and comply with the Bylaws and Policies of the Association as herein described.

C. APPLICATION FOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP

1. Application for Club Membership

Each club desiring admission to the Association shall make application in writing to the office of the Association. The application must include the following information:

- a. The name of the club.
- b. The name, address and telephone number of the club president.
- c. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of its current club Board of Directors.
- d. A membership list which must include: name, address, phone, email, age category, gender and membership type. Age categories are as follows: 0-12, 13-19, 20-34, 35-55, 55+

The club must stipulate in writing that it agrees to be governed by the Bylaws and Policies of the Association.

2. Admission of New Clubs

The submitted application for membership shall be reviewed by the Bowls Sask Board of Directors via the office of the Association. The Board of Directors shall have full power to accept or reject the application of any eligible club. Upon acceptance, a club shall be received into the Association and shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a member club.

3. Withdrawal from Club Membership

Any member club wishing to withdraw from the Association may do so by forwarding a written notice to the Bowls Sask office.

A club wishing to reapply for membership after having withdrawn may do so by following the procedure for admission of new clubs.

4. Suspension or Expulsion from Club Membership

The Board of Directors of the Association may suspend or expel a member club from taking part in any of the activities of the Association. A member club may be suspended or expelled for continuous breach of the Bylaws, Policies, and as outlined in the Safe Sport Policy Manual.

If a member club fails to pay its membership fees by the due date, such club shall be suspended until the dues are paid.

A member club shall have the right of appeal to the Board of Directors and/or at a General or Special meeting of the Association, and any decision thereafter shall be binding.

5. Reinstatement of Club Membership

Any club which has been expelled may reapply for membership after a period of one year from the date of expulsion.

C. MEMBERSHIP FEES

In order to be a member in good standing with Bowls Saskatchewan, each person must adhere to the Bylaws and Policies of the Association and join in one of the following categories and pay the applicable membership fee:

Athlete, Coach, or Official	\$30
Youth Athlete	\$25
Short Mat Member	\$15

D. MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE

Each outdoor club must submit their membership list to Bowls Sask by May 31 and again June 30 annually to register all of its members. Clubs must pay the corresponding membership fees by August 15 of each year. Additional members can be added throughout the year with subsequent membership fees submitted promptly.

Each short mat club must submit their membership list to Bowls Sask by December 31 annually to register all of its members. Clubs must pay the corresponding membership fees by January 15 of each year. Additional members can be added throughout the year with subsequent membership fees submitted promptly.

A membership list must include: name, address, phone, email, age category, gender and membership type. Age categories are as follows: 0-12, 13-19, 20-34, 35-55, 55+

The term of membership for a member of an affiliated club shall begin with the payment of the Bowls Saskatchewan membership fees to an affiliated club and shall continue until the end of the membership year for the affiliated club.

E. INSURANCE

Each member of Bowls Sask (clubs and individuals) will automatically be included in the Bowls Sask Liability and Accident Insurance policy. Only registered Bowls Sask members will have accident insurance for attending any 'sanctioned events'. See Sanctioning Policy for information on how to sanction events.

F. CLUB GRANTS

1. MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MAP) GRANT

All member clubs are entitled to receive funding under the Membership Assistance Program grant as administered by Sask Sport and Saskatchewan Lotteries. See the Finance Policy for criteria and forms.

2. CLUB COACHING HOURS GRANT

All member clubs are entitled to receive funding under the Club Coaching Hours Grant. See the Finance Policy for criteria and forms.

3. TOURNAMENT OR CLINIC FACILITY RENTAL

Clubs that host Bowls Sask events will receive a fee for facility rental, greenskeeper and drawmaster services. It is the club’s decision on how this fee is distributed. The Fee Schedule can be found in the Sport for All Policy. The Bowls Sask Expense Claim Form (see Finance Policy) must be submitted, accompanied by the Participant List and Results Form (see Sport for All Policy).

4. TOURNAMENT OR CLINIC TRAVEL GRANT

Travel Allowance grants will be paid to Bowls Sask members who travel to attend specific events (i.e. the Grassroots Tournament, Development Clinics, etc.). Eligible events and amounts can be found in the Sport for All Policy. Clubs must submit the Tournament and Clinic Fund Record Form (see Sport for All Policy) at the end of the event, listing all participants who attended. Athletes eligible for a travel grant must submit the Bowls Sask Expense Form to be reimbursed (see Finance Policy). Deadline for submission of all expense claims is September 30 (outdoor) or March 15 (short mat).

G. DEADLINES

MAP Spending Plan	Outdoor	August 31
	Short Mat	December 31
MAP Follow-up Report (w receipts)	Outdoor	January 31
	Short Mat	March 1
Club Membership Lists	Outdoor	May 31 and June 30
	Short Mat	December 31
Club Membership Fees	Outdoor	August 15
	Short Mat	January 15
Tournament & Clinic Travel Grant	Outdoor	September 30
	Short Mat	March 15
Club Coaching Hours Grant	Outdoor	October 31
	Short Mat	March 15
Grey Cup Tickets		November 10
Award of Merit Nominations		December 31
Tournament Expense Form		Immediately following event

Add a club registration form as separate document