



SANCTIONING Policy

INTRODUCTION

A sanctioned event is an event, tournament and/or activity that has received formal approval from the governing body of the sport, Bowls Saskatchewan.

For insurance purposes, the insurer requires knowledge of the Bowls Sask and club events that have been sanctioned by Bowls Sask. Bowls Saskatchewan will provide liability and accident coverage only for sanctioned lawn bowling events, tournament and activities involving clubs and members in good standing who have fulfilled the following membership/registration requirements:

- have registered all of their individual members by submitting required documentation and fees by the set deadlines
- continue to register all new members throughout the year's program of activities
- have completed and received approval from Bowls Sask for their club's Sanction Request Form.

Bowls Saskatchewan will not provide liability and accident coverage for any non-Bowls Sask members attending a Bowls Sask sanctioned event (waivers must be signed by all non-members).

General and 3rd party participant liability insurance coverage is supplied to member clubs and their individual members as part of their Bowls Sask membership. Clubs and members are required to inform the Bowls Sask Board of any and all possible liability claims which may arise.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Clubs who do not meet the sanctioning/membership requirements will not be provided insurance coverage for any club events and participation of their members in any events in or out of province until proper documentation and approval has been received.
- Bowls Sask insurance does not cover non-sanctioned activities.
- Private rentals of a club's facility are NOT eligible for sanction. The renter should have their own insurance.
- All regular lawn bowling activities (daily draws, daily training/drop ins, league bowling, in-club tournaments, Open House, Opening Day, National Bowls Day, Canada Day, Wind-up Day, in-club clinics/demos are deemed sanctioned as part of the Sanction Request Form, provided that the club meets the sanctioning standards and follows membership and coaching certification policies.
- Club open tournaments and open clinics must be sanctioned by listing them on a Sanction Request Form to obtain approval from Bowls Sask.
- Social events and fundraising events must be sanctioned by listing them on a Sanction Request Form to obtain approval from Bowls Sask.
- Clubs will determine who can participate, the format, the conditions of play and the entry fee, if any, for all their events.
- Sanction Request Forms for hosting of events will be accepted throughout the year.
- Clubs must request sanctioning for all events involving members from their club and participants from outside their club.
- Clubs do not require sanctioning for their members to participate in and travel to the Canadian National Championships or if hosting a Canadian National Championship.
- Bowls Sask will not sanction requests for their members to participate in competitions/clinics outside the province however registered members continue to have accident insurance.
- By sanctioning an event, Bowls Sask recognizes that the host club will meet the following standards:
 - a. that the event is conducted in a safe manner
 - b. that equipment is safety inspected on a regular basis and is appropriate for the age and level of the participants
 - c. that host adheres to Bowls Sask's Code of Conduct, Ethics and Safe Sport policies
 - d. that an emergency plan is in place with a designated control person to handle serious incidents
 - e. that there are proper first aid supplies.