



# MSBL Code of Conduct

## Players Teams and Clubs

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour within the game of Crown Green Bowls. Our game is an equal ability sport and teams are made up of players from a wide age group with different backgrounds and abilities. We all have a responsibility to respect each other on and around the green whilst ensuring everyone is protected from abuse and intimidation, ensuring that each person continues to enjoy participating and watching our sport.

As part of competing or spectating within MSBL fixtures and competitions you will at all times be expected to observe the MSBL Code of Conduct.

### On and off the bowling green, I will:

- Adhere to the laws of the game.
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour.
- Encourage fair play.
- Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language.
- Never engage in bullying, intimidation or harassment.
- Never engage in public criticism of league officials, match referees or opponents.
- Always win or lose with dignity.
- Always shake hands with my opponent at the beginning and end of every game.

### I understand that if I do not follow the MSBL code of conduct I may:

- Be required to apologise to the other player, team or club.
- Be required to explain my actions to the MSBL.
- Be fined by the MSBL.
- Be suspended from playing within the MSBL and its competitions.
- Be banned from participating in all MSBL activities.

## Social Media

Social Media is increasingly playing a wider role within the non playing aspect of Crown Green Bowling and is very important in promoting the MSBL along with the social aspect of the game amongst the wider bowling community.

### I understand that if I do not observe the MSBL code of conduct whilst utilising social media I may:

- Be barred from using MSBL social media sites.
- Be suspended from playing within the MSBL.
- Be banned from participating in all MSBL activities.

### In addition:

The SCGBA\BCGBA could impose a fine or suspension to players, teams or clubs.

This Code of Conduct will be managed by the MSBL Disciplinary Committee.