



## **ARDENTINNY BOWLING CLUB**

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Ardentinny Bowling Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members, ensuring a positive and enjoyable experience for all. Bowls is a sport built on strong traditions of fairness, respect, and friendship. It should be played not only in line with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, but also in the true spirit of the game and in keeping with the values promoted by Bowls Scotland. Everyone involved—players, officials, volunteers, coaches, and supporters—shares the responsibility for maintaining and promoting these principles.

By being part of our Club, everyone agrees to uphold these principles. Together, we commit to creating a positive and supportive environment where everyone can enjoy the sport and thrive.

As a member of Ardentinnny Bowling Club you are expected to abide by the following points:

- Treat everyone with courtesy and respect, regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity, as per our Equality Statement.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Celebrate and congratulate good play and positive behaviours. Always demonstrate good sportsmanship, win or lose.
- Help create a safe and inclusive space for all, ensure you notify Club management of any unsafe conditions.
- Ensure adequate supervision of Under 18s, ensure the right number of adults are present based on the children's age, group size, the activity and their specific needs.
- Report safeguarding concerns promptly to our Club Safeguarding Officer.
- Do not post online content that could bring you, our Club, County Association or the sport into disrepute.
- Encourage everyone to enjoy sport and understand that people have different motivations for taking part.
- All members must take responsibility in ensuring they are up to date with the rules, understand and adhere to them.
- Members must wear suitable footwear on the green.
- Dress suitably for club events and activities.
- All members must respect officials and publicly accept their decisions.

## **Acceptance**

By having received a hard copy of this code of conduct when joining or renewing your club membership, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to abide by Club policies. These were provided digitally to all members by the Club Secretary, and are available as a hard copy at the Clubhouse.

Furthermore, it is also expected that you will adhere to the following Bowls Scotland policies and where applicable to your position within the club the following Bowls Scotland codes of conduct;

- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Mobile Phone Policy
- Social Media Policy
- Players Code of Conduct
- Coaches Code of Conduct
- Code of Conduct for working with children (PVG required)
- Parent/Carers Code of Conduct
- Spectators Code of Conduct
- Officials/Volunteers Code of Conduct

These can be found on the [Bowls Scotland website](#), with hard copies available at the Club.

## **Breaches of Conduct**

The Club takes breaches of this Code seriously. If behaviour falls short of these expectations and a complaint is made, the club discipline procedures policy will be followed.

## **Photographic / Media Consent**

If you take part in events and activities held at the club, we presume that we have your consent to the use of such images that include you. These images may be used for promotional purposes of the Club on social media or in the press. If you do not wish us to publish content where you are present, then please advise a committee member.