

# **BRADLEY STOKE BOWLS CLUB**

**Baileys Court Activity Centre, Baileys Court Road, Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 8BH**

## **HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY & GUIDANCE**

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

Bradley Stoke Bowls Club has a duty of care to safeguard its members and its Health & Safety Policy forms an integral part of that process. The general policy is:-

- To provide adequate control of the health and safety risks arising from bowling activities.
- To consult with members on matters affecting their health and safety
- To provide and maintain a safe playing environment and equipment
- To ensure that coaches and other volunteers are competent to do their tasks, and are given adequate training where appropriate
- To prevent accidents
- To maintain a safe and healthy environment
- To review and revise this policy annually or sooner if necessary

### **Risk Assessments**

In order to discharge its responsibilities, the Club's Health & Safety Officer will assess the risks using the following five steps:-

- Step 1 – Look for the hazards
- Step 2 – Decide who might be at risk
- Step 3 – Evaluate the hazards and risks and decide whether the existing precautions are adequate or require adjustment
- Step 4 – Record the findings
- Step 5 – Review the assessment annually or sooner if necessary

### **Good Practice**

It is always good practice for individuals to:-

- Familiarise themselves with the location of the First Aid Box and accident book situated in the office
- Familiarise themselves with the Club's Emergency procedures displayed at appropriate points around the premises
- Check the 'green' they use is safe and free from obstacles and raise any concerns with the Captain of the day
- Check that all personal equipment is kept in a good state of repair

### **Safeguarding**

The Safeguarding Officer's role is to safeguard the welfare of children and at risk adults participating in the Club's activities.

### **Covid-19**

The Club is committed to the protection of its members' health. Taking advice from Bowls England and in liaison with the Town Council the Club has produced a risk assessment and a set of procedures 'Bowling during Covid-19 Pandemic' for members to follow. They are based on the principles of sanitising hands and equipment as well as maintaining social distancing. The risk assessment and procedures will be kept under constant review during the playing season.

**IF YOU REQUIRE FURTHER ADVICE/INFORMATION REGARDING HEALTH & SAFETY PLEASE**

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