

ALERT LEVEL 3: Recommendations for Bowling Clubs

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Key Government Measures	Bowls NZ Internal Measures (and recommendations for Bowls Centres)	Bowls NZ Measures for those Bowling Clubs that believe that they can operate in a LOW RISK manner.
People instructed to stay home in their bubble other than for essential personal movement – including to go to work, school if they have to or for local recreation.	Bowls NZ office shut – ALL staff working from home.	Practice bowls (single person or within bubble) ONLY.
Physical distancing of two metres outside home (including on public transport), or one metre in controlled environments like schools and workplaces.	All Bowls NZ events and competitions postponed or cancelled	No use of bowling club mats or jacks
Bubbles must stay within their immediate household bubble but can expand this to reconnect with close family / whanau, or bring in caregivers, or support isolated people. This extended bubble should remain exclusive.		All clubrooms / toilets will be closed
Schools (years 1 to 10) and Early Childhood Education centres can safely open but will have limited capacity. Children should learn at home if possible.		Any person using the club green <u>MUST</u> email the club advising of their time / date of use, <u>IN ADVANCE.</u>
People must work from home unless that is not possible.	Bowls NZ will conduct all business via email / video conferencing / telephone.	<p>Bowlers should take sanitising wipes with them to wipe down gate entry, seats, etc.</p> <p>No water fountains to be used.</p> <p>Do not arrange to meet fellow club members at the green.</p> <p>Keep physical distancing of two metres.</p>

Businesses can open premises but cannot physically interact with customers.	Bowls NZ office shut - ALL staff working from home.	
Low risk local recreation activities are allowed.		Check first that your club greens are open - they may require maintenance and/or the club has made them off-limits.
Public venues are closed (e.g. libraries, museums, cinemas, food courts, gyms, pools, playgrounds, markets).		
Gatherings of up to 10 people are allowed but only for wedding services, funerals and tangihanga. Physical distancing and public health measures must be maintained.		
Healthcare services use virtual, non-contact consultations where possible.		
Inter-regional travel is highly limited (e.g. for essential workers, with limited exemptions for others).	Bowls NZ will conduct all business via email / video conferencing / telephone.	All club staff and/or volunteers should work from home with the exception of Greenkeepers. Greenkeepers may maintain their greens but must ensure they are operating in a safe manner and within Government and Ministry of Health guidelines.

People at high risk of severe illness (older people and those with existing medical conditions) are encouraged to stay at home where possible and take additional precautions when leaving home. They may choose to work.

Disclaimer: Bowls New Zealand are not experts on pandemics and therefore all NZ Government and Ministry of Health information, guidelines and directives supersede this information. We have created this set of guidelines to inform the bowls community as to how Bowls NZ is responding to Covid-19 and to provide recommendations as to what we believe is the best course of action for centres and bowling clubs.