



East Dorset Indoor Bowls Club Bye-Laws

General

1. The Club premises shall be open on playing days at a time to be decided by the Management Committee.
2. The Club premises shall be closed on Christmas Day and on such other days and times as the Management Committee may determine. At least 24 hours notice of closure shall be given on the notice board.
3. Neither the Club, nor any officer thereof shall be liable to any member, or guest of a member, for any loss of, or damage to any property occurring from whatever cause in or about the Club premises nor any injuries sustained by any member, or guest, whilst on, or entering or leaving the Club premises.
4. Members shall pay all expenses they have incurred before leaving the Club premises, and in the event of any article being broken or damaged by members the same shall (if required by the Management Committee) be paid for or made good by them.
5. No member shall take away any article belonging to, or held in trust by the Club, except on the authority of the Management Committee. In case of emergency the Secretary shall exercise such authority and report the action taken to the Committee.
6. Members shall not interfere with any controls of lighting, heating, or ventilation of the Club premises. These shall be operated only on the authority of a member of the Committee, Green Steward, or Staff.
7. No unauthorised person may enter the kitchen, snack bar area or either bar.
8. All gaming, namely, the playing of a game of chance for winnings in money, or money's worth on the premises, shall be prohibited, except gaming by members and their guests for small stakes in the playing of dominoes, cribbage, whist or bridge, and gaming which may normally take place on the Club premises and has been authorised by the Management Committee and shall include gaming by machine and bingo.
9. A lottery, for which the proceeds are to be applied to benefit of the Club, shall be promoted only by the person(s) authorised by the Management Committee.
10. Dogs are not allowed in the Club (except for Help Dogs)
11. A member shall not remove or make use of bowls, or other property, belonging to another member without the permission of that member.

Bowls

12. Play shall be under the World Indoor Bowls Council Laws of the Sport of Indoor Bowls. The Management Committee, under the discretion given by those laws, may modify them in respect of Club, league and other domestic conditions.
13. Members playing Representative matches for the East Dorset IBC shall wear Club whites, unless the team sheet states otherwise.
14. Green Fees shall be such as the Committee may from time to time prescribe.
15. All players shall wear approved (either by the Club or the EIBA) bowling shoes. They must NOT be worn when travelling to and from the Club and MUST be changed before and after a game in the changing rooms provided.

Bowlers must be dressed in whites above the waist with grey below the waist (NO JEANS AND ONLY TAILORED SHORTS) during all playing sessions, except where whites and/or Team Coloured shirts are specified for organised matches. Smart casual dress is permitted for Open Play.

16. Smoking, taking food and/or drink on the green is strictly forbidden, without exception. Glycerine is strictly forbidden but the use of grip additives on fingers is permitted. Chalk marker sprays/soft chalk only, are permitted.
17. Only the persons concerned in a game, shall enter on to the green.
18. Playing on the rinks allocated for general or competition play will normally be under control of the Green Steward on duty.
19. Open Play roll-ups of singles, pairs and triples can be converted into fours by the Green Steward, if the playing of the smaller number would involve leaving out members wishing to play in the session.
20. The allocation of rinks may be changed by the Green Steward where it is expedient to do so, such as saving electricity.
21. There will normally be no interval between sessions. Seven minutes before a session is due to end, a bell will sound and thereafter no further end shall be started.
22. Members wishing to play in matches shall insert their names on the lists posted on the notice board from time to time. The selected players shall tick their names to confirm availability. Any member who has not ticked their name by midday on the day preceding the match, will be replaced by another from the reserve list.
23. The use of the "HEAVY FIRING SHOT" on indoor greens can be both dangerous to persons and damaging to the green. There is no earth bank to absorb the shock and the jack can ricochet at an alarming speed. All players are asked to restrict the use of the firing shot, but if it is used, they MUST

inform all players in the immediate vicinity of their intention. On NO account should it be used during Open play or casual roll-ups.

Visitors

24. All persons being members of clubs affiliated to the E.I.B.A and their guests, visiting the Club premises, shall be permitted to enjoy the privileges of membership of the Club for the day of their visit.
25. A playing member may introduce a friend for a day, but the same person may not be introduced more than three times in any one season. Such a person may not purchase intoxicating liquor from the bar. The name and address of the visitor, together with the name of the introducing member shall be entered in the visitor's book situated in the Club vestibule, and the name of the playing visitor in the Alphabetical Register, held by the Green Steward, together with the date on which he or she played.
26. Except at the direction of the Committee, membership is restricted to persons not under the age of 17 years. Children, even when members, under the age of 17 shall not be admitted to the Club premises unless accompanied by their known Parent, Grandparent or a previously acknowledged Guardian.