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**TO: ALL DISTRICT SECRETARIES
ALL STANDING COMMITTEES**

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CONDITIONS OF PLAY

We have been receiving numerous requests from various parties regarding the use of approved shoes on bowling greens in South Africa. This matter is dealt with under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark Edition, paragraph 17.1. Further reference is made in the Domestic Regulations and General Conditions of Play clause 1.4 on page 8.

It is the policy of Bowls SA that "Crocs" footwear is not acceptable on the greens in South Africa for all Bowls SA tournaments. This includes their use by players, markers and technical officials.

We have no intention of being prescriptive on this matter in respect of Districts however you are encouraged to follow the policy of Bowls SA. Districts are free to formulate their own policy regarding the wearing of "Crocs" in tournaments under their control.

**John Ravenscroft
Operations Manager**

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