



Guidelines and Criteria Red Cards

Eligibility to Enter the U/19 Dev tournament, Bowls SA Scholar Membership Red Cards and Affiliation Fees

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER THE U/19 DEVELOPMENT TOURNAMENT

All under 19 players, either **affiliated** or who is registered as a ***Bowls SA Red Card Scholar Member** and have **not turned 20** on the first day of the U/19 Dev Tournament, are eligible to play in the tournament. (**All Red Card players have to be **scholars***)

Please note that no **unaffiliated player** will be accepted to participate at the U19 dev tournament, if the player's **Red Membership Card Number and ID** does not appear on the tournament entry form.

CRITERIA OF BOWLS SA SCHOLAR MEMBERSHIP CARDS

(The card itself carries no rights or obligations.)

1. PURPOSE - BOWLS SA SCHOLAR MEMBERSHIP CARDS

In order to get some structure and for data base purposes, Bowls SA introduced '**Red Scholar Membership Cards**' that can be issued to scholars under 20 years old participating in the Development Youth Bowls Programme.

This also indicates that the scholar bowler has made a certain commitment to the sport. It is also suggested that a fuss be made at the presentation of the card to the bowler, so that they can be proud of having achieved it and officially being part of the bowls organisation.

2. WHEN IS A BOWLS SA SCHOLAR MEMBERSHIP CARD ISSUED?

A red membership card is issued by the coach or club, after a scholar has had approximately **6 lessons** and knows the basics of playing the game.

3. ELIGIBILITY OF RED MEMBERSHIP CARDS

3.1 This entitles a scholar to be **coached** either individually or in a group at a club.

3.2 Red card players **may only** participate in games between themselves.

3.3 They **may not** play in **official club tab-in days** or participate in any other **competitions** on Club, District or National levels. They may only do so once they become **affiliated members** and have paid their annual subscriptions and affiliation fees.

3.4 The red membership card is only applicable for use at the club where the scholar is being coached unless accompanied by a coach or a member of a Development Standing Committee to play on the greens of another club against other Scholars or at the Under 19 Development tournament.

4. LEVIES

Affiliation and Club Membership Fees for Red Card players

Bowls SA has **waived the affiliation fees** for all scholars who participate within the Development Youth Bowls Programme.

It is up to the **District Executive to decide on affiliation fees within each district** - most districts have waived the affiliation fees for scholar bowlers.

It is up **to the clubs to decide on the scholars' green fees**. Many clubs have waived these fees as this project is seen as potential for the future.

The decision is left to Clubs and Districts to decide whether they want to impose levies or affiliation fees for Red Card players.

5. DATA BASE

A full register of each district's Bowls SA Scholar Membership Red Card holders must be sent to Bowls SA by the District Secretary annually for data base purposes with the following info:

District, name of club where scholar is registered, date of registration, name of scholar, ID number, school, grade and telephone numbers

District	Club	Date of registration	Surname	First Names	ID number	Home Tel	Cell no	Parents Tel	School	Grade
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With effect from 1 March 2010 each club will be able to load their red card players' particulars directly onto the Bowls SA Data Base register. Districts will be informed once this system has been implemented.

6. HOW TO APPLY FOR RED MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

Districts can order stocks of Bowls SA Scholar Red Membership Cards by e-mail directly from:

Mr Reg Misselhorn
Bowls SA Development Standing Committee
Tel Home: 043 745 2212 or Cell 083 422 3866
E-mail address: regm@prismlighting.co.za

7. REGISTRATION OF A NEW SCHOLAR BEFORE LESSON ONE COMMENCES

It is important to have each new Scholar's particulars. The Scholar must therefore complete an enrolment form to participate in the schools' development youth bowls programme on the **first day** the Scholar goes for coaching. This must preferably be done **before the Scholar goes on the green** for the first time. After ±6 lessons a Red Membership Card can be issued.