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TO: **ALL DISTRICT SECRETARIES**

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DISTRICT HEAD COACH

The establishment of a model for the Long Term Coach Development (LTCD) to ensure a uniform and holistic approach towards the development of District teams and emerging players and to create a structured performance pathway for coaches and players has evolved through intensive and ongoing consultation with SASCOC.

The long term core objectives for Players and Coaches have been established as:

- Enhance performance levels
- Create a structured performance pathway.
- To utilize cutting edge ethical sports technology to ensure performance.

The functions of the District Head Coach have been established as:

- To co-ordinate and conduct squad training in accordance with the High Performance SkillsTraining Programme.
- To take responsibility for TID assessments and submission to the National Standing Committee: Coaches (NSCC) Liaison Coach and to local Selectors.
- To evaluate players motor skills by means of "Dart Fish" technology.
- To take responsibility for the long term player career development in association with the District Selectors.

The requirements of a District Coach have been established as:

- A minimum coaching qualification of a District Coach (Level 2) but preferably an Academy Coach (Level 3) or an Elite Coach (Level 4).
- Computer literacy.
- Attendance at regional and national squad training camps when required.
- Co-ordinate activities with the District Standing Committee: Coaches (DSCC).
- Committed to the function for at least Three (3) years.

(Some Districts may not currently have access to these higher levels of coaches. There may however, be an excellent Club Coach (Level 1) available to perform the abovementioned duties who is acceptable to the squad members. These candidates would be required to attend a Level 2 upgrading course planned later this year).

The NSCC will be conducting a training course over the week-end of 18-20 November 2011 in Pretoria to qualify suitable candidates. The costs of this course shall be for the account of Bowls SA.

Districts are invited to nominate suitable candidates directly to Kallie Haupt on or before 31 August 2011. It would be appreciated if a Coaches CV could accompany the nomination. Districts will need to ensure that their candidates fulfill the requirements of the course before they appoint individuals to the post of Head Coach.

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