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**TO: ALL DISTRICT SECRETARIES  
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS  
MEDIA**

**CIRCULAR 5/2012**

**DRESS CODE – BOWLS SA EVENTS**

The Executive of Bowls South Africa finds it necessary to once again address the matter of team dress code regarding official events. A number of circulars have been issued in respect of shorts. Reference may be made to the following circulars.

- **Circular - 11/2010**
- **Circular - 52/2010**
- **Circular - 23/2011**

Individuals disrespect the ruling as detailed in circular 11/2010 and continue to wear shorts which are unacceptable to Bowls South Africa. **It has as a consequence been decided that in future should individuals arrive at official events wearing shorts which are in conflict with the Bye-Laws of Bowls South Africa they will be prevented from taking part in the event.**

In order to finally clarify the matter we repeat here below the acceptable definition of shorts and request that **Districts strictly implement the official dress code throughout South Africa.**

**Tailored Shorts (knee length) with pockets may be worn. (Under no circumstances shall Cargo, Combat, Denim or Rugby shorts be permitted). Ankle socks, predominately white must be worn with shorts. Long socks (golf hose) are not permitted.**

Shorts must be **knee length**. The shorts may be tailored with or without a front zip and may be worn with a belt or elastic top fastening.

The regulations regarding shorts apply to Men and Women.

**John Ravenscroft  
Operations Manager**

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