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**TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
PROVINCIAL PRESIDENTS
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MEDIA**

CIRCULAR 77/2024

Invitation to Apply for Level 1 Visually Impaired Directors Courses in 2024 - 2025

The VIBSA, with the help of LOTTO and NSCC has scheduled four Level 1 VI Directors Courses to be run during 2024 and early 2025.

If our Visually Impaired bowlers are well directed and can be assisted on and off the green with their bowls, we believe that we will continue to raise the standard of our Visually Impaired bowlers and enable many more Visually Impaired people to get involved in playing bowls. The NSCC is delighted to invite applications for one of the four courses to be run around South Africa in 2024 and early 2025.

The courses are scheduled tentatively as follows:

Western Province	26 th and 27 th October 2024	closing 15 th October
Eden	19 th and 20 th November 2024	closing 29 th October
KwaZulu Natal	18 th and 19 th January 2025	closing 7 th January
Gauteng	3 rd and 4 th April 2025	closing 18 th March

There are no pre-requisites for applying other than a real passion to assist the Visually Impaired bowlers and to commit yourself to working with at least one Visually Impaired bowler for the next year.

A non-refundable application fee per candidate of R250-00 is normally required (see Bowls circular 13/2019). Due to the support of VIBSA from **LOTTO (NLC)** this fee along with additional assistance will be waived. However, if a candidate withdraws from the course after being accepted the candidate will be liable for the costs incurred for them. Districts and clubs are encouraged to support and to assist candidates as they can be a great asset to the District and the Club. VIBSA, through the LOTTO funds, will also cover the costs of teas, lunches and green fees at the venue – all other costs are for the candidate (or the District or Club).

Applicants wishing to attend any of the courses should contact Michelle Eshun on michelle.jacobs2@westerncape.gov.za or cell 074 487 8917 to book their place.

Please note that should there be less than 8 applications, the relevant course will be cancelled and only offered again at a later date.

For any further enquiries, please contact Cedric Summersgill at bepced@gmail.com - cell no 083 442 8114

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