Revisions to the ‘Laws of the Sport – Crystal Mark Third Edition’

The ‘Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark Third Edition’ was approved at a World Bowls Council Meeting in August 2014. Subsequent revisions to the Third Edition were approved at World Bowls Council Meetings in December 2016 and April 2018.

World Bowls Council Meeting – December 2016

The following revisions were approved.

Law D2

Bias side of a bowl: the side of the bowl that is the more rounded of the two sides, which is identified by the small grooved rings surrounding its centre.

Law 52.1.3

Each set of bowls can carry a player’s individual emblem, logo or engraving as a distinguishing mark on both sides of every bowl.

52.1.3.1 The distinguishing marks must be the same design and colour on each bowl, but can be different in size.

52.1.3.2 The distinguishing mark on the bias side of the bowl must be inside the smallest grooved ring surrounding its centre.

52.1.3.3 If there are grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side, the distinguishing mark must be inside the smallest ring.

52.1.3.4 If there are no grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side, the distinguishing mark must be inside the indentations designed to help the player grip the bowl during delivery.

52.1.3.5 As well as the distinguishing marks, each set of bowls can carry a player’s name or signature. Imprints on the running surfaces of bowls must be avoided.

Law 52.1.8.4

all bowls belonging to players within a team or side must have these markings on them and the markings must all be the same design and colour. However, players may use markings which are different in size from those used by other players in their team or side where this is necessary due to differences in the sizes of either the manufacturers’ rings or the distinguishing marks on the bowls.

Law 53.1

Licensed Manufacturers and Licensed Testers are entitled to imprint the registered World Bowls Stamp on the bias side of bowls. Imprints on the running surfaces of bowls must be avoided wherever possible.
World Bowls Council Meeting – April 2018

The following revisions were approved.

**Law 52.1.6.1**

52.1.6.1 measure between 112 millimetres and 134 millimetres across at their widest points; and

**Law 52.1.7.1**

52.1.7.1 measure between 112 millimetres and 131 millimetres across at their widest points; and