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**No: Memo 365.20 and C14/2020**  
**Date: 13 June 2020**  
**To: Zones/Regions, Districts & Clubs**  
**Re: JOINT ADVICE FROM WOMEN'S BOWLS NSW AND BOWLS NSW REGARDING  
EASING OF RESTRICTIONS COMMENCING 13 JUNE**

**THIS ADVICE SUPERSEDES ALL PREVIOUS ADVICE**

The NSW State Government has announced further easing of restrictions commencing today, 13 June 2020. These changes have now been legislated.

The changes, from previous restrictions, include:

- No more than 20 persons per green
- This does NOT INCLUDE any staff or officials
- Any persons on a bowling green ARE NOT to be counted in the total number of persons allowed on the premises of a licensed club, as long as the number is restricted to 20 persons per green (excluding staff & officials).

To comply with this regulation, all clubs, who allow use of greens, MUST keep a record of a person's name and phone number who participate for a period of at least 4 weeks. They must provide a copy of that record to the Ministry of Health, if required, for the purposes of contact tracing.

Please, also note, that strict social distancing of at least 1.5m must be adhered to as well as all other requirements of the current Public Health Order.

**WBNSW & BNSW further advise under NSW State Government guidelines from today, 13 June 2020, Lawn Bowls has been granted permission to participate in organised matches this includes social & competition matches.**

Please note the following conditions:

- No more than 20 persons are allowed per green (excluding any club staff or officials e.g. markers, umpires, coaches etc.)
- Social Distancing of 1.5m per person must be strictly adhered to
- Personal and Equipment hygiene protocols are in place
- A record of attendees at all sessions of activity must be kept for a period, of at least, 4 weeks and given to Health or Government officials, if required.
- Clubs must have a COVID-19 safety plan in place

It is up to individual clubs to ensure they comply with all restrictions prior to commencing any organised matches (social and/or competition).

Please note that licensed clubs have their own set of restrictions, under Public Health Orders, that apply to the capacity of persons allowed internally within the club house and it may be the case that some clubs may not have the capacity to cater for bowlers prior to and/or after any organised matches. **Each club should consider their internal capacity when scheduling any organised social/competition matches.**

*WBNSW & BNSW continue to strongly recommend that in order to comply with restrictions that no more than 4 persons per rink participate at any one time.*

Both WBNSW & BNSW welcome this new easing of restrictions, prior to the full re-start of all community sports from 1 July 2020. When specific details of restrictions, if any, are announced by government for the 1 July 2020 restart, a new updated circular/memo will be issued.

To help clubs ensure they meet the requirements prior to commencing organised matches, WBNSW & BNSW have provided the following:

- A *Club COVID-19 Safety Plan & Checklist*, which will be updated and re-issued as further announcements are made – [Click here](#)
- An *Attendee Register* - [Click here](#)

To view the current Public Health Orders, as legislated, [click here](#).

To view the requirements for resuming organised matches, [click here](#).

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