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No: Memo 368.20 and C18/2020
Date: 18 August 2020
To: Zones, Districts & Clubs
Re: JOINT ADVICE FROM WOMEN'S BOWLS NSW AND BOWLS NSW REGARDING COMMUNITY SPORT GUIDELINES

NSW Health together with NSW Office of Sport have released updated guidelines for Community Sport to be put in place from Wednesday 19th August 2020.

NSW Health have recommended to all NSW Sporting Organisations to suspend all activities that bring together participants from different areas and may include Local Government Areas (LGA).

As a result of this direction, Women's Bowls NSW and Bowls NSW hereby advise that ALL State Championship events to be held at District/Regional/Zone level MUST be suspended for a period of 6 weeks commencing tomorrow, Wednesday 19th August.

This suspension applies to any State Championships currently in progress and any scheduled to be played within the next 6 weeks.

All Districts/Regions/Zones are advised to alter their season programs to reschedule any matches to be played after this 6-week period.

Any other District/Regional/Zone events scheduled to be played during this 6-week period (e.g. Pennants, inter regional matches, any other event that has participants from different areas participating) should also be suspended for the 6-week period.

Clubs are advised that if they have any tournaments scheduled to be played during this period that they should also postpone or ensure entrants and participants are from their local area only.

All face to face meetings at District and Zone level like committee meetings and AGMs should also be postponed. Video meetings through programs such as Zoom are recommended to be utilised.

Coaching and Umpire Courses will be limited to participants from host venue local area and some participants may be contacted to arrange alternative arrangements, if necessary.

Clubs are encouraged to continue with any of their championships during this period (Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours and Mixed events etc.).

Clubs MUST have a COVID safe plan in place and it is noted that part of the requirements are to encourage that there are no spectators at any events or limit to one parent/carer per junior participant.

Both Associations will release separate information regarding their events planning ASAP.
To view the NSW Health/NSW Office of Sport recommendations, click [here](#)

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