



MALDEN MANOR BOWLING CLUB

FREQUENTLY OCCURRING LAWS OF THE SPORT

- 1 During trial ends, each player must not use more than the number of bowls being used during the game. (Law 5.1.4)
- 2 During trial ends, each player can use any combination of bowls taken from different sets of bowls. (Law 5.1.5)
- 3 After the first player to play has delivered their first bowl the legality of the mat cannot be challenged. (Law 6.1.4)
- 4 A jack on its original course that comes to rest less than 2 metres from the front ditch must be placed on the centre line, using a 2 metre stick. (Law 9.2)
- 5 If after a bowl has been played by each team, it is noticed that the wrong team has delivered the jack, play in that end must continue in that order. (Law 9.6)
- 6 After the first player has delivered the first bowl the legality of the jack cannot be challenged. (Law 9.7)
- 7 Minimum jack length is 23 metres. (Law 10.1.3)
- 8 A jack that has been improperly delivered by each player must be placed 2 metres from the front ditch and the first player may choose the mat position. (Law 10.3)
- 9 A toucher is a bowl in its original course which touches the jack. It remains a live bowl even if it comes to rest in the ditch within the rink boundaries. (Law 14.1)
- 10 A toucher must be marked with chalk as soon as it comes to rest. (Law 15.1)
- 11 A bowl at a distance less than 14 metres is a dead bowl. (Law 17.1.3)
- 12 If the jack is dead the end is dead. (Law 19.4) A dead end is not counted as a completed end. (Law 20.1)
- 13 A tied end is recorded as a completed end. (Law 24.2)
- 14 If during the process of deciding the shots, a bowl falls of its own accord, it must be left in its new position. Deciding the number of shots continues and any agreed before the bowl fell will count. (Law 23.6.3)
- 15 It is not compulsory for the last player of an end to deliver the final bowl. But any declared decision not to is final. (Law 25)
- 16 Possession of the rink will belong to the player or team whose bowl is being played. As soon as each bowl comes to rest, possession of the rink transfers. (Law 13) You cannot ask or answer questions when you do not have possession of the rink – this has nothing to do with where you are positioned or whether you are on or off the mat!
- 17 In the event of a game stoppage any incomplete end must be declared dead. For any completed end the number of shots must be decided before the game stops. (Law 32.2 & 3)
- 18 The jack is a dead jack if it is moved by a bowl in play and comes to rest at a distance less than 20 metres. (Law 19.1.4)