

Bowls New Zealand Privacy Policy

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1. Our commitment to privacy

Bowls New Zealand is committed to protecting your privacy and handling your personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020.

This policy explains how we collect, use, store and disclose personal information, and your rights.

2. What is personal information?

Personal information is any information about an identifiable individual, such as your name, contact details, or participation in bowls.

3. Information we collect

We may collect personal information when you:

- Visit or use our website
- Register for events, competitions or programmes
- Become a member, participant, volunteer or official
- Subscribe to communications
- Contact us

This may include:

- Name and contact details
- Club or organisation affiliation
- Participation or competition information
- Payment information (if applicable)
- Website usage data (e.g. cookies, analytics, IP address)

We generally collect this information directly from you, but may also collect it from clubs, centres or partners where appropriate.

4. How we use your information

We use your personal information to:

- Deliver programmes, events and competitions
- Manage memberships and affiliations
- Communicate updates and opportunities
- Provide services and respond to enquiries
- Improve our website and services
- Meet reporting and governance obligations

We only use your information for the purpose it was collected or as permitted by law.

5. Disclosure of information

We may share your information with:

- Bowls New Zealand staff and contractors
- Regional centres, clubs and affiliates
- Service providers (e.g. IT, payments, event platforms)
- Government agencies or funders (as required)
- Other parties where required or permitted by law

We do not sell your personal information.

6. Cookies and website analytics

Our website uses cookies and analytics to understand usage and improve performance.

This information is generally non-identifiable. You can manage cookies through your browser settings.

7. Storage and security

We take reasonable steps to protect your personal information from loss, misuse, or unauthorised access and ensure it is stored securely.

8. Retention

We retain personal information only as long as necessary for its purpose or as required by law.

9. Your rights

You have the right to:

- Access your personal information
 - Request corrections
 - Withdraw consent where applicable
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10. Privacy Officer

Bowls New Zealand has a designated Privacy Officer.

Email: mark@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz

11. Changes to this policy

We may update this policy from time to time. The latest version will be available on our website.

12. Questions or complaints

If you have concerns about your privacy, please contact us. You may also contact the Office of the Privacy Commissioner.

13. Copyright and website information

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