

WELSH BOWLS UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

**ALCOHOL AWARENESS
&
USE OF BANNED SUBSTANCES
STATEMENT**

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Alcohol Awareness Statement

The consumption of alcohol is not deemed as necessary at any point during any event in which you are Officiating or representing the Welsh Bowls Umpires Association.

Any Member found consuming alcohol or under the influence of alcohol and not able to uphold their status as a representative of the Welsh Bowls Umpires Association at any event shall be removed from duties with immediate effect and may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Welsh Bowls Umpires Association Disciplinary Procedures.

Welsh Bowls Umpires Association expects all Members to understand their limitations with alcohol in their system and expects Members to have respect for their position and not let alcohol cause them to drop their standard of behaviour, maturity, or performance.

Accepting an appointment from Welsh Bowls Umpires Association or its representatives to officiate at any event, I agree to the following:

1. Not to drink alcohol while on duty at an event.
2. Abide by all directives given by the Controlling Body and or Tournament Director for the event in relation to drinking alcohol prior to and after the completion of play each day.

Use of Banned Substances Statement

World Bowls prohibits the use of banned substances or methods of doping and are governed by the Rules & Regulations of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). Welsh Bowls Umpires Association Members when officiating at any event under the direct or indirect control of World Bowls is also required to comply with these Rules & Regulations, and in no circumstances will the use of banned substances or methods of doping be tolerated. All medication taken should be advised to the WBUA Secretary so that this may be checked out. In all circumstances, this information will be treated as **CONFIDENTIAL** between WBUA and the Member. In certain circumstances Therapeutic

Use Exemption (TUE) is required, and application must be made and accepted by a practicing doctor.

Accepting an appointment from Welsh Bowls Umpires Association or its representatives to officiate at any event, I agree to the following:

1. Neither possess nor encourage the use of any illegal or prohibited drugs.
2. Ensure WBUA is notified of any doping related offences arising out of WBUA activities
3. Make myself aware of the WADA regulations through the UK Sport Anti-Doping information.

Any Member on duty at an event who is found guilty of a doping offence. (prior to or during an Event) will, after WBUA's procedures have been followed, be banned from future events until a disciplinary hearing is held, unless extenuating circumstances are accepted by WBUA through process of Appeal.

The taking of illegal drugs will not be tolerated at any point by WBUA, and any Member found consuming illegal drugs or under the influence of illegal drugs shall be removed **immediately from duties.**

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