

# Rules of play at Malvern Priory Bowling Club during social distancing measures

## Before you play

- **Do not go to the club if you are experiencing any coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms** or any cold or flu-like symptoms, in particular a cough or a high temperature. Use the NHS 111 website or helpline and seek advice. For your own protection, follow the advice about self-isolation if you are, or are living with, someone in one of the vulnerable groups
- Dress appropriately before you get to the club to avoid the need to change clothes – change shoes immediately before and after your game
- Travel to the green on your own or with members of your own household only – do not offer a lift to, or accept a lift from, anyone outside your household. Do not arrive more than 10 minutes before your allocated booking time.

## At the club

- You may go into the clubhouse, one at a time, to get your bowls and shoes
- Avoid using toilets at the club wherever possible and clean anything you have touched after use
- Take any food or drink you might need with you
- Wash or sanitise your hands and sanitise any equipment (including bowls, jacks and mats) you use before and after you play – do not assume that the person before you has sanitised the equipment thoroughly
- Sanitise keys and door handles before and after use

## Playing the game

- Please remove worm castings on your rink before starting to play and also refrain from walking on other rinks and treading on worm castings. They only occur around the sides of the green. There will be a broom available in the clubhouse for this purpose but must be cleaned before and after use.
- You should only play with people from your own household or by yourself or, as long as you stay two metres apart, with one other person from outside your household. Groups of more than two people must all be from the same household. **This means you cannot have two or three people from one household plus one person from outside the household playing together.**
- Do not shake hands before, during or after a game
- Do not 'high-five' OR 'hug' other players to celebrate shots or a win
- **Only one player should handle the mat during the session**
- **Use two jacks (one at each end) and these should be set by one player only throughout the session**
- If you are scoring:
  - Use paper and a pencil that you have brought with you
  - Social distancing rules must be strictly adhered to at all times
  - Do not touch your opponents' bowls with your hands
  - Avoid measuring for shot/s

## When you leave

- When you finish playing, change your shoes and leave the club immediately – ensuring that you have sanitised all equipment used and that the club is secure.