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SUBJECT: Advice for Markings (Stickers) on Bowls

Bowls SA have received a number of queries regarding bowls stickers following the release of the 'Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 3rd Edition' at the beginning of this year.

Please see the photos below for a reference as to how your bowls should have adhesive stickers applied to them so they do not fully cover the Manufacturer's Stamp and the Serial Number of your bowls and to comply with the Laws of the Sport.



This bowls World Bowls stamp and Serial number are visible. This bowl is compliant.



This bowls Serial number is not visible. This bowl is **not** compliant



This bowl has had the small ring trimmed so that the World Bowls stamp and Serial number are visible. This bowl is compliant.



This bowl has had the small ring cut into sections so that the World Bowls stamp and Serial number are visible. This bowl is compliant.



This bowl shows the World Bowls stamp, its date and the Serial number, which is visible and readable. Even though the sticker slightly covers the World Bowls stamp this bowl is compliant

Guidelines for Compliance (Supplied by Bowls Australia)

The following are guidelines for application of the new Laws of the Sport and Domestic Regulations regarding bowls stickers:

- Players in team or side may use markings that are different in size. The adhesive markings (stickers)
 must, however, be the same design and colour and where used must be adhered to both sides of
 the bowl;
- On the bias side (the small ring) the sticker may be a small ring and/or the dot. The small ring and/or dot may cover the distinctive mark (engraving) but must not cover the World Bowls stamp or serial number;
- It is acceptable for one or more members of a team/side to use a small ring and another use the dot (these are stickers of different size);
- The stickers used on the bias side of the bowls may be partially trimmed to ensure that the World Bowls Stamp and serial number remain visible;
- It is acceptable for players to have the rings cut into sections, accommodating the large
 distinctive mark (engraving) now found on some models of bowls. Further, it is acceptable for only
 some members of the team/side to have the rings cut into sections;
- It is not contrary to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls for the sticker used on the non-bias side (i.e. the large ring) to partly cover the distinctive mark (engraving) on the non-bias side; and
- The adhesive markings (stickers) must be applied to each set of bowls in the same way (from example, if the dot is used on the bias side, it must be used on each of a player's bowls used in that match).