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**EIBA BURSARY
GUIDANCE NOTES
FOR COACHING and SAFEGUARDING COURSES**

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Bursaries from the EIBA

The EIBA has 4 different types of Bursaries

1. Level 1 Qualification in Coaching Bowls
2. Level 2 Qualification in Coaching Bowls
3. Safeguarding Awareness Module
4. Safeguarding Officer Training



Coaching

The EIBA recognises the importance of coaching to players at all levels and in particular to new bowlers coming into the sport. Therefore, it has introduced the EIBA Coaching Bursary to assist existing coaches and potential coaches in obtaining a Coach Bowls Qualification.

What is Coach Bowls?

Coach Bowls is the Coaching System developed by the Bowls Development Alliance (BDA) on behalf of the sport of Bowls in England and is wholly supported by Bowls England, EIBA Ltd, BCGBA and ESMBA, to meet the needs of players and coaches at all levels. Coach Bowls is the only bowls coaching system supported and funded by the EIBA.



Further details at - www.coachbowls.org/about-us/

“Coaching in Bowls Qualifications”

Level 1 Qualification in Coaching Bowls

The only Nationally Recognised Qualification for the sport of Bowls in England, wholly supported by Bowls England, EIBA Ltd and with contributions from BCGBA and ESMBA.

The knowledge gained from this qualification will ensure coaches have developed an understanding of safe, ethical, and effective bowls coaching. It also enables coaches (who are aged over 18) to deliver pre-prepared sessions provided by Coach Bowls.

The qualification is delivered in partnership with 1st 4 Sport Qualifications (Awarding Body) and gives an externally accredited Nationally recognised qualification (regulated by OfQual).

Full Details at www.coachbowls.org/courses/level-1-qualification-in-coaching-bowls

Who is eligible to apply for a Level 1 Qualification in Coaching Bowls?

- Any club volunteer aged 15+ (16+ for certification).
- Any Level 1 coach from another sport who also has a background in Bowls can apply for ‘Recognition of Prior Learning’ to be eligible.
- Any current Level 1 Coach from all current accreditation schemes may choose to complete the Coach Bowls Level 1 qualification.

Level 2 Qualification in Coaching Bowls

The only Nationally Recognised Level Two Qualification for the sport of Bowls in England, wholly supported by Bowls England, EIBA Ltd, BCGBA and ESMBA.

The knowledge gained from this qualification will ensure coaches have developed an understanding of safe, ethical, and effective bowls coaching. It also enables coaches (who are aged over 18) to deliver pre-prepared sessions provided by Coach Bowls.

The qualification is delivered in partnership with 1st 4 Sport Qualifications (Awarding Body) and gives an externally accredited Nationally recognised qualification (regulated by OfQual).

Full Details at www.coachbowls.org/courses/level-2-qualification-in-coaching-bowls

Who is eligible to apply for a Level 2 Qualification in Coaching Bowls?

- Any current Level One or above coach (from all accreditation schemes)
- Any Level Two qualified coach from another sport who also has a background in bowls (can apply for Recognition of Prior Learning)
- Any Qualified Teacher who also has a background in bowls (can apply for Recognition of Prior Learning)

Safeguarding

Coach Bowls provides a range of training on behalf of Safeguarding Bowls to support clubs and county associations to provide a safe environment for all participants.

Safeguarding Awareness Module

This Module is recommended for Coaches, Club Officers and Volunteers.

This module can be used as a stand-alone introduction to safeguarding in Bowls or as a precursor to further training prior to attending other courses.

The module focuses on understand safeguarding adults and children, and particularly those who may be at risk.

The Module has been designed for anyone new to safeguarding or anyone who wants to gain more knowledge in the position they hold at their club.

It covers the essential information you need to know relating to safeguarding in bowls, how to recognise abuse, respond and report appropriately when a concern is raised.

It is interactive and includes scenarios to help you understand and learn about keeping people safe.

Full Details at www.coachbowls.org/courses/safeguarding-awareness-module

Who is eligible

- Open to all

Safeguarding Officer Training

This new 4 hour module covers all the information that any Safeguarding Officer may need to help them fulfil this vital role in their club or County.

It includes some basic safeguarding awareness for both adults and children, along with how to make a club a safer place for everyone, roles and responsibilities and highlights help and support.

This course replaces the old 'Time to Listen' course which focussed purely on children.

Full Details at www.coachbowls.org/safeguarding-officer-training

Who is eligible

- The module has been designed for Safeguarding Officer, also open to anyone who might want to attend

EIBA Safeguarding Guidance can be found at www.eiba.co.uk/safeguarding/safeguarding.php

Who can apply for a bursary?

Level 1 and Level 2 Qualification in Coaching Bowls

Any individual who is a member of an Affiliated Club of the EIBA can apply for financial assistance towards the cost of the Bursaries.

The maximum funding available through the Bursary scheme is 50% of the cost of the Course **with a maximum of three members per affiliated Club and one per County.**

On a case-by-case basis, we will consider:

- *an additional THREE Applications supported by a brief explanation as to how the extra 3 coaches will be used. We would hope that Clubs will seek Bursaries across all of the Grades (level 1, level 2)*
- *Additional Bursaries will be considered depending upon the availability of Funds and sight of your Clubs "Clubs Sports Development Plan" showing how the Coaches will be utilised.*
- *25% Bursaries for Applicants who have already received an Award will also be considered on a case-by-case basis*

N.B. Clubs and Counties should advise the EIBA if any successful Applicants subsequently no longer undertake Coaching Duties, so that the EIBA can amend the Club/County Allocation Records.

Safeguarding

Any individual who is a member of an Affiliated Club of the EIBA can apply for financial assistance towards the cost of the Bursaries.

The maximum funding available through the Bursary scheme is 50% of the cost of the Course **with a maximum of two members Applications per affiliated Club and one Application per County per year 1st December and 30th November.**

How do I apply for a Bursary?

Applicants must complete the EIBA Bursary Application form, which needs to be approved by their Club Chairman/Secretary or County Secretary before submission to the EIBA Head Office.

The Form should be submitted with a copy of the Coach Bowls invoice and, if they have completed their Course, a copy of the Certificate.



What is the approval process?



Applications will be considered by the EIBA's Development Panel every two weeks.

All applicants will be informed of the decision within 3 days of the Panel meeting.

The decision of the EIBA Development Panel on all applications will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

How will the Bursary be paid?

50% of the Level 1 or Level 2 Qualification in Coaching Bowls course fees will be paid directly to the applicant that paid the course fee, following confirmation from Coach Bowls that the Course has been successfully completed, on receipt of a copy of their Certificate.

50% of the Safeguarding Module fees will be paid directly to the applicant that paid the course fee, on receipt of a copy of their Certificate.

N.B. that the NGB Contribution will only be paid by either EIBA or Bowls England and not by both NGB's.



EIBA Bursary Application Forms.

These can be obtained by downloading from the EIBA website at www.eiba.co.uk/downloads/downloads.php or telephone 01664 481900 for a paper copy.

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