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# COVID-19 Support and Guidance – Quick Reference Guide

Bowls Scotland has compiled a quick reference guide that aims to provide advice and guidance for clubs throughout the COVID-19 outbreak. We hope that you find this information useful and informative.

# **CORONAVIRUS GRANT SUPPORT SCHEME**

The Scottish Government has created a Grant Support Scheme to help sports clubs with nondomestic rates in Scotland during COVID-19.

These Grants are designed to help protect jobs and prevent club closures. The two types of Grants available are

- A one-off £10,000 grant to ratepayers of small clubs and businesses
- A one-off £25,000 grant available to retail, hospitality and leisure business ratepayers with a rateable value between £18,001 -£50,999

Bowling Clubs can apply for these Grants via the clubs Local Authority <u>here</u>.

## THIRD SECTOR RESILIENCE FUND

This £20m emergency fund is for charities, community groups, social enterprises and voluntary organisations working in Scotland who find themselves in financial difficulties directly as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

Bowling Clubs can check their eligibility here.

## **EMPLOYERS REGULATIONS**

All UK employers will be able to access support to continue to pay part of their employees' salary, for those that would otherwise have been laid off during the COVID-19 crisis. This scheme will reimburse 80% of workers wage costs, up to a maximum cap of £2,500 per month.

More information on this can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Further information is also available here.

#### **HINTS & TIPS TO REDUCE EXPENDITURE**

Bowls Scotland has produced a COVID-19: Cost Saving Hints and Tips. This will provide some examples of things clubs could consider when trying to reduce costs in these difficult times <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

#### BOWLS SCOTLAND FAQ'S AND CLUB HELPLINE

A Frequently Asked Questions document has been created and is available on our website. The FAQs are updated regularly and reflect current Scottish Government Advice as well as questions received from member clubs. Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

Our National Development Officers continue to be available throughout this time via phone, email and virtual meetings:

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## NHS HEALTH ADVICE

Everyone must stay at home to help stop the spread of coronavirus. You should only leave the house for 1 of 4 reasons:

- Shop for necessities, e.g. food and medicine, which must be as infrequent as possible
- One form of exercise a day, e.g run, walk, or cycle (alone or with members of your household)
- Any medical need, or to provide care or to help a vulnerable person
- Travelling to and from work, but only where this absolutely cannot be done from home

More information can be found on the NHS website <u>here</u>.