



# Bowls Queensland

## Blue Card Policy

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Bowls Queensland (BQ) recognises that there are associated risks for children, youth and adults whilst they are inter mixing with each other in the execution, training, playing and development of our sport at all levels of the sport. This policy has been drafted with the aim of eliminating any risks for all children, youth and adults who have contact with each for the development, and operations of our sport that requires these members to communicate, play the game, travel and train for the game together.

BQ endorses and supports the Queensland Government blue card policy and Child & Youth Risk Management Strategy that addresses these issues and as such sets out the BQ policy.

### **Bowls Queensland**

It is policy that no one shall hold a position in the BQ organisational structure unless they hold a current Queensland Government issued blue card. *Copies of the Queensland government application papers for blue cards are available from <https://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au/>*

These application forms can be signed by organisation management, district or club executives but a copy of cards issued to their members is required by BQ for our records. It is also policy that anyone who is officiating at a BQ controlled event must be the holder of a current Queensland Government blue card. BQ must be provided with each blue card holder's details prior to the event.

### **Bowls Queensland Staff**

It is policy that staff members who have direct contact with children and youth bowlers for training, coaching, travel, event or other purposes must also hold a current Queensland Government blue card.

### **Bowls Queensland Coaches, Selection and Competition, Marker, Measurers and Umpires**

It is policy that persons who hold a position in the BQ organisational structure State, district or club level as a coach or umpire and selection and competition certificate must hold a current Queensland Government blue card.