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**TO: ALL DISTRICT SECRETARIES**

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**LAWS OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS**

We advise that at a meeting of World Bowls, held in Delhi on 14 October 2010 certain changes to the laws of bowls were approved. New Law Books and up-dated copies of our Domestic Regulations are currently being printed and Districts will be advised, in due course, when these become available for purchase. We shall be printing a limited supply as this is an expensive exercise and Districts are advised to place their orders at their earliest opportunity.

In order to avoid confusion by applying the new Laws after our domestic season has got underway, it has been decided to apply these changes, in South Africa, from 1 November 2010. Districts who are starting competitions before they are in receipt of the new printed copies should annotate their conditions of play accordingly.

It should be brought to the attention of all concerned that the following changes to the existing Laws are affected.

1. It becomes the responsibility of the skip in the team to keep the scorecard supplied by the Controlling Body of the event.
2. The winner of the toss should choose whether to place the mat and then deliver the jack and the first bowl or tell the opposing player to place the mat and deliver the jack and the first bowl.  
**In all ends after the first but apart from an extra end, the winner of the previous scoring end should place the mat and deliver the jack and the first bowl.**
3. The positions of players within a team should not be changed after the first end has been completed.

**John Ravenscroft.**  
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