Bowls ACT Umpires Committee

The 2026 Bowls ACT Officials Training Program

Markers, Measurers and Umpires

Overview

The Bowls ACT Umpires Committee is planning to run the following officiating courses in September 2026.
Each date will be created as a separate event on BowlsLink and advertised through BowlsLink, the Bowls ACT and Club websites, and Club Facebook pages. Clubs will be asked to notify members of these opportunities where necessary.

How to Register

- Register your initial interest through BowlsLink.
- Search Events – **Bowls ACT Marker Course, Bowls ACT Measurers Course or Bowls ACT Umpires Course** (as applicable)**.**
- Bookings open 9.00am, 3rd August and close midnight AEST, 1 September 2026 for the Markers Course, and 7 September for the umpiring and Measurers Courses.
- BowlsLink will also be used to send joining instructions, recommended reading, and any required documents — please ensure your BowlsLink details are up to date.

Before You Attend

The scheduling of these events allows enough time for each candidate to complete:

- The BowlsLearn online training components.
- The required Sports Integrity Australia online courses.
- Their State-required Working With Children / Vulnerable People registration.

Event Schedule — September 2026

Date	Session	Details
Mon 31 Aug	Spare date	Reserved only if Marker candidate numbers exceed a practical class size.
Week 1 Mon 7 Sep	Markers	On-green assessment and accreditation for Markers.
Week 2 Mon 14 Sep	Measurers & Umpires	Classroom and on-green demonstration of measuring equipment and requirements under the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, case studies, and preparation for assessment and accreditation.
Week 3 Mon 21 Sep	Measurers	On-green assessment and accreditation for Measurers.

Week 4 Mon 28 Sep	Umpires	Assessment and accreditation for Umpires.
Mon 5 Oct	Spare date	Reserved for rescheduling where needed.

Note: If a candidate is unable to attend a scheduled date, an alternative date will be considered, subject to the availability of Presenters and Assessors (P&As).

Online Training Required by Candidates before the Assessment/Event Date

BowlsLearn	Sports Integrity Australia	State Government
Welcome to Bowls Learn	Sports Integrity Australia Course Register & Log In	Access Canberra Services NSW
☐ Markers Module ☐ Measurers Module ☐ National Umpires Course	• National Integrity Framework • Anti-Doping Fundamentals • Clean Sport 101 • Competition Manipulation & Sports Gambling • Illicit Drugs in Sport	☐ Working With Children (NSW) ☐ Working With Vulnerable People (ACT)
☐ Bowls Australia Officiation Manual for Markers/ Measurers/ Umpires. ☐ Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark Fourth Edition		

Looking Ahead

Following completion of this program, the Bowls ACT Umpires Committee will review how the events were run and address any process improvements, as we move toward running these courses twice per year (March/April and September).

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