

## **DUTIES OF THE CONTROLLING BODY**

1. This is a guide for those who perform the duties of the Controlling Body. Other functions may be required for certain events or under certain circumstances.
2. Ensure events are played as stated in respective Conditions of Play (COP). (Have on hand for reference.)
3. Before commencement of play, announce the names representing the Umpire and the Controlling Body.
4. Ensure an Umpire has been appointed
5. Be present at all times during the match, plus a reasonable time before play and after play finishes.
6. Advise players on their eligibility for pre-match practice and allocate rinks for practice as applicable.
7. Call cards not less than 20 minutes before scheduled start time.
8. Ensure Markers are in attendance for Singles games.
9. Ensure players, Umpires and Markers are aware on any non-standard playing conditions.
10. Decide when to start play if weather is doubtful.
11. Responsible for ensuring players are relevantly attired in accordance with the match COP.
12. Declare the position of a constituted member in a team to be vacant under DR4, and authorize an eligible member to join that team.
13. Authorize one team in a side to play one player short if no eligible player or substitute available.
14. May, if circumstances warrant it, extend the time allowed for late arrivals.
15. Can award the match to the opponent if a player, team or side fails to show or otherwise forfeits its match.
16. Can warn the player involved if causing damage to the green, they can ask them to retire from the green and take no further part in the match (Also the Umpire may do this).
17. Can replace a Marker whose performance or behavior is less than acceptable standard.
18. Can act to have spectators refrain from disturbing, advising or interfering with players.
19. Can award the match to an opponent if advised by the Umpire there has been infringement of a law that requires a penalty.
20. Decide when to abandon play for the day because of darkness, the conditions of the weather or other valid reason.
21. They are the ones to whom the Umpire hands the set of bowls and the applicable deposit if there has been a challenge to a set of bowls. They arrange to have the bowls tested.
22. They ensure that any necessary closing announcements are made.