



ENGLISH SHORT MAT BOWLING ASSOCIATION

Covid Requirements – Melton Mowbray IBC

ESMBA NATIONAL FINALS 2022

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The most recent Government statement from February 24th has set out the latest stage in its route map ‘Living with Covid’

The Government has removed the legal requirements formally in place to restrict the transmission of Covid, and instead replaced it with guidance, and the ESMBA will be using this guidance to ensure the safety of all those attending the upcoming National Finals.

It remains important to continue to think about not only your own health, but also those you meet, and the Government has issued a list of safer behaviours which can help reduce the risk of transmission.



Please continue to respect those you may meet at the finals and stay home if you feel unwell. We recommend that you take a lateral flow test before travelling, and each day you are at the Nationals to protect those around you who may have underlying health issues.

The Venue will be well ventilated, but some members may have medical reasons or just feel safer by continuing to wear a face covering in indoor settings. Please be tolerant of people’s right to choose what best suits them.

The ESMBA Committee and Volunteers will ensure the equipment is sanitised before play commences and will continue to supply hand gel sanitiser all around the venue and rink – please use it

The Chairman Barry Hedges can be reached on 07788414311 if anyone has any doubts regarding attendance

The ESMBA will continue to display the traffic light system. The venue will be classified into zones to easily highlight the different risk levels in each of the areas based on the transmission risks of Covid 19.

Red Zones

These areas indicate a higher risk of transmission, be it from a confined space or just a heavier footfall.

Amber Zones

These are deemed to be areas of moderate risk of transmission.

Green Zones

These are deemed as low transmission areas, ie outside and very well-ventilated areas.

Specific Requirements for Melton Mowbray IBC

Please uphold your duty of care to your fellow bowlers. Do not turn up at the venue if you or any member of your household have covid symptoms or have tested positive.

Please arrive using the main entrance, keeping your social distance. Please use the hand sanitiser upon entry.

The Changing rooms are closed and only to be use in case of medical emergency. Please find yourself a seat around the rink and use this for storing your bag and personal belongings. The arena area, chairs, and tables etc will be santised before the start of each day with a 24-hour antibacterial spray for your safely.

The Playing equipment will also be sanitised before play every day.

If you feel unwell at any time, please let the competition organiser know immediately, and should you subsequently test positive after attending at Melton Mowbray IBC, please contact the competition organiser or message covid19@esmba.co.uk.

Only enter the toilets when you feel confident there is enough space for you inside and thoroughly wash your hands before re-entering the rink.

Food will be available throughout the day and can be ordered from the Restaurant or via the outside hatch and weather permitting tables are available outside as well as inside to eat at.

If you leave the venue at any time during the day, please change into your outdoor shoes or use the shoe covers provided over your bowls shoes , and use the santiser gel when you re-enter.

The protocols are put in place to keep everyone safe, and you may be asked to leave the venue and be excluded from taking any further part in the match if you disregard them.

Everyone must play their part in making these a safe and successful Finals. If you feel unable to abide by the ESMBA guidance you may let the competition organiser know your decision to withdraw from the competition without prejudice.

On behalf of the ESMBA