

APPROVED FOOTWEAR FOR LAWNBOWLING FROM BCB.

Use of Approved Footwear

Shoes must be flat-soled with no separation between the front sole and heel (i.e. flat from toe to heel). Walking shoes and sports shoes are acceptable; sandals with a heel strap are also acceptable, as long as the back strap is firmly fitted when worn. Flat-soled wedge shoes (i.e. shoes that increase in height from toe to heel) are not acceptable. The width of any heel must be at least 50% of the widest part of the sole. The sole may possess a shallow tread pattern or indented grooves to improve traction, without damaging the green. A channel in the centre of the sole is acceptable; protuberances that extend out from the sole are not acceptable. Edges around the sole, and around any channel, need to be rounded. Brand name bowling shoes that are listed as approved on a current list, published by a member national authority, are generally acceptable. Shoes that have been re-soled to ensure that they comply with the laws of the sport are also generally acceptable. Nevertheless, Bowls Canada Boulingrin reserves the right to disallow any specific shoe. Umpires must use their best judgment and not unduly eliminate members from play unless they have a shoe that would clearly damage the green. Common sense must prevail.