

Newport Pagnell Bowling Club NPBC Dress Code Policy Statement – 2026



This Policy Statement is designed to be an outline of the Club's expectations in relation to dress standards and to act as a reference point for all Members.

The Club wishes to maintain good standards of dress to foster a positive Club image and to uphold general standards in everything in which the Club is involved.

Footwear

Flat-soled bowls shoes must be worn at all times when playing on the Green. Open-toe sandals will not be permitted at any time.

IMPORTANT – in order to protect the playing surface, shoes worn on the Green must not be worn outside the confines of any Club premises.

Roll ups and practice play

The Club prefers that Members wear WHITE above the waist and GREY below. Smart, casual clothing is permitted, but blue jeans and revealing/immodest dress are specifically excluded (including short sports shorts, miniskirts and dresses).

Club Competitions

Members should be dressed in WHITE above the waist and GREY below. Club Shirt and BLUE below the waist is also permitted.

In team games, players in the same team should be dressed in the same manner.

Finals Day or other competition events - Members should be dressed in Club Shirt and BLUE below the waist or as specified by the Competitions Committee. White or Royal Blue under and over layers are permitted.

Markers

All markers should wear WHITE above the waist and GREY below.

Club Friendly Matches

Members should be dressed in Club Shirt*.

Afternoon Matches: BLUE or WHITE below the waist

Evening Matches: BLUE or GREY below the waist

White or Royal Blue under and over layers are permitted.

*new Members may wear WHITE above the waist

Club captains will have discretion where this Dress Code relates to new Members.

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Tuesday League (Tuesday Club)

Members should be dressed in WHITE above the waist and GREY below.

Representative Matches

Where the Club deems a match to be “representative”, dress shall be stated as BLUE. Men:
Club Shirt (new style only). Trousers or shorts to be Club Uniform BLUE.
WHITE Club jackets may be worn as required. Any other outerwear should be WHITE.
Headwear should be WHITE.
Blazers are optional and should by preference be Navy Blue, although Black is acceptable where no alternative is available to the Member. Ladies:
Generally all as above, but BLUE crops are also permitted.

County and National Competitions

Members engaged in County or National games must abide by the regulations of dress as laid down by the appropriate Association.

Other Matches

Dress for any other type of match will be indicated on the team sheet.

The Club requests that all members (including Academy members) adhere to the Dress Code policy. Repeated failure to comply with the policy may result in unwanted exclusions, which will be regulated by the committee.

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Ray Keen League (RKL)

Defining the dress requirements for the RKL falls outside the remit of NPBC & this Policy Statement, but the Club understands that all players in a RKL team should wear matching clothing when they play (as per 2023 ruling).

Any queries should be addressed to the League Manager.

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