APPOINTED DIRECTOR OPPORTUNITIES

Information Package - February 2026

Overview

WORLD BOWLS is the exclusive and recognised international sports federation for the sport of Bowls.

World Bowls comprises 63 National Member Federations across six continents. Bowls is a sport that inspires people of all abilities and ages to participate across the world.

World Bowls champions; inclusion, innovation, and progress - responding to major sector reforms, global movements, and best practice developments with insight, enthusiasm, and a consistent vision.

During 2025, World Bowls and the World Governing Body for Bowls for the Disabled (International Bowls for the Disabled – IBD) merged and were awarded membership as an International Federation (RIF) by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC). Additionally, the Commonwealth Games Federation announced that Bowls was a core sport in 2030 in Amdavad, India.

Further reading on the sport of Bowls including strategic plans is recommended and available at:

- https://www.worldbowls.com
- https://www.interdisabledbowls.org
- https://worldbowlsseries.com

World Bowls – Appointed Director Opportunities

An opportunity to assist in *shaping the future* of the world's most inclusive sport, World Bowls now invites expressions of interest from suitably qualified individuals to join its Board as Appointed Directors.

These appointments are for initial two and three-year terms. The roles are pro bono, with reasonable expenses covered by the organisation.

About the role

Appointed Directors play a vital role in providing strategic guidance, strong governance oversight, and independent judgement to support the continued global growth and development of the sport of bowls.

World Bowls is now advancing an exciting strategic growth agenda to strengthen and grow the position and impact of Bowls. We are committed to wide ranging diversity, inclusion, and best-practice governance, and welcomes applications from a diverse range of candidates across all regions and backgrounds.

Desired skills and/or experience

Candidates should ideally demonstrate some (but not all) of the following skills and attributes:

- A genuine passion for contributing to the world's most diverse and inclusive sport.
- Experience working with ethical frameworks, particularly in a research and data collection or integrity-related context.
- Strong financial literacy, sound business judgement and a strategic mindset, at executive or board governance level.
- Commercial successes within complex organisations, ideally with an international or cross-cultural focus.
- Knowledge of sponsorship, commercial partnerships, broadcast and digital media.
- A strong connection to sport and the events sector, ideally with an interest in bowls and an ambition to contribute to this sport's future growth, sustainability and a lasting global impact.

Application Process

Interested candidates are invited to submit an Expression of Interest comprising:

- A brief cover letter (1 page) outlining suitability for the role and motivation to join the World Bowls Board as an Appointed Director.
- A current resume or CV highlighting relevant governance, executive, and international experience.
- Must apply or and have a unique Australian Director ID (DIN)

Applications should be submitted in the first instance by completing this application form: https://www.cognitoforms.com/WorldBowls/WorldBowlsAppointedDirectorApplicationForm

Shortlisted candidates may be invited to participate in further discussions and formal interviews.

Closing date

Expressions of Interest close at **17.00 (5.00pm) UTC on Friday 6 March 2026.**

Confidential enquiries

For a confidential discussion regarding these opportunities, please contact:
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