

NGB Support Guidance for the Community Sports Coach Scheme

Sport	BOWLS
<p>NGB deployment focus for the Community Sports Coaches, linked to the NGB player pathway and relevant development initiatives.</p>	<p>Primary Focus would be youth development and recruitment but with a secondary objective of sport development via recruitment by encouraging parental participation entry level.</p> <p>1. Work with indoor and outdoor clubs and local associations to develop a co-ordinated youth recruitment and development policy at County level, which has a County focus as opposed to an individual and potentially fragmented individual club approach. This would mean co-ordinating a number of separate initiatives currently in place at schools and clubs etc and expand these in a uniformed manner.</p> <p>2. Understanding and support for the young people involved would be dramatically enhanced by linking to a related “Parent Coaching “ programme which may even lead to recruitment opportunities and overall expansion opportunities within the sport. The additional opportunity here is to also identify adults who are moving towards leaving other sports that have a relatively early exit age due to physical limitations. They could be retained in sport for the rest of their lives by re-direction to Bowls.</p> <p>3. Specific ethnic minority recruitment targeting could be considered due to generally low participation figures currently both within youth & adult areas of the sport. Focussed work with other priority groups who can all enjoy Bowls both socially and competitively should also be addressed. e.g. Deaf Clubs, Blind & Partially Sited Clubs, disabled / wheelchair organisations. Any social group, irrespective of need, can be assisted to compete in the sport of Bowls. The big difference is that on the majority of occasions the individual will be able to compete with mainstream players which isn't always possible in other sports.</p>
<p>Minimum level of NGB coaching qualification for coaches employed through the Community Sports Coach Scheme</p>	<p>English Bowls Coaching Level 2 “Club Coach” minimum English Bowls Coaching Level 3 “Coach” desirable. Both these levels do include our comprehensive syllabus on Child Protection as designated by the governing body.</p>
<p>NGB Priority Partnership areas</p>	<p>All Partnerships would benefit.</p>
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