

Law	Proposer	Proposal
See Below	Laws Committee	<p>Proposal: The bias side of a bowl is identified by the small grooved rings surrounding its centre and the non-bias side is identified by the large grooved rings surrounding its centre (law D2)</p> <p>The Laws Committee is of the view that the current requirement for large grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side is not necessary. It proposes, therefore, to revise the laws to remove this requirement.</p> <p>Rationale:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are only two sides to a bowl. Since the laws require that one side (the bias side) is identifiable by small grooved rings surrounding its centre there is no need to have a means of identifying the other side (the non-bias side). • The removal of the requirement to have large grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side gives Licensed Manufacturers greater flexibility when deciding the size of any distinguishing marks which are to be placed on that side of a bowl.
D2		<p>Proposed Changes to the Laws - CM3 Edition: Bias side of a bowl: the side of the bowl that is the more rounded of the two sides, which is identified by the small grooved rings surrounding its centre.</p> <p>Each set of bowls can carry a player's individual emblem, logo or engraving as a distinguishing mark on both sides of every bowl.</p> <p>52.1.3.1 The distinguishing marks must be the same design and colour but can be different in size.</p> <p>52.1.3.2 The distinguishing mark on the bias side of the bowl must be inside the smallest grooved ring surrounding its centre.</p> <p>52.1.3.3 If there are grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side, the distinguishing mark must be inside the smallest ring.</p> <p>52.1.3.4 If there are no grooved rings surrounding the centre of the non-bias side, the distinguishing mark must be inside the indentations designed to help the player grip the bowl during delivery.</p> <p>52.1.3.5 As well as the distinguishing marks, each set of bowls can carry a player's name or signature. Imprints on the running surfaces of bowls must be avoided.</p>

52.1.8.4		<p>All bowls belonging to players within a team or side must have these markings on them and the markings must all be the same design and colour. However, players may use markings which are different in size from those used by other players in their team or side where this is necessary due to differences in the sizes of either the manufacturers' rings or distinguishing marks on the bowls.</p>
53.1		<p>Licensed Manufacturers and Licensed Testers are entitled to imprint the registered World Bowls Stamp on the bias side of bowls. Imprints on the running surfaces of bowls must be avoided wherever possible.</p>