



SUSPENSION GUIDANCE

To manage disciplinary cases that involve police investigation or safeguarding concern



- ☐ A Complaint Assessor becomes aware that the complaint involves the police, social services or another investigatory authority
- ☐ The matter is immediately reported to Bowls England via disciplinary@bowlsengland.com
- ☐ Bowls England assesses whether an interim suspension is necessary to protect individuals or uphold safeguarding/anti-doping standards
- ☐ Suspension may be imposed without a hearing and communicated directly to the suspended party. Disciplinary action to be paused until the concerns have been fully addressed
- ☐ The disciplinary process is paused until the external investigation concludes
- ☐ Once concluded, Bowls England decides whether to resume the disciplinary process or take further action
- ☐ Throughout the process, confidentiality must be maintained