



IRISH INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION

Dear Secretary

Update on 2021/22 season

The IIBA Executive recently met to discuss arrangements for the incoming season taking into account the pandemic at this time and the safety of players.

Under its latest guidance on Exercise and Sport Activities issued on 10 August 2021, indoor sporting activities including matches, group/team training and exercise/dance classes are not permitted by the Irish Government and therefore is not possible to recommence short mat bowls at present.

The completion of the 2019/20 National Finals was also discussed but it was not possible to supply any definite dates as **these finals will not take place until the National qualifiers under the Sport Ireland jurisdiction are able to play again.**

I know that many bowlers out there are disappointed not to be able to start again. The situation will be discussed again at the next Executive meeting on 7 October.

Yours faithfully

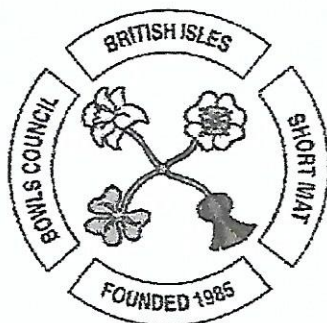
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PRESS RELEASE

A meeting of the British Isles Council was held by Zoom to discuss the British Isles Championships due to be held in England in November 2021 and the Top Team Championship also due to be held in England in January 2022.

Each country gave an update on its current position regarding the completion of their National Championships. As a result of this it became apparent that it would not be possible to hold the British Isles Championships in November as scheduled and it was agreed to postpone the Championships until 29/30 January 2022. The Top Team Championship is now scheduled to take place on 19/20 February 2022.

The next update will be in mid-October when details of the venue will be provided.

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