

PALBC

FAQ's

"Can we bring in food or have a caterer come in. Do you have a preferred vendor or caterer rule?"

You may arrange to bring in your own food or use the caterer of your choice.

"What is your maximum capacity?"

75 guests indoors. Maximum bowling is 42. Additional bowlers by agreement.

"What is your table and chair inventory?"

12—6' x 2.5' tables

75—folding chairs

1—10' x 3' serving table

2—5' x 2.5 outside serving tables

no linens are supplied for tables

"Do we need to wear whites or any specific clothing?"

You are not required to wear white clothing. Some groups do like to wear the traditional all white clothes so it's up to your group. We recommend comfortable, athletic clothes with a hat or visor and sunglasses.

We do require flat soled shoes (no heels) on the green to protect it.

"Can we bring in adult beverages?"

Yes you may. Supply your own drinkware, and please no glass on the outside area around the green.

"How many people play on a team?"

A typical social game for these events has 3 people on a team, playing *triples*. They will be playing on the same *rink* with 3 other players, so typically 6 players will be on a rink together. We can set up a mini-tournament and have teams play other teams. Games can also be played with 2 players on a team, called *pairs*, or even 4 players, called *rinks* depending on the number of bowlers in your group.

"Can we set up the teams ahead of time?"

Yes. This is especially helpful to get the group up and playing in a game and helpful for company mixers and team building.

"What about party set-up and clean up?"

Your group is responsible for all set-up and clean up. If you use a caterer, they will take care of all that. Our volunteers are happy to help set up and show you where everything is. We take care of all lawn bowling set-up and clean-up.

"How about decorations?"

You may decorate for your event with anything that can be taken away without any harm to the inside or outside area. We can't allow any candles or votives with flames.

"What is a Certificate of Liability Insurance and how do I obtain one?"

We require a proof of liability insurance for all private events. This is a standard one-page form that can be obtained through your company's insurance provider, usually free of charge. Individuals can obtain this through your homeowners or renter's insurance provider. It names PALBC and the City of Palo Alto as additionally insured. Certificate Holder: PALBC and City of Palo Alto, 474 Embarcadero Rd. Palo Alto, CA 94301.

"Is it appropriate for children?"

Children over 12 years old may participate. We have 3 sets of bowls for younger children. It is not a good fit for a children's birthday party. The green is like a putting green and may not be used for anything other than lawn bowling.

"What if someone wants to do more lawn bowling or become a member?"

We welcome folks to come out on Sundays at 1:30 for casual drop-in lessons or contact John Hickson (j.hickson@sbcglobal.net) or Terry Hogan (etelhogan@att.net) to set up a coaching session. We encourage new memberships! There is a flyer at the Club detailing the process and pricing.