

**SCOTTISH PETANQUE ASSOCIATION**  
**Health and Safety Policy**

This policy is for all players of Petanque in Scotland. It is for the guidance of all players of Petanque, and these players have a duty to read and comply with this document along with any specific notes issued by local clubs, particularly pertaining to the club's own piste.

**General statement of policy:**

Our policy is to provide guidance to all players to ensure safe playing conditions, equipment and playing areas throughout Scotland.

Responsibilities:

- All pistes should be checked for any foreign bodies before play i.e. glass, needles etc.
- During play, players should be aware that there are normally boundary strings which can cause accidents.
- During play, players should take care to be aware of other games taking place in parallel piste and should show consideration for other players.
- Players should ensure when shooting that all other players in the terrain are well aware of this and take all precautions to make sure that no players are within close proximity of the head.
- Players should always remember that boules can be dangerous in view of their steel composition and care should always be taken in the handling of them.
- It is the responsibility of players to ensure spectators do not encroach on the playing area whilst play is in progress.
- Players should ensure that they do not stand on any surrounds of the piste.

Please note: Although Petanque could be considered one of the safest of sports, lack of consideration or lack of concentration can cause accidents – please do not let this happen.

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