

# USING THE GREEN PROTECTION SHEETS

## Purpose

The purpose of the protection sheets is to reduce the incidence of divots, helping to keep the green in the best condition possible.

## When Will They Be Used?

The protection sheets will only be used when the green is particularly soft and prone to damage. If the sheets are needed, a notice will be clearly displayed near the green.

Protection sheets will not be used for external competitions and leagues when played at home.

## Who Decides?

The decision as to whether the sheets need to be used will be made by either the grass cutter (Monday, Wednesday & Friday), or the green team leader on other days. Where there is doubt the Greenkeeper's decision is final.

## How to Use the Protection Sheets.

The sheets are stored in the "pusher shed" on a shelf on the left-hand side. Also on the shelf are large pins. (These pins are used to hold the PS down).

1. Place the normal bowling mat on the rink at the 2-metre mark, centring it as usual.
2. Place the protection sheet just in front of the mat, centring it with the mat.
3. Three sides of the protection sheet have eyelets. The edge of the sheet WITHOUT eyelets/holes must be slightly under the bowling mat.

4. When you are happy with the position of the PS you can pin it to the green.
5. Push the pins through ALL the eyelets.
6. Take care to ensure the PS is flat and there are no rucks or folds.

## **Removing the Protection Sheets.**

After you've played and if no one is bowling on your rink in the next session the protection sheets and pins must be taken up and put away.

### **Please ensure:**

1. The PS is properly folded. Please note it takes two people to fold them properly. Don't leave one person to do it.
2. ALL the pins are accounted for and placed in the box provided.

**TAKE CARE.**

**JUST ONE PIN LEFT IN THE  
GREEN COULD RUIN THE MOWER.**

If you have any questions please contact Norman Jackson, Gary Preston or Mick Metson.