

# BRITISH CROWN GREEN REFEREES SOCIETY

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BCGBA Bye-law 19 – 1

“Suitable footwear must be worn Hard or block-heeled footwear, sandals or other open-toed footwear must not be worn whilst on the green in any match played under the Association’s jurisdiction.”

This bye-law applies to ALL matches, not just those organized directly by BCGBA.

Organisers of competitions, green managers, team captains and any other official responsible for matches, **should prevent a player from commencing a match if they are not abiding by the byelaw.**

It is hoped that players will see the benefits of doing so and, therefore, there will not be any **need for officials to prevent them from commencing their match.**

It is not a Law of the Game and, therefore, no punishment can be applied if a player is found not to be abiding by the byelaw **during a game.**

A player with a medical condition that means they must wear open-toed footwear/sandals can apply for a medical dispensation to allow them to do so. They should apply in writing, including a letter from their doctor/consultant explaining the reasons for requesting the dispensation. This written request should be sent to the BCGRS secretary David Williams.