



## Use of Chemicals Policy

### Background

Croquet Australia recognises the rights of all individual members to be protected from any adverse effects caused by chemicals used to maintain courts and its responsibility to ensure that this is considered by clubs and associations that provide venues on which its members play.

### Authority

This policy is made under the provisions of the Croquet Australia Constitution, s29, and is binding on Members, including affiliated clubs, under s29.2(c).

### Policy

The purchase, storage, handling and application of chemicals to courts including, but not limited to, herbicides, fungicides, miticides, vermicides, etc., is to be in accordance with the relevant state's Workplace Health & Safety Act and any and all legislation or regulations regarding the use of such chemicals.

In addition, if not already prescribed by such legislation or regulations, the following requirements are to be met:

- Prior to application: Members are to be advised in advance of the intention to apply chemicals and of the intended date of application.
- During application: Chemicals are not to be applied in the presence of players.
- After application: A notice is to be displayed in a prominent location where players will see it when proceeding to the courts, advising of the date of application of chemicals and any necessary precautions, such as washing of hands after play. This notice may be removed when all danger of contamination has elapsed.

Clubs that employ contractors to apply chemicals are to ensure that the above conditions are included in any contract/agreement papers.

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