



# MEASURING

Measuring is carried out by the three in a game of fours, the second in triples, the lead in pairs, and in singles by the players concerned.



How many times do we see the measurers walking round and round the head trying to decide who has it or how many shots there are? This is particularly frustrating in a time limit game. The rules provide that the team who played the last bowl on the end should measure but this does not preclude the opposition stepping in to measure.

An initial approach to visually check who has the shot, is to form an imaginary triangle using the two bowls as the base of a triangle and the jack at the top.

Deciding the score on an end may entail more than just looking at the head and removing any shot bowls. Measuring is done with the use of callipers, tape or sometimes even feeler gauges.

Using callipers or tape - clear the head of any bowls not in the measure; always measure the bowl with the least chance of moving, first; rest your hands on the mat wherever possible adjusting the width of the callipers away from the bowls. NB - moving the bowl or jack in measuring may result in conceding the shot.

Take a little bit of time to be more accurate with the first bowl - this will save time readjusting callipers or tape over and over again. Angle the callipers to align with the fattest parts of both the bowl and the jack or motion the end of the tape up and down or side to side.



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