1st ISC GRAND SENIORS INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. ORGANIZATION

This international bowling tournament is organized by Par Excel Singapore in collaboration with Penang Tenpin Bowling Association. It is sanctioned by the Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress (MTBC), Asian Bowling Federation (ABF) and World Bowling (WB). Hence, 2018 WB Playing Rules & Regulations will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Local and overseas bowlers aged 60 and above as at 22 October 2018 are eligible to participate in this tournament. All participants must be certified by their own National Federation that they are members of the Federation. Their National Federations must also be current paid up members of WB Zones.

3. CLASSIFICATION

There will be only 1 category, the Open Category and all participants (male or female) will bowl under this category

4. HANDICAP

4a. Male bowlers will get a handicap of 1 pin per year from age 66 onwards (ages as at 22 October 2018, please see Males' Handicap Table). The maximum handicap for a male bowler is 20 pins.

4b. Female bowlers will get a handicap of 12 pins at age 60 and thereafter, from age 61 onwards, the handicap will increase by 2 pins per year (ages as at 22 October 2018, please see Females' Handicap Table). The maximum handicap for the female bowler is 50 pins.

4c. The handicap is given for each game played and is applicable throughout the tournament.

5. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Bowlers will compete in the TEAM OF FOUR (4 games per bowler) DOUBLES (6 games per bowler), SINGLES (6 games per bowler). The 16 games played will constitute the ALL-EVENTS. The ALL-EVENTS position standing will decide the Qualifiers for the Masters Semi-Finals.

6. MASTERS SEMI-FINALS

The top 40 bowlers from the All-Events position standing will qualify for the Masters Semi-Finals. Each bowler will bowl a series of 4 games from scratch, with handicap, where applicable.

7. MASTERS FINAL

The top 20 from the Semi-Finals position standing and another 10 bowlers (from a random draw of the other 20 bowlers) will qualify for the Masters Grand Final. Each bowler will bowl another series of 4 games, from scratch, with handicap, where applicable. The 4th and final game will be the Position Round game. Total pinfalls with handicap, where applicable will determine the winners for each category.

8. REGISTRATION OF ENTRIES

Only entries which are duly completed and fully paid will be confirmed as registered entries. The Tournament Director reserves the right to accept or reject an entry, postpone, add/or cancel any squad.

9. REFUND

No refund shall be made after an entry has been registered and accepted. A participant who fails to show up for the scheduled squad shall be disqualified from participation in that squad and the entry fee forfeited.

10. CHECK-IN TIME: MASTERS SEMI-FINALS & FINAL

All participants must check-in at the tournament counter at least 30 minutes before the scheduled time for the Masters Semi-Finals and Final, failing which they shall be disqualified and the reserve(s) called. The clock in Classic Bowl Bukit Jambul shall be the official timepiece.

11. CHECK-IN TIME: SINGLES. DOUBLES & TEAM EVENTS

For the Singles, Doubles and Team Events, late-comers will commence at the frame that the bowler/s on his/her pair of lanes are bowling.

12. DRESS CODE (BOWLER'S ATTIRE)

Bowlers are required to be properly and appropriately attired for bowling. If a bowler is not appropriately attired, he/she may not be permitted to bowl. No offensive writing or pictures may be on any part of your bowling attire.

Male bowlers: No sleeveless shirts and/or shorts and no denim pants/trousers are allowed.

Women: Must use appropriate bowling shirts/blouses. No sleeveless or string strap blouses or denim attire are allowed. Traditional skirts or shorts shall be allowed.

13. BOWLING BALLS

It is the bowler's responsibility to ensure that all bowling balls used are legal. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to examine balls used by participants, in particular prior to the start of the Masters Finals championship match to assure fairness to all vying for the title(s). Use of an illegal ball is a ground for disqualification and forfeiture of game, prizes and position standings, aside from such other penalties that may be imposed if use of an illegal ball is proven.

14. PLAYING AREA

Other than the players and team officials, only tournament officials are allowed in the bowlers' area. When leaving the bowlers' area during the competition, the bowler is to inform the Referees or Tournament Official. Eating, drinking and smoking are not allowed in the bowlers' area.

15. PARTICIPATION FEES

Each participant will pay US\$300/-, or US\$1200/- per team. The fees will cover the games for the All-Events, Masters Semi-Finals and Masters Final, souvenirs and invitation to the Welcome Reception and Victory Banquet Ball. A non-participant will pay US\$120/- for the souvenirs, and invitation to attend the Welcome Reception and Victory Banquet.

16. PRIZES AND AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded in the form of cash vouchers and trophies/medals. Please see Prizes' List. (Note: the Prize List is based on 120 entries, if there are more than 120 entries, the Prizes will be increased accordingly.

17. TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES

In case of tie in the Singles, Doubles, Team and All-events: co- winners will be declared and the prize monies will be shared accordingly (in a tie for 1st position, there will be no 2nd position, but a 3rd position only).

Masters Semi-Finals: In the event of a tie in the last placed qualifier for the Masters Finals, the 9th and 10th frame shall be bowled, and/or repeated until the tie is broken.

Masters Finals: In the event of a tie in the position standings, The bowler with the lower difference between their highest and lowest games bowled during the Masters Finals will be placed at the higher position in the Finals standings.

18. VERIFICATION OF SCORES

Bowlers are to ensure that the correct score for each game bowled is recorded by signing on the official score sheet, which will be used as the official score record.

19. INTERRUPTED GAME(S)

The Tournament Director may authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of lanes when equipment failure on the lanes would delay the normal progress of the series. An interrupted game or series that cannot be completed must resume from the point of interruption. In the event the score of any game is lost/erased and cannot be recalled and/or traced due to power or equipment failure, the bowler concerned will be required to re-bowl a new game when the power supply is resumed or equipment is repaired. However, all scores of completed games that have been recorded on the official score sheet shall remain unchanged.

20. PROTESTS

Eligibility: protests involving eligibility must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director or his appointed official.

Errors in scoring: errors in scoring or errors in calculation will be corrected by tournament officials immediately upon discovery of such errors. Protests involving errors in scoring will only be entertained if such protests are brought to the attention of tournament officials on the spot.

Fouls: protests involving fouls must be brought to the attention of the Referee before delivery of the next ball. No protests will be entertained after the bowler has made his/her second delivery of the frame.

All other protests: protests involving the All-events game(s) must be lodged with the Tournament Director in writing, not later than 2 hours after the completion of the squad in which the protest has arisen. When a protest involves the Masters Semi-Finals and Finals, such a protest must be lodged with the Tournament Director on the spot.

Withholding of prizes: when a protest is lodged involving the final positions in any event and pending the decision of appeals to either MTBC/ABF, the Tournament Director reserves the right to withhold presentation of the prizes for the event pending the outcome of the appeal.

21. INTERPRETATION CLAUSE

Any matters arising that are not covered in these Rules and Regulations will be decided by the Tournament Director in accordance to the 2018 WB Playing Rules & Regulations. The decision of the Tournament Director shall be final, subject only to an appeal to MTBC, which must be made in writing within one week of the decision.

22. TOURNAMENT VENUE Mega Mall Bowling Center 4-03,2828,Jalan Baru, Bandar Perai Jaya, 13600 Seberang Perai,

24. OFFICIAL HOTEL

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