

2nd Saudi International Bowling Championship

Rules

General Rules:

- Saudi International Championship is open to all male professional and amateur bowlers regardless of nationality within or outside the Kingdom.
- Championship will be held from 5 to April 21, 2008.
- In all cases, the decisions of the Organizing Committee are to be abided, final and binding.
- It is the responsibility of the bowler to verify the correctness of each game bowled by signing the result sheet which will be used as an official score record. Once signed, the scores shall stand the same.
- In the event of the official score sheet not being signed for any reason, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to refuse acceptance of the result sheet.
- In case of lane breakdown, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to re-arrange bowlers on other lane.
- Qualification system will be through multiple entries, each entry will be 3 games and the best 3 entries will be counted to each player (total of 9 games).
- The final round will use knock out system and the one who lose in 2 matches will be out of the competition.
- There will be live coverage by the press and TV for this Championship
- The total awards for this Championship (US\$172,000) One hundred and seventy two thousand dollars.

Qualification round 5/4 – 18/4/2008

- Qualification round start on 5th till 18th April, 2008.
- Qualification shall be conducted through squad system
- To qualify, player needs to play minimum of 3 entries (total of 9 games)
- Top 48 players will be qualified to the finals as follows:
 - Top 7 players in the qualification + top Saudi player who will be classified in eighth position, these top 8 players will be qualified to the finals
 - Players whose positions 9 to 44 in the qualification round + top 4 Saudi players will qualify to the Semifinal round.
- In case of tie between players in this round, the difference between the highest and lowest entries will be counted, if tie continued, the difference between the highest and lowest game in all 3 entries will be counted, if the tie continued, the player who made the first record or score will be qualified.

Semifinal on 19/4/2008

- Players whose positions 9 to 44 in the qualification round + top 4 Saudi players will play six games plus their total in the qualification round (Carry Over Total) to determine the positions of the 22 who will qualify to the finals + the top 2 Saudi players in this round.
- If there are no Saudi players out of the top 22, the players of positions 23 & 24 will qualified to the final rounds.
- In case of tie in this round frames (9 & 10) will be played to break the tie.
- The losers in this round will get the prizes of positions 33 to 48.

- Finals on 20-21/4/2008
- In this round only the winners from the Semifinal round will participate (24 players) plus the top 8 players from the qualification round (total of 32 players).
- In this round, the loser in 2 matches will be out of the competition.
- The finals will contain 9 rounds as a knock out round, each round contain 2 games in each match.
- In case of tie in this round, frames (9 & 10) will be played until the tie breaks.

Round 1:

- The 32 qualified players will play 16 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will be qualified to group A, and the losers will be qualified to group B.

Round 2:

- The players in group A will play 8 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group A and the losers will move to group B.
- The players in group B will play 8 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 25 to 32.

Round 3:

- The players in group B will play 8 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 17 to 24.

Round 4:

- The players in group A will play 4 matches (see attachment) and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group A and the losers will move to group B.
- The players in group B will play 4 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 13 to 16.

Round 5:

- The players in group B will play 4 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 9 to 12

Round 6:

- The players in group A will play 2 matches (see attachment) and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group A and the losers will move to group B.
- The players in group B will play 2 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 7 & 8.

Round 7:

- The players in group B will play 2 matches (see attachment), and the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of positions 5 & 6.

Round 8:

- The players in group A will play 1 match (see attachment), the winner of total 2 games will be qualified to the final match and the losers meet the winner in group B.

- The players in group B will play 1 match (see attachment), the winner of total 2 games will continue in group B, and the losers will get the prizes of the 4th position.

Round 9:

- The loser in group A will play against the winner in group B and the winner of total 2 games will be qualified to the final match, and the loser will get the prize of the 3rd position.

Final match:

- The winner in group B will play against the winner of group A and he needs to win in 2 games to be announced champion of this tournament, while the winner of group A needs to win in one game to be announced champion of this tournament.

SPECIAL PROVISION

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to decide on unforeseen situations, disputes, and any other matters not covered by this tournament rules are to be abided, final and binding.