

# SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL SKILLS CHALLENGE 2025

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# RULES & REGULATIONS

## ORGANISATION & SANCTION

1.1 THE SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL SKILLS CHALLENGE 2025 IS ORGANIZED BY THE AMATEUR BOWLING (TENPIN) ASSOCIATION OF SARAWAK (ABAS) AND SANCTIONED BY MALAYSIAN TENPIN BOWLING CONGRESS (MTBC), ASIAN BOWLING FEDERATION (ABF) AND INTERNATIONAL BOWLING FEDERATION (IBF). INTERNATIONAL BOWLING FEDERATION (IBF) UNIVERSAL PLAYING RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL APPLY ON MATTERS NOT COVERED HEREIN.

THIS CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE HELD FROM 13TH TO 18TH MAY 2025 AT MEGALANES EAST @BINTANG MALL, MIRI, SARAWAK.

## ELIGIBILITY

THIS TOURNAMENT IS OPEN TO ALL CURRENT PAID UP MEMBERS OF ABAS, MTBC, ABF & IBF AFFILIATES. ALL LOCAL PARTICIPANTS MUST SHOW PROOF BY PRODUCING THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARDS OR RECEIPTS FOR EXAMINATION.

ALL OVERSEAS PARTICIPANTS MUST OBTAIN CLEARANCE FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONAL TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATIONS OR CONGRESS.

ONLY POLY-URETHANE AND POLYESTER BOWLING BALLS IN THE USBC APPROVED LIST ARE ALLOWED. URETHANE AND REACTIVE BOWLING BALLS ARE STRICTLY NOT ALLOWED.

## AVERAGES

3.1 ONLY OFFICIAL AVERAGE OF MTBC WILL BE USED. OVERSEAS BOWLERS MUST PRODUCE WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF THEIR AVERAGES FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OR CONGRESS. ANY BOWLER UNABLE TO OBTAIN AN OFFICIAL AVERAGE FROM THEIR ASSOCIATION/CONGRESS WILL BE DEEMED AS 205 AVERAGE.

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## CLASSIFICATIONS

### MAIN DIVISION

4.1.1 OPEN - OPEN TO ALL BOWLERS.

### 4.2 SUB DIVISION

4.2.1 10&U - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN IN 2015 OR AFTER ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

4.2.2 A11 TO 13 - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN BETWEEN THE YEAR OF 2012 TO 2014 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION

4.2.3 A14 TO 16 - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN BETWEEN THE YEAR OF 2009 TO 2011 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

4.2.4 A17 TO 19 - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN BETWEEN THE YEAR OF 2006 TO 2008 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

4.2.5 A20 TO 22 - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN BETWEEN THE YEAR OF 2005 TO 2003 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

4.2.6 SPINNER - ALL SPINNER/UFO BOWLERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

4.2.7 SENIOR W&M - ALL BOWLERS WHO WERE BORN IN THE YEAR OF 1975 AND BEFORE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES IN THIS SUB DIVISION.

### 4.3 SPECIAL AWARD

4.3.1 SPARE SUPREMO - ALL BOWLERS WHO RECORDED THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF SPARES THROUGHOUT THE 3-DAYS OF QUALIFYING.

4.3.2 STRIKE SUPREMO - ALL BOWLERS WHO RECORDED THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF STRIKES THROUGHOUT THE 3-DAYS OF QUALIFYING.

ALL SUB-DIVISION AND SPECIAL AWARD PRIZES WILL BE BASED ON THE PINFALLS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE 3-DAYS QUALIFYING SQUADS.



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## REGISTRATION OF ENTRIES / SQUAD TIMES / RE-ENTRY

5.1 ALL FULLY PAID ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARIAT BY TBA JUNE 2025 BY 8.00 P.M. (MALAYSIAN LOCAL TIME).

5.2 NO REFUNDS WILL BE ENTERTAINED.

5.3 ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF LANES AND SQUAD TIME. THE CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT AN ENTRY, POSTPONE, ADD/CANCEL ANY SQUAD TIME.

5.4 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SLOTS PER-SQUAD IS CAPPED AT 40 BOWLERS.

5.5 RE-ENTRIES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF SLOTS FOR EVERY SQUADS. BOWLERS WHO WISHES TO DO THEIR RE-ENTRY CAN ONLY REGISTER AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THEIR PRIMARY SQUADS. THE CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT AN ENTRY, POSTPONE, ADD/CANCEL ANY SQUAD TIME.

## CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIAL OIL PATTERN

ALL MASTERS QUALIFYING SHALL BE PLAYED ON SSC2025 OFFICIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS OILING PATTERNS.

DAY #1 – 36' SSC2025

DAY #2 – 41' SSC2025

DAY #3 – 46' SSC2025

ALL MASTERS FINALS SHALL BE PLAYED ON THE MEDIUM SCORING PATTERN OF THE 3 PATTERNS DURING QUALIFYING.

## MASTERS QUALIFYING

### 7.1 OPEN

7.1.1 BOWLERS WILL BOWL 4 GAMES IN THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS, DIVIDED OVER 3 BLOCKS OF 4 GAMES EACH, ON THE OFFICIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS OILING PATTERN OVER 3 DAYS.

7.1.2 TOP 40 BOWLERS FROM THE QUALIFYING STAGES WILL PROCEED TO THE OPEN MASTERS FINALS.

## MASTERS FINAL

### 8.1 OPEN MASTERS FINAL

8.1.1 FINALIST WILL BOWL A TOTAL OF 8 GAMES. BOWLER WITH THE HIGHEST TOTAL PINFALLS WITH HANDICAP AFTER 8 GAMES WILL BE DECLARED AS THE SSC2025 CHAMPION AND SO ON.

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## HANDICAP

OPEN DIVISION	HANDICAP	HANDICAP FOR SENIORS	HANDICAP
<b>MEN</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>SENIOR 50 AND ABOVE 1 (BORN ON OR BEFORE 1975)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>SENIOR 51 TO 55 (BORN 1970 TO 1974)</b>	<b>7</b>
CATEGORIES FOR ADDITIONAL HANDICAP		<b>SENIOR 56 TO 60 (BORN FROM 1965 TO 1969)</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>OKU – PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED</b>	<b>+5</b>	<b>SENIOR 61 TO 65 (BORN FROM 1964 TO 1960)</b>	<b>11</b>
ADDITIONAL HANDICAP FOR JUNIORS		<b>SENIOR 56 TO 60 (BORN FROM 1965 TO 1969)</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>JUNIORS 13 &amp; BELOW (2012 &amp; AFTER)</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>SENIOR 66 &amp; ABOVE (BORN FROM 1959 &amp; BEFORE)</b>	<b>15</b>



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## FEES

THE ENTRY FEES FOR QUALIFYING ROUNDS ARE AS FOLLOWS;

RM 500.00 SSC2025

RM 200.00 SSC2025 MASTERS FINALS

RM 180.00 SSC2025 RE-ENTRY

## PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

11.1 PLEASE REFER TO THE "PRIZE DISTRIBUTION" SCHEDULE.

## TIE BREAKING RULES

12.1 ANY TIE FOR THE TOP 3 POSITIONS WILL BE DECIDED BY A 1-BALL-ROLL-OFF UNTIL THE TIE IS BROKEN.

12.2 ANY TIE FOR QUALIFICATION TO THE NEXT ROUND OF PLAY WILL BE DECIDED BY A 1-BALL-ROLL-OFF UNTIL THE TIE IS BROKEN.

12.3 ANY TIE FOR MONEY POSITIONS WILL BE DECIDED BY THE HIGHEST LAST GAME. IF A TIE STILL OCCURS ON THE LAST GAME THEN THE HIGHEST SECOND LAST GAME WILL BE THE TIE-BREAKER AND SO ON TILL TIE IS BROKEN.

## GENERAL PLAYING RULES

13.1 NO JEANS ALLOWED FOR MALE AND FEMALE BOWLERS THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT.

13.2 NO SLEEVELESS SHIRT AND SHORTS FOR MALE BOWLERS THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT.

13.3 NO OBJECTIONS TO THE FINAL RESULTS WILL BE ENTERTAINED AFTER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION.

13.4 THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY ENTRY AS THEY DEEM FIT. ANY MATTERS ARISING THAT IS NOT COVERED IN THE TOURNAMENT RULES, WILL BE DECIDED BY THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE WHOSE DECISION IS FINAL, SUBJECT ONLY TO AN APPEAL TO ABAS. SUCH AN APPEAL MUST BE MADE IN WRITING WITHIN 24 HOURS OF THE DECISION OF THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE.

13.5 SHOULD THE APPEAL INVOLVE POSITION STANDINGS IN ANY EVENT OF THE TOURNAMENT, IT IS THE PREROGATIVE OF THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE TO WITHHOLD PRESENTATION OF PRIZES FOR THAT EVENT UNTIL THE DETERMINATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE APPEAL.

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## **13.6 SLOW BOWLING / LANE COURTESY**

**13.6.1 PLAYERS SHALL BE READY TO BOWL WHEN IT IS THEIR TURN AND SHALL NOT DELAY THE START OF THEIR APPROACH OR DELIVERY WHEN THE PAIRS IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THEM ON BOTH THE RIGHT AND LEFT ARE CLEAR (ONE (1) PAIR LANE COURTESY).**

**13.6.2 COMPETITORS MUST OBSERVE ONE (1) PAIR LANE COURTESY AT ALL TIMES. COMPETITORS ON THE SAME PAIR MAY NOT BOWL CONSECUTIVE DELIVERIES WITHOUT ALLOWING ONE (1) COMPETITOR FROM THE PAIR TO THE RIGHT AND ONE (1) COMPETITOR FROM THE PAIR TO THE LEFT HAVE MADE A DELIVERY, UNLESS THOSE COMPETITORS ARE NOT READY TO BOWL OR THEY GIVE WAY.**

**13.6.3 IF A PLAYER DOES NOT OBSERVE THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPHS 12.7.1 AND**

**12.7.2, IT SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS SLOW BOWLING. A PLAYER FAILING TO OBSERVE THESE PROCEDURES SHALL BE WARNED BY AN AUTHORIZED TOURNAMENT OFFICIAL AS FOLLOWS:**

- A) A WHITE CARD FOR THE FIRST OFFENCE (NO PENALTY)**
- B) A YELLOW CARD FOR THE SECOND OFFENCE (NO PENALTY)**
- C) A RED CARD FOR THE THIRD AND EACH SUCCEEDING OFFENCE IN ANY BLOCK OF GAMES – THE PENALTY SHALL BE A ZERO PIN FALL FOR THE FRAME.**