

# **SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENPIN BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIP 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2017

Megalanes Sarawak, Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia.

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## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

### **1. *Championship Organization and Sanction***

The Sarawak International Open Tenpin Bowling Championship 2017 is organized by Amateur Bowling (Tenpin) Association of Sarawak (ABAS) and sanctioned by Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress (MTBC), Asian Bowling Federation (ABF) and World Bowling (WB). It will be conducted in accordance to WB Playing Rules.

### **2. *Eligibility***

This Tournament is open to all current paid up members of ABAS, MTBC, ABF & WB 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.

### **3. *Averages***

Only official average of MTBC will be used. Overseas bowlers must produce written confirmation of their averages from their respective National Association or Congress.

### **4. *Classifications***

Competition will be divided into Open, Classified and Youth divisions.

- 4.1 Open - All bowlers including graded and youth are eligible to participate in this division.

- 4.2 Classified - All male and female bowlers including youth are eligible to participate in this division. All male bowlers with an average of **200 and below** and all female bowlers with an average of **195 and below** are eligible to participate in this division.
- 4.3 Youth Open - All male and female bowlers who were born in the year of 1996 and after are eligible to participate in this division.

## 5. **Format**

5.1 There are (3) Three Divisions in this tournament:

### 5.1.1 *Open Division*

- a) Open to all Certified Foreign and Local bowlers of ABAS, MTBC and ABF-WB.
- b) Handicap according to average for bowlers will be as follows;

<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>HANDICAP</b>
201 & Above	0
200 - 190	5
189 & Below	10

<b>ADDITIONAL HANDICAP</b>
Female +5
OKU (Physically Handicap) +5
SENIOR 50 & Above (Born on or before 1967) – +1 pin per year up to a maximum of +10 pins

- c) Bowlers will bowl 16 games in the qualifying rounds, divided over 2 blocks of 8 games each, on different oil pattern; 38' and 43' over 2 days.
- d) Top 40 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Open Masters Finals. The oil pattern for the Open Masters Finals will be of highest scoring average pattern during the 2 days of qualifying.
- e) Open Masters Finalists will bowl 8 games and the top 6 will then proceed to the next round.

- f) 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> seed will then bowl the Quarter-finals in a one (1) game roll-off. Winner will then proceed to the Semi-finals. Final placing for positions 5 and 6 will then be determined by earlier seeding. The higher seed will be placed higher.
- g) 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> seed and Quarter-final winner will then bowl the Semi-finals in a one (1) game roll-off. Winner will then proceed to the Stepladder Final. Final placing for positions 3 and 4 will then be determined by earlier seeding. The higher seed will be placed higher.
- h) The Stepladder Final will be played in the 1+1 Repechage format. If the 1<sup>st</sup> seed wins the first match, he/she will be declared as the Champion. If the Challenger wins the first game, then there will be a sudden death game to determine the Champion.

**Handicap will apply throughout the tournament rounds including all the Stepladder Rounds.**

5.1.2 *Classified Division:*

- a) Open to all Certified Foreign and Local bowlers of ABF-WB, MTBC, ABAS with a certified average of less than 201 for male and 196 for female bowlers. There will be only One Division. Bowlers may opt to join exclusively only the Classified Division, or bowl Classified and Open Division. Scores will be taken from the respective Divisions that the participant bowled in.
- b) Handicap according to average for bowlers will be as follows;

AVERAGE	HANDICAP
200 - 190	0
189 - 180	5
179 & Below	10

ADDITIONAL HANDICAP
Female +5
OKU (Physically Handicap) +5
SENIOR 50 & Above (Born on or before 1967) – +1 pin per year up to a maximum of +10 pins

- c) Bowlers will bowl 16 games in the qualifying rounds, divided over 2 blocks of 8 games each, on different oil pattern; 38' and 43' over 2 days.
- d) Top 40 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Classified Masters Finals. The oil pattern for the Classified Masters Finals will be of highest scoring average pattern during the 2 days of qualifying.
- e) The Classified Masters Finals will be bowled over 10 games.
- f) The bowler with the highest pinfalls including handicap after 10 games will be declared as the Classified Champion.

5.1.3 *Youth Division:*

- a) Open to all Certified Foreign and Local Youth bowlers of ABF-WB, MTBC, ABAS born January 1, 1996 and after. There will be only One Division. Bowlers may opt to join exclusively only the Youth Division, or bowl Youth and any one or all of the Divisions (Open or/and Classified) where they are eligible to join. Scores will be taken from the respective Divisions that the participant bowled in.
- b) Handicap according to average for bowlers will be as follows;

<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>HANDICAP</b>
201 & Above	0
200 - 190	5
189 & Below	10

<b>ADDITIONAL HANDICAP</b>
Female +5
OKU (Physically Handicap) +5

- c) Bowlers will bowl 16 games in the qualifying rounds, divided over 2 blocks of 8 games each, on different oil pattern; 38' and 43' over 2 days.

- d) Top 40 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Youth Masters Finals. The oil pattern for the Youth Masters Finals will be of highest scoring average pattern during the 2 days of qualifying.
- e) The Youth Masters Finals will be bowled over 8 games.
- f) The bowler with the highest pinfalls including handicap after 8 games will be declared as the Youth Champion.

## **6. Fees**

6.1 The entry fees for Qualifying Rounds are as follows;

- a) RM800.00 (for Open Division Only)
- b) RM700.00 (for Classified Division Only)
- c) RM500.00 (for Youth Division Only)
- d) RM1,000.00 (for Classified and Open Division)
- e) RM800.00 (for Youth and Classified Division)
- f) RM1,000.00 (for Youth and Open Division)
- g) RM1,200.00 (for Youth, Classified and Open Division)

6.2 The Masters Final Fees are as follows;

- a) RM250.00 (Open Division)
- b) RM200.00 (Classified Division)
- c) RM150.00 (Youth Division)

## **7. General Playing Rules**

- 7.1 No **Jeans** allowed for male and female bowlers throughout the tournament.
- 7.2 No sleeveless shirt and shorts for male bowlers throughout the tournament.
- 7.3 Any tie for qualification to the next round of play or placing for prize money positions will be decided by a 1-Ball-Roll-Off until the tie is broken.
- 7.4 No objections to the final results will be entertained after the prize presentation.
- 7.5 The Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry as they deem fit. Any matter 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 48 hours of the decision of the Tournament Committee.

- 7.6 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.