



4th Khalid bin Hamad Bowling Tournament

Rules & Regulations

Start: 30th November 2026 **Finish:** 12th December 2026

Total prizes worth U\$ 65,000

Competition Venue:

- Funland Bowling Centre

Registration fees:

1. BBA Sponsors Players: **\$160 (60 BHD) Bahraini Dinars (will include a t-shirt and 2 Trails)**
2. Registration fees for Others: **\$320 (120 BHD) (will include a T-shirt and 2 Trails)**
3. Each trail (5 games):
 - **\$80 (30 BHD) BBA Sponsors Players.**
 - **\$135 (50 BHD) for others.**
4. **Round 1: \$40 (15 BHD)**
5. **Desperado: \$80 (30 BHD)**

Competition Schedule:

1. **Qualification round:** 30th November to 10th December 2026
2. **Desperado:** 10th December 2026 **(11:45 PM)**
3. **Round 1:** 11th December 2026 **(1:00 PM)**
4. **Round 2:** 11th December 2026 **(4:00 PM)**
5. **Round 3:** 11th December 2026 **(7:00 PM)**
6. **Round 4:** 12th December 2026 **(3:00 PM)**
7. **Semi Final Round:** 12th December 2026 **(6:00 PM)**
8. **Final round:** 12th December 2026 **(7:30 PM)**

Prizes: 100 BHD for the 1st Perfect Game

Tournament Rules & Regulations:

General Guidelines: -

- All participants must read and understand the rules before competing to avoid any misunderstandings.
- Registration will take place at **Funland**.
- The official tournament T-shirt must be worn during all matches.
- **Shorts are not allowed** in any round of the competition.
- **Smoking is strictly prohibited** during the tournament.
- **Late arrivals** will be given zero score for the missed frames
- Entry fees paid are **non-refundable** and non-transferable to another participant
- When a player deliberately **fouls** to benefit by the calling of a foul, the player shall be credited with zero pin fall for that delivery and not allowed further deliveries in that frame.

Early Bird Spots

- The **best One players** from each day (based on the highest two blocks on **30th November and 01st December 2026**) will be allocated early bird spots, **totalling Two players**.
- If a player qualifies for the Early Bird round but continues to play additional blocks and achieves a higher ranking, they will be eliminated from the reserved seats. Their spot will then be allocated to the **next highest-ranked player from the same day**. Each day will have one reserved seat based on the rankings of that specific day (**30th November and 01st December**).

Trial Format

- Each trial consists of **5 games**.
- The **best 2 blocks of 5 games** (10 games total) will be considered.
- **Players can play a maximum of 8 blocks (2 blocks + 6 additional blocks).**
- **Minimum of 4 players per pair** are allowed on the field during trials.
- **Female bowlers** will receive a **7-pin handicap per game**.
- **Junior bowlers (aged 17 or younger as of 30 November 2026)** will receive a **7-pin handicap per game**.
- Players will play 5 games (squad) on different lanes (**Left to left and Right to Right**)

Qualification & Tie-Breakers

- In the event of a tie in the qualification round, the bowler with the **highest individual game from the two blocks** will be given preference.

Oil Pattern & Equipment Rules

- The **oiling pattern** TBC.
- **Oil will be applied before each squad.**

Desperado

- Only bowlers who have **bowled 6 squad or more** qualifying are eligible to bowl the desperado.
- The event will be played after the last squad on **Thursday, December 10th, 2026, at 11:45 PM**.
- Players will play **one game**.
- The highest 2 bowlers will advance to round 1, positions 33 & 34.
- In the event of a tie in this round the players will **be played frame 9 and 10 until the tie is broken**.
- Each player will compete in **one single lane only** and will not switch lanes during their game.

No-Show Policy

- Any player who fails to appear for their match from Round One onward will be considered a “bye”.
- No reserved players will be advanced in place of a no-show player on all rounds.

Late Arrival Policy

- Players arriving late will be penalized with a **zero score** for up to five frames.
- After frame sixth the player will be eliminated to the next game only.
- If a late player arrives **before the fifth frame, they can join the game from the frame currently in play**.

Ball Maintenance Restriction

- No ball servicing (cleaning, resurfacing, or adjustments) will be allowed before or **during tie-breaker frames**.
- Ball sanding is allowed only after **each block**.

Coach Access Regulation

- Only **one official coach or official from any federation** will be permitted in the player's area during the tournament.

Slow bowling / Lane Courtesy

- 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).
- Players must observe one (1) pair lane courtesy at all times. Players on the same pair may not bowl consecutive deliveries without allowing one (1) Players from the pair to the right and one (1) player from the pair to the left have made a delivery, unless those players are not ready to bowl or they give way.
- The 30-second rule generally applies from the time the bowler picks up the ball or steps onto the approach until they release the ball.
- If a bowler exceeds the time limit, they may receive a warning for the first offense.
- Repeated violations can result in penalties, such as a zero score (foul) for that delivery.

Restricted ball

- Purple hammer ball manufactured in 2016 and 2017 are restricted.

Schedule & Squads

- The tournament will have **4 blocks per day**:
 - **11:00 AM**
 - **2:30 PM**
 - **6:00 PM**
 - **9:30 PM**
- The **last day of trials** is on **Thursday, December 10th, 2026, at 9:30 PM**.
- The **tournament committee** reserves the right to increase the number of blocks and players per pair if needed.

Tournament Timetable:

Qualification Round	
Date	Time
30 th November to 10 th December 2026	Squads • 11:00 AM • 2:30 PM • 6:00 PM • 9:30 PM
Desperado (1 game)	
Date	Time
10 th December 2026	11:45 PM
Round 1 (Qualifies positions 17 – 36) (6 games)	
Date	Time
11 th December 2026	1:00 PM
Round 2 (Qualifies positions 9 – 16) + (Top 8 bowlers from Round 1) (WSC format)	
Date	Time
11 th December 2026	4:00 PM
Round 3 (Qualifies positions 1 – 8) + (Top 8 bowlers from Round 2) (WSC format)	
Date	Time
11 th December 2026	7:00 PM
Round 4 Top 8 Player (WSC format)	
Date	Time
12 th December 2026	3:00 PM
Semi Final (Match Game)	
12 th December 2026	6:00 PM
Final (Match Game)	
12 th December 2026	7:30 PM

Qualifying Round: -

Bowlers must complete 10 games. Qualified in 2 blocks of 5 games

Round 1: -

- The **top 20 bowlers** based on total pinfall will qualify for round 1 ranked as follows: - (6 Games)
 - Position 17 - 26 Ranked **Open** for Round 1
 - Position 27 - 28 Two Highest Ranked **Female** qualifies for Round 1
 - Position 29 - 30 Two Highest-Ranked Junior Players, born on or after 30 November 2008.
 - Position 31 - 32 Two Highest-Ranked Senior Players, born on or before 30 November 1976
 - Position 33 - 34 Two Highest Ranked **Early Bird Spots** qualifies for Round 1
 - Position 35 - 36 Two Highest Ranked **Desperado** qualifies for Round 1
 - The 20 qualifiers will play 6 games on different lanes (**Left to left and Right to Right**)

Pos	Ctry	ID	Bowler Name	Ser1	Ser2	Total Pinful	Ave	Cut
Position 17 - 26 qualifies for Round 1								
17	Open							
18	Open							
19	Open							
20	Open							
21	Open							
22	Open							
23	Open							
24	Open							
25	Open							
26	Open							
Position 27 - 28 Two Highest Ranked Female qualifies for Round 1								
27	Open							
28	Open							
Position 29 - 30 Two Highest Ranked Junior Players (born on or after 30 November 2008)								
29	Open							
30	Open							
Position 31 - 32 Two Highest Ranked Senior Players (born on or before 30 November 1976)								
31	Open							
32	Open							
Position 33 - 34 Two Highest Ranked Early Bird Spots qualifies for Round 1								
33	Open							
34	Open							
Position 35 - 36 Two Highest Ranked Desperado qualifies for Round 1								
35	Open							
36	Open							

Round 2: - (Match Game)

- Players **ranked 9 – 16** based on total pinfall
- Plus **8 bowlers** from round 1
- Players will be **distributed into 4 groups** according to their prospective positions from Preliminary Round
- Players will bowl one game match in their pool according to a predetermined schedule

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Pos 9	Pos 10	Pos 11	Pos 12
Pos 16	Pos 15	Pos 14	Pos 13
Pos 17	Pos 18	Pos 19	Pos 20
Pos 24	Pos 23	Pos 22	Pos 21

- Points will be allocated on the following basis: -
 - 3 Points for a win
 - 1 point for a tie
 - No points for a Loss
- In the event of tie within a group in this round, 9th and 10th frame Roll Off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.
- **Top 2 players** from each group will advance to Round 3

Round 2		Lane															
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
G1	Game 1	G1 Pos 9	G1 Pos 16	G2 Pos 10	G2 Pos 15	G3 Pos 11	G3 Pos 14	G4 Pos 12	G4 Pos 13	G1 Pos 17	G1 Pos 24	G2 Pos 18	G2 Pos 23	G3 Pos 19	G3 Pos 22	G4 Pos 20	G4 Pos 21
G2	Game 2	G4 Pos 20	G4 Pos 13	G1 Pos 16	G1 Pos 17	G2 Pos 15	G2 Pos 18	G3 Pos 14	G3 Pos 19	G4 Pos 12	G4 Pos 21	G1 Pos 9	G1 Pos 24	G2 Pos 23	G2 Pos 10	G3 Pos 22	G3 Pos 11
G3	Game 3	G3 Pos 11	G3 Pos 19	G4 Pos 20	G4 Pos 12	G1 Pos 17	G1 Pos 9	G2 Pos 18	G2 Pos 10	G3 Pos 14	G3 Pos 22	G4 Pos 13	G4 Pos 21	G1 Pos 24	G1 Pos 16	G2 Pos 23	G2 Pos 15

Game 1		
Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up
Group 1	3	Pos 9 vs Pos 16
	4	
Group 2	5	Pos 10 vs Pos 15
	6	
Group 3	7	Pos 11 vs Pos 14
	8	
Group 4	9	Pos 12 vs Pos 13
	10	
Group 1	11	Pos 17 vs Pos 24
	12	
Group 2	13	Pos 18 vs Pos 23
	14	
Group 3	15	Pos 19 vs Pos 22
	16	
Group 4	17	Pos 20 vs Pos 21
	18	

Game 2		
Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up
Group 4	3	Pos 20 vs Pos 13
	4	
Group 1	5	Pos 16 vs Pos 17
	6	
Group 2	7	Pos 15 vs Pos 18
	8	
Group 3	9	Pos 14 vs Pos 19
	10	
Group 4	11	Pos 12 vs Pos 21
	12	
Group 1	13	Pos 9 vs Pos 24
	14	
Group 2	15	Pos 23 vs Pos 10
	16	
Group 3	17	Pos 22 vs Pos 11
	18	

Game 3		
Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up
Group 3	3	Pos 11 vs Pos 19
	4	
Group 4	5	Pos 20 vs Pos 12
	6	
Group 1	7	Pos 9 vs Pos 17
	8	
Group 2	9	Pos 18 vs Pos 10
	10	
Group 3	11	Pos 14 vs Pos 22
	12	
Group 4	13	Pos 21 vs Pos 13
	14	
Group 1	15	Pos 16 vs Pos 24
	16	
Group 2	17	Pos 23 vs Pos 15
	18	

Round 3: -

- Players ranked 1 - 6 based on total pinfall
- Plus Position 7 - Highest Ranked Bahraini qualifies
- Plus Position 8 - Highest Ranked Bahraini Youth qualifies
- Plus 2 players of each group from Round 2 will be distributed into 4 groups as per below table.
- Players will be **distributed into 4 groups according** to their prospective positions from Preliminary Round
- Players will bowl one game match in their pool according to a predetermined schedule
- Each group consists of 4 players.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Pos 1	Pos 2	Pos 3	Pos 4
Pos 8	Pos 7	Pos 6	Pos 5
Pos 9	Pos 10	Pos 11	Pos 12
Pos 16	Pos 15	Pos 14	Pos 13

- Points will be allocated on the following basis: -
 - 3 Points for a win
 - 1 point for a tie
 - No points for a Loss
- In the event of tie within a group in this round, 9th and 10th frame Roll Off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.
- **Top 2 players** from each group will advance to Round 4

Round 2		Lane															
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
G1																	
G2	Game 1	G1 Pos 1	G1 Pos 8	G2 Pos 2	G2 Pos 7	G3 Pos 3	G3 Pos 6	G4 Pos 4	G4 Pos 5	G1 Pos 9	G1 Pos 16	G2 Pos 10	G2 Pos 15	G3 Pos 11	G3 Pos 14	G4 Pos 12	G4 Pos 13
G3	Game 2	G4 Pos 4	G4 Pos 13	G1 Pos 1	G1 Pos 16	G2 Pos 2	G2 Pos 15	G3 Pos 3	G3 Pos 14	G4 Pos 5	G4 Pos 12	G1 Pos 9	G1 Pos 8	G2 Pos 10	G2 Pos 7	G3 Pos 11	G3 Pos 6
G4	Game 3	G3 Pos 11	G3 Pos 3	G4 Pos 4	G4 Pos 12	G1 Pos 1	G1 Pos 9	G2 Pos 2	G2 Pos 10	G3 Pos 14	G3 Pos 6	G4 Pos 5	G4 Pos 13	G1 Pos 8	G1 Pos 16	G2 Pos 7	G2 Pos 15

Game 1			Game 2			Game 3		
Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up	Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up	Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up
Group 1	3 4	Pos 1 vs Pos 8	Group 4	3 4	Pos 4 vs Pos 13	Group 3	3 4	Pos 11 vs Pos 3
Group 2	5 6	Pos 2 vs Pos 7	Group 1	5 6	Pos 1 vs Pos 16	Group 4	5 6	Pos 4 vs Pos 12
Group 3	7 8	Pos 3 vs Pos 6	Group 2	7 8	Pos 2 vs Pos 15	Group 1	7 8	Pos 1 vs Pos 9
Group 4	9 10	Pos 4 vs Pos 5	Group 3	9 10	Pos 3 vs Pos 14	Group 2	9 10	Pos 2 vs Pos 10
Group 1	11 12	Pos 9 vs Pos 16	Group 4	11 12	Pos 5 vs Pos 12	Group 3	11 12	Pos 14 vs Pos 16
Group 2	13 14	Pos 10 vs Pos 15	Group 1	13 14	Pos 9 vs Pos 8	Group 4	13 14	Pos 5 vs Pos 13
Group 3	15 16	Pos 11 vs Pos 14	Group 2	15 16	Pos 10 vs Pos 7	Group 1	15 16	Pos 8 vs Pos 16
Group 4	17 18	Pos 12 vs Pos 13	Group 3	17 18	Pos 11 vs Pos 6	Group 2	17 18	Pos 7 vs Pos 15

Round 4: -

- The top 2 players of each group from Round 2 will be distributed into 2 groups as per below table.
- Each group consists of 4 players.

Group A	Group B
Pos 1 of Grp 1	Pos 1 of Grp 2
Pos 2 of Grp 2	Pos 2 of Grp 1
Pos 1 of Grp 4	Pos 1 of Grp 3
Pos 2 of Grp 3	Pos 2 of Grp 4

- Points will be allocated on the following basis: -
 - 3 Points for a win
 - 1 point for a tie
 - No points for a Loss
- In the event of tie within a group in this round, 9th and 10th frame Roll Off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.
- The first two players in each group will advance to the Semi Final Round.

Round 4		Lane															
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
GA	Game 1							Pos 1 (Grp1)	Pos 2 (Grp 2)	Pos 1 (Grp 2)	Pos 2 (Grp 1)	Pos 1 (Grp4)	Pos 2 (Grp3)	Pos 1 (Grp 3)	Pos 2 (Grp 4)		
GB	Game 2							Pos 1 (Grp 2)	Pos 2 (Grp 4)	Pos 2 (Grp 2)	Pos 1 (Grp4)	Pos 2 (Grp 1)	Pos 1 (Grp 3)	Pos 1 (Grp1)	Pos 2 (Grp3)		
	Game 3							Pos 2 (Grp 2)	Pos 2 (Grp3)	Pos 1 (Grp 2)	Pos 1 (Grp 3)	Pos 1 (Grp4)	Pos 1 (Grp1)	Pos 2 (Grp 4)	Pos 2 (Grp 1)		

Game 1			Game 2			Game 3		
Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up	Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up	Group	Lane Assignment	Match-up
Group A	9	Pos 1 (Grp1) vs Pos 2 (Grp 2)	Group B	9	Pos 1 (Grp 2) vs Pos 2 (Grp 4)	Group A	9	Pos 2 (Grp 2) vs Pos 2 (Grp3)
Group B	10			10			10	
	11	Pos 1 (Grp 2) vs PPos 2 (Grp 1)	Group A	11	Pos 2 (Grp 2) vs Pos 1 (Grp4)	Group B	11	Pos 1 (Grp 2) vs Pos 1 (Grp 3)
	12			12			12	
Group A	13	Pos 1 (Grp4) vs Pos 2 (Grp3)	Group B	13	Pos 2 (Grp 1) vs Pos 1 (Grp 3)	Group A	13	Pos 1 (Grp4) vs Pos 1 (Grp1)
	14			14			14	
Group B	15	Pos 1 (Grp 3) vs Pos 2 (Grp 4)	Group A	15	Pos 1 (Grp1) vs Pos 2 (Grp3)	Group B	15	Pos 2 (Grp 4) vs Pos 2 (Grp 1)
	16			16			16	

Semi Final Round:

Match # 1	Position 1 of Group A	Vs	Position 2 of Group B
Match # 2	Position 1 of Group B	Vs	Position 2 of Group A
Match # 3	Loser of Match # 1	Vs	Loser of Match # 2

The result determines Rank 3 & Rank 4

- Position # 1 of Group A plays a one-game match against Position # 2 of Group B, the winner advances to Match # 4 (Final round).
- Position # 1 of Group B plays a one-game match against Position # 2 of Group A, the winner advances to Match # 4 (Final round).
- Losers of Semi Final Round will play a one game match to determine Ranks 3rd and 4th.
- In the event of tie in this round, 9th and 10th frame Roll Off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

Semi Final Round																	
	Lane																
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Game 1									Match 1	Match 1	Match 2	Match 2	Match 3	Match 3			

Final Round: - (Total pins fall)

Match # 4	Winner of Match # 1	Vs	Winner of Match # 2
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- The Final match consists of 2 games. The winner of 2 games total pins fall will be declared as the Champion of the 4th Khalid Bin Hamad Bowling Tournament.
- In the event of tie in this round, 9th and 10th frame Roll Off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

Note:

- The tournament committee has the right to amend the rules in any stage of the tournament whenever it is necessary.

Final Round																		
	Lane																	
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
Game 1													Match 4	Match 4				

Ranking:

Pos	Ctry	ID	Bowler Name	Ser1	Ser2	Total Pinful	Ave	Cut
Position 1 - 6 qualifies for Round 3 Finals								
1	Open	Qualifying to Round 3						
2	Open							
3	Open							
4	Local BAH "Open"							
5	Open	Qualifying to Round 2						
6	Open							
7	Open							
8	Local BAH born 2005 and above							
Position 9 - 16 qualifies for Round 2								
9	Open							
10	Open							
11	Open							
12	Open							
13	Open							
14	Open							
15	Open							
16	Open							
Position 17 - 26 qualifies for Round 1								
17	Open							
18	Open							
19	Open							
20	Open							
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22	Open							
23	Open							
24	Open							
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31	Open							
32	Open							
Position 33 - 34 Two Highest Ranked Early Bird Spots qualifies for Round 1								
33	Open							
34	Open							
Position 35 - 36 Two Highest Ranked Desperado qualifies for Round 1								
35	Open							
36	Open							

Prizes: -

Rank	Prize (BHD)
1st	7500
2nd	3500
3rd	2000
4th	1200
5th	900
6th	800
7th	700
8th	600
9th	400
10th	400
11th	400
12th	400
13th	400
14th	400
15th	400
16th	400
17th	300
18th	300
19th	300
20th	300
21th	300
22th	300
23th	300
24th	300
25th	200
26th	200
27th	200
28th	200
29th	200
30th	200
31th	200
32th	200
33th	200
34th	200
Total	24,800