



## مركز دبي الدولي للبولينغ DUBAI INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CENTRE

### **DIBC OPEN BOWLING TOURNAMENT 2013**

Dubai International Bowling Centre, Al Mamzar, Dubai - UAE  
March 16 – April 6, 2013

### **TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### **OBJECTIVE**

This tournament is organized to bring bowlers together in Dubai in the spirit of goodwill, strengthen camaraderie amongst the bowling fraternity, and promote the bowling sport.

#### **1. Sanction & Playing Rules**

The tournament is sanctioned by EBF & ABF, and playing rules will be in accordance with WTBA standards.

#### **2. Eligibility**

This tournament is open to bowlers in good standing with their federations/associations/clubs.

#### **3. Divisions**

The tournament will be played in four divisions as follows:

##### ❖ Open Division:

- Men, Women & Youth bowlers
- Women will receive +8 points per game in this division up to the Final Rounds

##### ❖ Graded A:

- Men, women and youth bowlers whose current DIBC average is 189 and below.
- Only players with DIBC average from 2012 onwards (min. 18 games) are eligible to play in this division.

##### ❖ Graded B:

- Men, women and youth bowlers whose current DIBC average is 169 and below.
- Only players with DIBC average from 2012 onwards (min. 18 games) are eligible to play in this division.

##### ❖ 20 Years & Under:

- Boys & Girls born January 1993 or later.

#### **4. Format**

##### **ROUND 1: QUALIFYING ROUND**

- ❖ Participants must bowl a total of 9 games in blocks of 3 games.
- ❖ Each 3-game block will be played on a pair of lanes.
- ❖ Lane assignments will be by draw.
- ❖ Participants may bowl multiple entries with the highest 3 blocks to count towards the 9-game total.
- ❖ Open Division: Top 24 will advance to the Semi-Final Round.
- ❖ Graded Divisions A & B: Top 10 qualifiers in each group will advance to the Semi-Final Round.
- ❖ 20Y & Under Division: Top 10 qualifiers will advance to the Semi-Final Round.
- ❖ Last Qualifying Dates:
  - Open: April 5, 2013 (12:00 MN)
  - Graded A: April 3, 2013 (12:00 MN)
  - Graded B: April 1, 2013 (12:00 MN)
  - 20Y & Under: April 4, 2013 (12:00 MN)

### ROUNDS 2 & 3: SEMI-FINAL & FINAL ROUNDS

Division	No. of Qualifiers	No. of Games	Date & Time
<b>OPEN</b> (Top 24)	Pos. 1 & 2 receive bye & proceed to Round 3	6 Games	<b>ROUND 2</b> April 6, 2013 Saturday, 1:00pm
	Pos. 3-24 bowl in Round 2 (Cut to Top 10)		
	Top 10 + Top 2 from Round 1 (12 Players)	6 games	<b>ROUND 3 (SEMI-FINALS)</b> April 6, 2013 Saturday, 5:00pm
	Top 4	Match 1: Bowler #4 & 3 (1 game) Match 2: M1 Winner vs.#2 (1 game) Match 3: M2 Winner vs. #1 (#1 Finalist is 2x to beat)	<b>STEPLADDER FINALS</b> April 6, 2013 Saturday (Immediately after S/F)
<b>GRADED A &amp; B</b> (Top 10)	Top 10	6 Games	<b>SEMI-FINALS</b> <u>GRADED B: April 2, 2013</u> Tuesday, 8:00pm  <u>GRADED A: April 4, 2013</u> Thursday, 8:00pm
	Top 4	Match 1: Bowler #4 & 3 (1 game) Match 2: M1 Winner vs.#2 (1 game) Match 3: M2 Winner vs. #1 (#1 Finalist is 2x to beat)	<b>STEPLADDER FINALS</b> (Immediately after S/F) <u>GRADED B: April 2, 2013</u> <u>GRADED A: April 4, 2013</u>
<b>20Y &amp; UNDER</b>	Top 10	6 Games	<b>SEMI-FINALS</b> April 5, 2013 Friday, 3:00pm
	Top 4	Match 1: Bowler #4 & 3 (1 game) Match 2: M1 Winner vs.#2 (1 game) Match 3: M2 Winner vs. #1 (#1 Finalist is 2x to beat)	<b>STEPLADDER FINALS</b> (Immediately after S/F) April 5, 2013 Friday

- ❖ Lane movement: One pair of lanes after every game. Bowler assigned on the left lane moves to the left while bowler assigned on right lane moves to the right.



5. Entry Fees	Open Division	Graded A & B	20 Years & Under
Registration (with 1 Squad):	AED.300 (US\$82)	AED.150	AED. 100
Entry Fee (per squad):	AED. 80 (US\$22)	AED. 60	AED. 50
S/F & Final Rounds:	AED.300 (US\$82)	AED.150	AED. 100

- ❖ Entries on first come, first served basis.
- ❖ Players from a lower division pay the corresponding fees to join a higher division.

#### 6. Refund

- ❖ Entry fees paid are non-refundable and non-transferable. Any participant who fails to show up for the scheduled squad will be disqualified and the entry fees forfeited.

#### 7. Dress Code

- ❖ Bowlers are required to be dressed with a sense of decorum and in accordance with accepted standards.
  - No cropped pants, sleeveless shirts and hats/caps for men
  - No very short skirts, sleeveless shirts and hats/caps for women
- ❖ Participants may be requested to wear the official tournament T-shirts if any.

#### 8. Tie Breakers

- ❖ Last qualifying position & Last Semi-Final Round Position:  
One-game roll off (immediately after the round where the tie occurs)--- Should there be a further tie, the 9th & 10th frames roll-off will be used and repeated until the tie is broken.
- ❖ Final Positions:
  - Positions 1 to 4: One-game roll off - Should there be a further tie, the 9th & 10th frames roll-off will be used and repeated until the tie is broken.
  - For ties in any of final positions from 5<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, prizes will be combined and divided by the number of winners in the tied positions.

#### 9. Prizes

- ❖ Prizes will be awarded to the following (See separate list for breakdown):
  - Top 24: Open Division
  - Top 10: Graded A Division
  - Top 10: Graded B Division
  - Top 10: 20Y & Under Division

#### 10. Schedule

- ❖ Please refer to separate Squad Chart.
- ❖ The Tournament Management reserves the right to open additional squads.

#### 11. Pacers

- ❖ No pacers are allowed throughout the Tournament unless appointed by the Tournament Management.

#### 12. Interrupted Game(s)

- ❖ The Tournament Manager or his appointed official(s) on duty may authorize the completion of a game and/or series on another pair of lanes when equipment failure on the starting lanes delays the normal progress of the series. An interrupted game and/or series, which cannot be completed, must resume from the points of interruption.

#### 13. Bowling on Wrong Lane

- ❖ When the bowler(s) bowl(s) on the wrong lane(s) and the error is discovered before another bowler has bowled, a dead ball shall be declared and the bowler(s) will be required to re-bowl on the correct lane(s). If the error is not discovered until the opposing bowler has bowled, the score shall count and the bowler shall be required to bowl his subsequent frame(s) on the correct lane.

#### 14. Loss of Score during Black-outs/Power Failure or Equipment Failure

- ❖ In the event of power failure/TV monitor black out or equipment failure in the progress of the game, and game scores could not be traced after power supply resumes, bowler(s) concerned have to re-bowl that particular game. However, previous games where the score have been duly recorded shall remain unchanged.

#### 15. Protests

- ❖ For protest and appeal procedures, WTBA Rules 3.9 & 3.10 will be observed.

#### 16. Interpretation Clause

- ❖ In case of various interpretations of these rules, the Tournament Management's interpretation prevails.
- ❖ Matters not covered herein will be decided upon by the Tournament Management in accordance with standard rules, and the decision shall be final.

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