

AMPANG SUPERBOWL INTERNATIONAL ANNIVERSARY BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

1st – 4th May 2025

Ampang Superbowl, Berjaya Times Square

RULES & REGULATIONS

Championship Organization

The Ampang Superbowl International Anniversary Bowling Championship 2025 is organized by Ampang Superbowl and sanctioned by Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress (MTBC) and Asian Bowling Federation (ABF). It will be conducted in accordance to World Bowling Universal playing rules as of September 2019.

Eligibility

This is an individual event open to all paid members MTBC and ABF affiliates. All local participants must show proof by producing their membership card or receipts for examination.

All overseas participants must obtain clearance from their respective National Tenpin Bowling Association or Congress.

Averages

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

Classification

Open - All bowlers regardless of average are eligible to participate in this division.

Youth U21 – All bowlers born in the year 2004 and after are eligible to participate in this division.

Sub-Division

Senior – All bowlers born in the year 1975 and before regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division. **The position will be determined by scores from Master Qualifying tabulated together with their respective handicaps.**

Youth U15 - All bowlers born in the year 2010 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division. **The position will be determined by scores from Master Qualifying tabulated together with their respective handicaps.**

Youth U12 - All bowlers born in the year 2013 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division. **The position will be determined by scores from Master Qualifying tabulated together with their respective handicaps.**

Registration of Entries / Squad Times

All fully paid entries must be submitted to the secretariat by 30th April 2025 by 8.00 p.m. (Malaysian local time). No refunds will be entertained.

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.

Championship Official Oiling Pattern

All Masters Qualifying, Finals and Stepladder shall be played on ASBIABC25 Official Championships Oiling pattern. There shall be only 1 oiling pattern used throughout the Championships.

Master Qualifying

Open

Bowlers will bowl 10 games in the qualifying rounds, divided over 2 blocks of 5 games each, on the Official Championships Oiling pattern over 2 days.

The top 60 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Open Masters Finals.

Youth U21

Bowlers will bowl 10 games in the qualifying rounds, divided over 2 blocks of 5 games each, on the Official Championship Oiling pattern over 2 days.

The top 60 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Youth U21 Masters Finals.

A.S.I.A Squad

After the end of each day's Masters Qualifying Squad, an A.S.I.A Squad will be opened for registration. For registration and roll-off time for the A.S.I.A Squad please refer to the Championship Schedule.

The A.S.I.A Squad will consist of one (1) game. If the game in the A.S.I.A Squad is higher, it will replace the lowest game of that day's Masters Qualifying.

Master Final

Open

Finalists will bowl a total of 10 games. Top 3 bowlers with the highest pin fall including handicap shall proceed to the "Step-Ladder Round".

Step Ladder Match 1 - 2nd seed and 3rd seed will bowl in a one (1) game roll-off. The bowler with the highest score including handicap will then proceed to Step Ladder Match 2.

Step Ladder Match 2 - Winner of Match 1 and Top Seed will bowl in a 1+1 game. If the Top Seed wins the first game, he/she will be declared as the winner. If the challenger wins the first game, the bowlers will bowl another game to determine the winner.

Youth U21

Finalists will bowl a total of 10 games. Top 3 bowlers with the highest pin fall including handicap shall proceed to the "Step-Ladder Round".

Step Ladder Match 1 - 2nd seed and 3rd seed will bowl in a one (1) game roll-off. The bowler with the highest score including handicap will then proceed to Step Ladder Match 2.

Step Ladder Match 2 - Winner of Match 1 and Top Seed will bowl in a 1+1 game. If the Top Seed wins the first game, he/she will be declared as the winner. If the challenger wins the first game, the bowlers will bowl another game to determine the winner.

Handicap

Bowlers' handicap will be determined as the following:

Class	Average	Handicap
A	200 and above	0
B	180 - 199	5
C	160 - 179	10
D	159 and below	15
Female		+ 10 from base
Born in 1971 - 1975		+ 10 from base
Born in 1966 - 1970		+ 15 from base
Born in 1961 - 1965		+ 20 from base
Born in 1956 - 1960		+ 25 from base
Born in 1955 and before		+ 30 from base
Born in 2010 - 2012		+ 10 from base
Born in 2013 and after		+ 15 from base

* average will be based on current MTBC average

* bowlers without official MTBC average will be classified as Class D

- * handicap applied to both Open and Youth U18 categories
- * overseas bowlers must produce written confirmation of their averages
- * handicap will be given to bowlers during Qualifying, Masters Final and Step-Ladder.

Fees

Qualifying

Youth U21 – RM1,000 per bowler

Open – RM1,200 per bowler

Youth U21 + Open – RM1,400 per bowler

A.S.I.A Squad – RM200 (each squad per bowler)

Master Final

Youth U21 – RM250 (10 games + Top 3 Step Ladder)

Open – RM350 (10 games + Top 3 Step Ladder)

Lane Assignment and Change of Lanes

The manner and number of lane changes will be announced at the start of each squad by the Tournament Director. The lanes of which the bowler bowl will be assigned by the Tournament Management.

Tie-Breaking Procedure

In the event of a tie for the last position in the qualifying round, the highest last game (excluding handicap) will decide. If the last game is still a tie, the 2nd last game (excluding handicap) will be decided. This will continue until the tie is broken.

If a tie occurs in a position after the Master Final, the bowler with the highest last game (excluding handicap) will be declared the winner. If the last game is still a tie, the 2nd last game (excluding handicap) will be decided. This will continue until the tie is broken.

If a tie occurs during the Step-Ladder Finals, a one ball roll-off will be utilized and/or repeated until the tie is broken.

Schedule

The schedule for Master Qualifying and Masters Final are as the following:

Squad	Check-in	Roll-off
Day 1 (1st May 2025 - Thursday)		
Squad A	8:00am	9:00am
Squad B	12:00pm	1:00pm
Squad C	4:00pm	5:00pm
Ace Squad - Day 1	8:00pm	9:00pm
Day 2 (2nd May 2025 - Friday)		
Squad A	8:00am	9:00am
Squad B	12:00pm	1:00pm
Squad C	4:00pm	5:00pm
Ace Squad - Day 2	8:00pm	9:00pm
Day 3 (3rd May 2025 - Saturday)		
Youth U21 Master Final	9:00am	10:00am
Youth U21 Step-Ladder		2:00pm
Prize Presentation		3:30pm
Day 4 (4th May 2025 - Sunday)		
Open Master Final	9:00am	10:00am
Open Step-Ladder		2:00pm
Prize Presentation		3:30pm

All finalist are required to register personally at the registration counter. Failing to do so, reserves will be called 15 minutes before the game starts.

Slow Bowling

The Tournament Management views the 'Slow Bowling' infringement as serious as this would disrupt the tournament schedule.

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).

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.

Bowlers shall be warned by the Tournament Director by way of white, yellow and red cards. Bowlers shall be penalized when shown the red card whereby penalty of zero for the frame being bowled.

Altering Bowling Ball Surface

Any use of chemicals MUST be on the "Acceptable List" as listed on Bowl.com website (<https://bowl.com/equipment-specifications/approved,-non-approved-products>). It is not allowed to use anything listed in the "Products Containing Solids or Abrasives" section nor listed in the "Not Acceptable at any time" section. The ball must be wiped clean after any adjustment.

Bowling ball surface adjustments by hand are acceptable between BLOCKS provided they are done in the designated area and that the adjustment procedure does not delay the bowler's next turn.

Altering the surface of the bowling ball is allowed in a designated area only during the official practice session, during the practice session immediately preceding a competition round, and between competition round (blocks).

Altering Surface is NOT allowed between games or during games. It can only be done after the round or block.

If the surface is adjusted during a game or in between games, the penalty is zero pinfall for that game.

General Playing Rules

All playing rules shall be referred to the latest World Bowling universal playing rules other than those rules specified by MTBC. The decision by the Tournament Director regarding the rules shall be final.

No jeans and sleeveless shirts allowed for all bowlers throughout the tournament. No shorts for male bowlers throughout the tournament.

Bowlers must use each hole for gripping purposes. Any hole, which is not used, is considered a balance hole, which is not allowed. Any thumb hole that is not used for gripping purposes during delivery would be classified as a balance hole, which is not allowed.

Penalty for violation of the above Rule will be zero score for that game and the bowling ball removed from play.

Interpretation Clause

Any matters arising that are not covered in these rules and regulations, will be decided by the Tournament Management, whose decision shall be final.