



Rules and Regulations

1. Playing Rules

This Championship is organized by **Indonesian Bowling Congress (PBI)** and sanctioned by the **Asian Bowling Federation (ABF)** and **World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA)**. It will be conducted in accordance to the WTBA Playing Rules.

The Championship is an Asian Ranking Tournament.

2. Eligibility

This Tournament is open to all current paid up members of PBI and WTBA Affiliates. All local participants must show proof by producing their membership cards for examination. All overseas participants must obtain clearance from their respective Congresses.

3. Averages

For members of the Indonesian Bowling Congress (PBI) only PBI's official 1st – 2012 Quarter average ranking will be used. An entrant who has no PBI's official 4th 2011 Quarter average ranking will use his/her PBI's official 1st – 2012 Quarter average ranking. An entrant who has no established average must produce written confirmation of their averages from their respective PBI-Provinces offices.

All overseas participants must obtain clearance from their respective Congresses.

4. Classification

- 4.1 Men's Open : All male bowlers, regardless of average, are eligible to participate in this division.
- 4.2 Women's Open : All female bowlers, regardless of average, are eligible to participate in this division.
- 4.3 Men's Graded A : All male bowlers with average of 195 and below are eligible to play in this division.
- 4.4 Women's Graded A : All female bowlers with average of 185 and below are eligible to play in this division.
- 4.5 Men's Graded B : (This Division is only open for Indonesian bowlers)
All male bowlers with average of 180 and below are eligible to play in this division
- 4.6 Women's Graded B : (This Division is only open for Indonesian bowlers).
All female bowlers with average of 170 and below are eligible to play in this division.

- 4.7 Youth Division : All boys and girls who are 20 years of age and below as at 1st January 2012 (Born on 1992 or after) are eligible to play in this division.
Youth Division's bowlers will only play in the Masters Qualifying to qualify for the Masters Finals.
- 4.8 Under 18 Division : All boys and girls who are 18 years of age and below as at 1st January 2012 (Born on 1994 or after) are eligible to play in this division.
Under 18 Division's bowlers will only play in the Masters Qualifying to qualify for the Masters Finals.

5. Events

5.1 Open Division Men & Women

1. *Singles (3 games)*
2. *Masters Qualifying (6 games-best of 2 sets)*
3. *Masters (2 Stages – 10 games in each stage)*

5.2 Graded A Division Men & Women

1. *Singles (3 games)*
2. *Master Qualifying (6 games best of 2 sets)*
3. *Master (12 games)*

5.3 Graded B Men & Women

1. *Singles (3 games)*
2. *Masters Qualifying (6 games-best of 2 sets)*
3. *Masters (12 for Men and 10 games for women).*

5.4 Youth Under 20 and Under 18 Boys & Girls

1. *Singles (3 games)*
2. *Master Qualifying (6 games-best of 2 sets)*
3. *Master (10 games for under 20, and 8 games for under 18).*

5.5 Singles

3 Games will be bowled in this event. A bowler may try in as many attempts with the first attempts but the scores will only be listed in Singles event and not be counted in the Masters qualifying.

Note : No bowler may win more than one prize in the Singles event.

5.6 Masters Qualifying (MQ)

3 Games will be bowled in this event. An entrant may bowl as many times as he/she chooses. The best two attempts (total 6 games) will be listed for ranking into the Masters.

Scores obtained in the best two MQs in respective divisions will be used for Masters Qualifying. This event is open to those bowlers who have registrations at least one Singles in their respective divisions and have paid up proof of their Registration.

Graded bowlers who have registered Singles in the graded divisions do not have to complete in the same event in the higher category.

5.7 Men's Open Masters

- Stage I**
1. Defending Champion
 2. 4th to 12th Local qualifiers
 3. 4th to 12 Overseas qualifiers
 4. Top 11 Qualifiers from Local and Overseas poll
- TOTAL 30 BOWLERS TO BOWL 10 GAMES.**

The top 3 qualifiers in the Local Division and the Overseas Division respectively (total 6 bowlers) will be automatically seeded for Stage II. The rest of the 30 Masters Finalists will bowl a total of 10 games in Stage I. The top 18 bowlers in Stage I together with the 6 seeded bowlers (total 24 bowlers) will play in stage II to bowl another 10 games starting from scratch.

- Stage II**
1. Top 18 bowlers from Round 1
 2. 1st – 3rd Local qualifiers
 3. 1st – 3rd Overseas qualifiers
- TOTAL 24 BOWLERS TO BOWL 10 GAMES, STARTING FROM SCRATCH.**

The top 6 bowlers with the highest total pinfalls after 10 games will qualify for the Step-Ladder Finals.

In the Step-Ladder Finals, the 4th, 5th & 6th position bowlers will bowl one game starting from scratch. The bowlers with the highest score will meet the 2nd and 3rd position bowlers for another one game competition starting scratch. The bowler with the highest score will then challenge the 1st position bowler in a one plus one match. In the event that the 1st position bowler wins the 1st game, he will be declared the Champion. If the 1st position loses the first game, there will be one more roll-off game starting from scratch to decide the Champion

5.8 Women's Open Masters

- Stage I**
1. Defending Champion
 2. 4th – 10th Local qualifiers
 3. 4th – 10th Overseas qualifiers
 4. Top 9 Qualifiers from Local and Overseas pool
- TOTAL 24 BOWLERS TO BOWL 10 GAMES**

The top 3 qualifiers in the Local Division and the Overseas Division respectively (total 6 bowlers) will be automatically seeded for Stage II. The rest of the 24 Masters Finalists will bowl a total of 10 games in Stage I. The top 15 bowlers in Stage I together with the 6 seeded bowlers (total 21 bowlers) will play in stage 2 to bowl another 10 games starting from scratch.

- Stage II**
1. Top 15 bowlers from Round 1

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2. 1st – 3rd Local qualifiers
 3. 1st – 3rd Overseas qualifiers
- TOTAL 21 BOWLERS TO BOWL 10 GAMES,
STARTING FROM SCRATCH.**

The top 6 bowlers with the highest total pinfalls after 10 games will qualify for the Step-Ladder Finals.

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5.9 Men's Graded A Masters

1. Top 12 Local qualifiers (Seeded)
2. Top 18 Local and Overseas qualifiers

The top 30 qualifiers in the Men's Graded A Masters Qualify will bowl a total of 12 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

5.10 Women's Graded A Masters

1. Top 8 Local qualifiers (Seeded)
2. Top 10 Local and Overseas qualifiers

The top 18 qualifiers in the Women's Graded A Masters Qualify will bowl a total of 10 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

5.11 Youth Boy's Under 20 Masters

1. Top 5 Local qualifiers (Seeded)
2. Top 5 Overseas qualifiers
3. Top 5 Local and Overseas qualifiers

The top 15 qualifiers in the Youth Boy's Under 20 will bowl a total of 10 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners

5.12 Youth Girl's Under 20 Masters

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1. Top 4 Local qualifiers (Seeded)
2. Top 4 Oversea qualifiers
3. Top 4 Local and Overseas qualifiers

The top 12 qualifiers in the Youth Girl's Under 20 will bowl a total of 10 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

5.13 Youth Boy's Under 18 Masters

1. Top 5 Local qualifiers
2. Top 5 Overseas qualifiers
3. Top 5 Local & Overseas qualifiers

The top 15 qualifiers in the Youth Boy's Under 18 will bowl a total of 8 games in the Master Final to decide the winners.

5.14 Youth Girl's Under 18 Masters

1. Top 4 Local qualifiers
2. Top 4 Overseas qualifiers
3. Top 4 Local and Overseas qualifiers

The top 12 qualifiers in the Youth Girl's Under 18 will bowl a total of 8 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

5.15 Men's Grade-B Master

The top 28 qualifiers (Only open for Indonesian bowlers), will bowl a total 12 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

5.16 Women's Grade-B Master

The top 18 qualifiers (Only open for Indonesian bowlers), will bowl a total of 10 games in the Masters Final to decide the winners.

6. Squad Times

From October 2, 2012 onwards, priority will be given to overseas and out station Jakarta bowlers. Local bowlers can only play when vacancies arise. No reservation by Local bowlers.

If preferred squad times indicated on the entry forms are not available, the Tournament Directors or their Assistants reserve the right to reallocate squad times at their discretion. All scores will be displayed on the championship result board from the start of the qualifying rounds until the end of last squad.

7. Check-in Time

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Check-in will open one hour and close 30 minutes before the scheduled squad time in every event unless otherwise stated (bowlers must inform the check-in counter if they have consecutive squad booking in order to exempt the check-in procedure for following squad booking). For those who fail to check-in personally at the prescribed time, their placing as well as the fees will be forfeited. The vacancy will be allocated to next pre-booked reserved bowler. In the Men and Women Open Masters, there will be check-in for the 2nd stage. Any vacancy resulting from failure to check-in by any of the stages II's finalists will be allocated to the next reserved player(s).

8. Registration and Fees

Registration Fee for Men and Women's Open Division is Rp. 450.000,- per person, for all other divisions Rp. 350.000,- per person, and Rp. 250.000,- for Youth. Registration fee, is inclusive of Tournament Souvenir and Victory banquet. Registration fee must be paid before commencing the first event.

A. Single	Rp. 350.000,-
B. Master Qualify	Rp. 350.000,-
C. Youth Qualify	Rp. 250.000,-

Masters Final

A. Men's Open (2 Stages, each Stage - 10 games)	Rp. 800.000,-/stage/person
B. Women's Open (2 Stages, each Stage - 10 games)	Rp. 800.000,-stage/person
C. Men's Graded (12 games)	Rp. 1.200.000,-
D. Women's Graded (10 games)	Rp. 900.000,-
E. Men's Grade-B	Rp. 1.000.000.
F. Women's Grade-B	Rp. 850.000,-
G. Youth Under 21	Rp. 500,000.-
H. Youth Under 18	Rp. 400.000,-

9. Verification of Scores

It is the responsibility of each bowler and/or the team captain to verify the correctness of each game bowled by signing on the official entry sheet. Once signed, the score shall stand. Official score sheet without signature will be treated as correct and no protest can be bought against it.

10. Interrupted Games

10.1 Tournament Director may authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of lanes when equipment failure on the lanes would delay the normal progress of the lanes. An interrupted game and series that cannot be completed must resume from the point of interruption.

10.2 In the event of score of any game is lost/erased and cannot be recalled and/or traced due to power or equipment failure, the bowler concerned will be required to re-bowl a new game when the power supply resumes or equipment is repaired. However, all scores of completed games that have been recorded in the official score sheet remain unchanged.

10.3 If more than one game cannot be recalled, the series shall be declared null and void and a fresh series be rescheduled.

10.4 If only one frame is missing, the bowler shall continue from the last frame bowled.

11. Registration of Bowling Ball, Illegality and Disqualification

All participants are advised to check that their bowling balls used in the Tournament are certified as legal for weight and other specifications before they compete in their events. The onus is on the bowler to ensure that all balls he/she uses are certified legal as above.

If at any time a bowler is found to have used an illegal ball even if previously certified legal by the Tournament Office, he/she shall be disqualified from the entire Tournament and stripped of all his/her winnings or positions standing and if the Tournament Committee is of the opinion that such usage was deliberate and was intended to cheat, he/she may be further reported to the PBI Disciplinary Committee or ABF Executive Committee for additional penalization. He/she may also be asked to return immediately to one of the Tournament Directors any awards that may have already been given to him/her.

12. Altering Bowling Ball Surface

Altering the surface of bowling balls is allowed in the designated area during the official practice session, during the practice session immediately preceding a competition round. A player may not alter the surface of the bowling ball during a game.

13. Tie-Breaking Procedure :

13.1 Whenever a tie occurs in any of the first three positions in the Singles Events, players with equal scores will share the prize between the winners

13.2 In case of a tie in qualifying for last position for Masters Events, a one game roll-off shall be held. The time for the roll-off will be decided by the Tournament Committee. If a tie still exists, a repeat of the 9th and 10th frame roll-off will be held until the tie is broken.

In case if a tie in Graded, Graded B and Youth Masters Final, a one games roll-off shall be held. If the tie still exists, a repeat of the 9th and 10th frame shall be played and/or repeated until the tie is broken.

13.3 If a tie occurs in the last position after Round 1 of the Open Masters, bowler with the highest last game in Round 1 will make it to Round 2. If the last game is still a tie, the 2nd last game will decide. This will continue until the tie is broken. Same tie breaker will apply to Round 2.

13.4 If a tie occurs in the Step-Ladder Grand Final, a 9th and 10th frame roll-off shall be used and/or repeated until the is broken.

14. Cheating

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Any bowler found guilty of cheating scores, averages eligibility or in any other counts will be immediately disqualified from the entire tournament and reported to the Disciplinary Committee of Indonesian Bowling Congress and the Asian Bowling Federation for further action. He/she will also be stripped of his/her winnings positions standing and be asked to return to the tournament Directors any awards that may have already been given to him/her. When in doubt, bowlers are reminded to consult the Tournament Directors on any issues.

15. Bowlers Attire:

Men Bowlers in short, singlet, sleeveless T-shirt and jeans and Cap will not be allowed to bowl.

Women Bowlers in singlet, sleeveless T-shirt, jeans and Cap also will not be allowed to bowl. Short and skirt will be allowed for women bowlers. Only proper bowling uniforms (Polo Shirt and Crew neck T-shirt) and proper bowling shoes will be allowed during competition. In those instances where it is established that a bowler is in breach of this rule, he/she may be suspended by the Tournament Committee from the tournament for the block of games then being played and all fees paid will not be refunded.

16. Slow Bowling

Bowlers, who are in readiness to step on the approach to deliver a ball, shall have the following rights and obligations:

- 16.1 They may claim right of way over anyone moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately on their left.
- 16.2 They may give right of way over anyone moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately on their right.
- 16.3 Players shall be ready to bowl when it is their turn and should not delay to go to the approach, when the lanes immediately adjacent to them on the left and right sides are clear.

Penalty shall be imposed to bowler(s) who is four (4) frames (For Singles, and Masters Finals), slower from the leader not counting the end pair of lanes. The Penalty will be forfeit of the score in the next frame.

17. Protest:

- 17.1 **Scores:** Must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Directors or their Assistants within 12 hours of the event. In the case of the last match of the Step-Ladder Grand Finals of the Master event, such protest, if any should be addressed to the same officials before prize presentation. No protest made after the prize presentation will be entertained.

- 17.2 **Foul:** Must be brought to the attention of the Lane Marshall before the delivery of the next ball. No complaints made after the 2nd ball has been bowled shall be entertained.
- 17.3 **Eligibility:** Must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Directors or their Assistants within 24 hours of the first infringement or before the next round or prize presentation or whichever is earlier.

18. Smoking and Drinking

- The Players must not use tobacco products, consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games. In those instances where it is established that a player is in breach of this rule, he may be suspended by the Tournament Technical Committee from the tournament for the block of games then being played.
- Non-alcoholic beverages are allowed provided they not consumed in the player's area.
- During the championships alcoholic beverages may not be served or consumed in the player's area or the spectator's area.
- During championships smoking is not permitted in the bowling centre. However, it may be allowed in a closed area, provided it does not affect the environment in the player's and spectator's area.

19. Special Notes:

- 19.1 Bowlers are requested to refrain from swearing on the lanes.
- 19.2 Bowlers shall restrict themselves to their respective lanes and exercise consideration for all participants.
- 19.3 Bowlers wearing soft rubber soles on their non-sliding foot may be barred from further bowling subject, to the scrutiny of the Tournament Directors.
- 19.4 The Tournament Directors reserve the right to accept or reject any entry they deem fit.
- 19.5 Any matters arising and not covered in these Tournament Rules will be decided by the Tournament Chairman, the Tournament Directors or the Tournament Committee whose decision shall be final subject only to an appeal to the PBI. Such appeal should be made in writing and within 48 hours of the decision by any of the above.

Notwithstanding the above, an appeal FOR THE DECISION OF THE PBI may still be lodged with the Asian Zone but through the Indonesian Bowling Congress and within 30 days of the PBI Council's decision.