2019 Tiger Bowling Cup China International Invitational

1. Event Name

1.1. English Name: 2019 Tiger Bowling Cup China International Invitational

1.2. Chinese Name: 2019 泰格尔杯中国国际保龄球邀请赛

2. Organizers:

Multi-Ball Games Administrative Center, General Administration of Sports of China; China Bowling Association, Jiangsu Provincial Sports Federation

3. Operators:

Jiangsu Provincial Bowling Association, Suzhou Tiger Bowling Co., Ltd.

4. Venue

Tiger Bowling Hall, F4, Block C, Wanda Plaza, No. 3188 Renmin Road, Gusu District, Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province, China

5. Time

10th-21st Nov., 2019, and the qualification round will take place from 10th-19th November.

6. Events

Individual match, team (Sino-US) match

7. Players and entry qualifications

7.1 Qualification round:

The number of qualifiers is as follows: top 26 players from Chinese mainland and top 26 players from overseas, totaling 52 players.

7.2 Main draw:

The number of qualifiers for the main draw is as followers:

52 players from the qualification round;

10 wild-card players from sponsor's side (Tiger Bowling Co. Ltd);

2 players from China's National Bowling Team,

Totaling 64.

7.3 Match play:

The quota allocation is as followers: 8 players for main draw, 8 invited players from the U.S. PBA.

8. Competition rules

8.1 Qualification round: Bowlers must complete 6 games. Qualified in 2 blocks of 3 games to qualify for the main draw.

8.2 Main draw:

First phase of competition: each player shall bowl 8 games. The top 8 bowlers shall enter the second phase of competition.

Second phase of competition: the eight players ascended from the first phase shall compete with the eight champion players of PBA Summer Tour 2019 for 3 qualifying games, and then be ranked according to their overall scores in the three games.

Third phase of competition:

First round: according to the ranking in the second phase, the No. 1 player of the 16 players shall compete with the last one of the 16 players, and the second player with the 15th one, and so on. The Match Play is a two out of three sets match, with the winners entering the second round, and the losers shall be ranked according to the score in the second phase.

Second round: according to the ranking in the second phase, the No. 1 player of the 8 players shall compete with the last one of the 8 players, and the second player with the second last one, and so on. This is a two out of three sets match, with the winners entering the third round, and the losers shall be ranked according to the score in the second phase.

Third round: according to the ranking in the second phase, the No. 1 player of the 4 players shall compete with the last one of the 4 players, and the second player with the second last one, and so on. This is a two out of three sets match, with the winners entering the Final, and the losers shall be ranked third and fourth according to the score in the second phase.

Final: The 2 players in the Final shall compete in the two-out-of-three game to be either the Champion or Runner-up.

8.1. The match play between the Chinese and U.S. sides: five Chinese players shall

compete with five U.S. players, for six rounds of PBA Exempt Team Classic. The five Chinese players shall be selected by the co-sponsors, and the five U.S. players shall be selected by the leader of the U.S. team.

9. Oil pattern

To be published before 1 September 2019.

10. Entry fees

Qualification round:

Chinese mainland players: 10 th -14 th November		RMB 200/team (3 games)	
	15 th -19 th November	RMB 280/team (3 games)	

Overseas players: USD 50/team (3 games) or RMB 300/team (3 games)

Priorities are given to overseas players from 15th-19th November. Overseas players can register for 10-14 November squads as well.

Main draw: Chinese mainland players: RMB 500/person, overseas player USD 80/person

11. Game session in qualification round

10 November—19 November, eight sessions each day, with no more than 32 persons per session

08:00—09:00 (Lane Maintenance) Squad A 09:00—10:30 (1st round) Squad B 10:30—12:00 (2nd round) Squad C 12:00—13:30 (3rd round) 13:30—14:30 (Lane Maintenance) Squad D 14:30—16:00 (4th round) Squad E 16:00—17:30 (5th round) Squad F 17:30—19:00 (6th round) 19:00—20:00 (Lane Maintenance) Squad G 20:00—21:30 (7th round) Squad H 21:30—23:00 (8th round) 11.1 Registration and booking for competing session:

All contestants are required to fill out the registration form and send it to email address at tiger_bowling_cup@163.com, for booking the competing time and game session, and the bowling alley arrangement depends on on-site drawing. When the number of players in each session is insufficient, the Organizing Committee shall have the right to merge or reduce the number of sessions. Person of Contact: Pan Jing 13901025618, Lian Jun 18913536916

11.2 Payment:

After successfully signing up, mainland Chinese players must pay the entry fee to Suzhou Tiger Bowling Hall Co., Ltd., through money transfer via WeChat or Alipay. Only with the payment of entry fee can the application be confirmed as valid.

Overseas players whose signing-up is made by their organizations do not need to pay the entry fee in advance, and the game session whose players are not present two hours before the game shall be cancelled.

12. Check in

The checking-time time of all game sessions shall be 30 minutes before the start of the session, and those contestants who do not check in at the prescribed time of a main draw shall be disqualified from the competition, whose places shall be replenished in turn by other players.

13. Handicap:

8 pins per game shall be awarded to female players, and to players under the age of 18, per qualification round and the main draw. Scores with handicap will be capped at 210.

14. Score checking

After each game, each contestant is obliged to confirm whether the results on the official scoreboard are correct or not. Once being confirmed, the score shall not be changed unless decided by the President of the General Game Assembly.

15. Game interruption

15.1The Organizing Committee shall have the right to continue the competition on other lanes if the game is delayed due to equipment failure on the beginning lane.

15.2 If any player's score is lost or disappears due to equipment failure caused by power outage, which cannot be recovered, the player affected shall be entitled to another game after the power or equipment has been restored; however, if the score has been recorded on the official record, the player affected shall not have such right as aforementioned.

16. Ball check

Contestants must ensure that the ball used meets the relevant World Bowling standards, and the Organizing Committee shall have the right to check the ball at any time, and if any contestant uses a ball that does not meet the standard, he/she will be disqualified for the competition.

17. Change the surface of the ball

In this competition, bowling surface treatment may be conducted in between each game.

18. Tie-score ruling

If the tie-score occurs to several players in any game, then all the players with such same score shall deliver a ball in turn on the same lane, and the one who knocks down the most pins shall win the game.

19. Cheating

Any player who is found to have cheated on scores or other methods of calculation shall be immediately disqualified for the entire event, with such case submitted to the Organizing Committee for further punishment. All the scores and bonuses awarded to such player in question shall be cancelled or returned. If there is any doubt about the punishment result, the player in question may appeal to the Organizing Committee of the General Assembly.

20. Player dress code

20.1 Male players are not allowed to wear shorts, shirts, jeans and hats other than what's specified by the game.

20.2 Female players are not allowed to wear shirts, jeans and hats other than what's specified by the game, but wearing shorts or short skirts is allowed.

20.3 Throughout the competition, all competitors must wear the bowling clothing and shoes as required, and if any player violates the above-mentioned regulations, he/she will be disqualified by the Organizing Committee of the General Assembly, with the score of the game attended being cancelled, and all the entry fees paid will be unreturned.

21. Slow bowling

21.1 Players who set foot on the approach to throw the ball must comply with the following requirements, and also have the following rights.

He/she shall be entitled to demand the right of priority delivery from his/her left neighboring player who is about to deliver a ball;

He/she has to let his/her right neighboring player to deliver the ball first;

When no player is on his left and right adjacent lanes, he/she must prepare to deliver a ball on his/her own lane immediately.

21.2 In case of a violation against the above provisions, the referee of the Organizing Committee shall be entitled to the following procedures for the penalty:

a) The first time of violation shall be given the white card warning;

b) The second time of violation shall be given the yellow card warning;

c) The third time of violation, or the consecutive emergence of slow bowling in the same game, shall be issued a red card warning, with no score gained in such game.

22. Protests

22.1 Score protest: Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the Organizing Committee of the General Assembly within 12 hours at the end of the competition, and all protests are to be made before the prize-awarding ceremony takes place, and any protest made after the end of ceremony won't be accepted.

22.2 Foul application must be filed with the Organizing Committee before throwing the next ball, and any protest after throwing the second ball won't be accepted.

22.3 Competing qualification: it must be submitted in writing to the Organizing Committee within 24 hours of the first violation or before the next competition or before the awarding ceremony, whichever arrives first.

23. Smoking and drinking

23.1 Smoking and drinking of alcohol-containing beverages are strictly prohibited during the game. In case of a violation of the above provisions, the Organizing Committee shall execute relevant punishment.

23.2 Non-alcoholic drinks are allowed outside the competition area.

23.3 Alcoholic drinks are not allowed to be provided to any athlete and spectator during the competition.

23.4 During the competition, smoking is prohibited in all bowling alleys, but a closed environment that does not affect the athlete area and the audience area shall be provided for smoking purpose only.

24. Matters of special attention

24.1 No player shall curse on the lane or destroy the lane equipment as an outlet of his/her discontent.

24.2 All players should restrain themselves by practicing and playing on their own lanes, without affecting the activity on other lanes and of other players

24.3 All players must wear the right bowling shoes during the event.

24.4 The Organizing Committee has the right to accept or reject any application.

24.5 Any matters not regulated in the rules of the Organizing Committee will be decided by the Chairman of the Organizing Committee through the discussion with the members of the Organizing Committee. If no complaint is filed with the Organizing Committee regarding any matter of dispute, then an affirmative decision or final decision of such matter shall automatically apply. If a complaint is to be filed, it must be filed in writing within 48 hours of the publication of the ruling decision.

25. Dispute

In the event of a dispute over the meaning of the Chinese language of this Document, the World Bowling Federation Competition rules 2019 shall prevail.

26. Money award (Unit: USD) :

26.1 Total bonus:		\$106,000		
26.2 Singles:	1.	\$20,000	9.	\$3,700
	2.	\$10,000	10.	\$3,500
	3.	\$8,000	11.	\$3,300
	4.	\$6,000	12.	\$3,100
	5.	\$5,000	13.	\$2,900
	6.	\$4,500	14.	\$2,700
	7.	\$4,200	15.	\$2,600
	8.	\$4,000	16.	\$2,500

26.3 Team: Winning team: \$15,000 (\$3,000 per team member)

Losing team: \$5,000 (\$1,000 per team member)

26.4 \$1,000 shall be rewarded to those who score 300 in the first, third, sixth games each day of the qualification round.

26.5 The winners shall be taxed in accordance with the law.

26.6 The money shall be awarded in RMB (at the exchange rate of the money issuance day)

27. The final interpretation of this Document shall belong to the Chinese Bowling Association