

SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENPIN BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019
Megalanes Sarawak, Kuching, Sarawak Malaysia
7 - 10 September 2019

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Organisation & Sanction

- 1.1 The Sarawak International Open Tenpin Bowling Championship 2019 is organized by Amateur Bowling (Tenpin) Association of Sarawak (ABAS) and sanctioned by Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress (MTBC), Asian Bowling Federation (ABF) and World Bowling (WB). World Bowling Universal Playing Rules and Regulations shall apply on matters not covered herein.
- 1.2 This championship will be held from 7 to 10 September, 2019 at Megalanes Sarawak @Emart Batu Kawa, Kuching, Sarawak.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 This Tournament is open to all current paid up members of ABAS, MTBC, ABF & WB affiliates. All local participants must show proof by producing their membership cards or receipts for examination.
- 2.2 All overseas participants must obtain clearance from their respective National Tenpin Bowling Associations or Congress.

3. Averages

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

4. Classifications

4.1 Main Division

- 4.1.1 **Open** - All bowlers regardless of average are eligible to participate in this division.
- 4.1.2 **Classified** - All male and female bowlers including youth are eligible to participate in this division. All male bowlers with an average of **200 and below** and all female bowlers with an average of **195 and below** are eligible to participate in this division.
- 4.1.3 **U-25** - All male and female bowlers who were born in the year of 1994 and after are eligible to participate in this division.

4.2 Special / Sub Division

- 4.2.1.1 **Senior** - All male bowlers who were born in the year of 1968 and before



regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division, limited to one prize per bowler. The Senior **top 10 positions will be determined by scores from Classified and Open Masters Finals tabulated together with their respective handicaps. If a senior makes both finals, the highest total pinfalls with handicap shall be used.**

4.2.2 In the **U-25 Masters Final**, prizes will be awarded to the following sub-divisions, **limited to one prize per bowler**:

- 4.2.2.1 Boys Under-21 - All male bowlers who were born in the year of 1998 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.2 Girls Under-21 - All female bowlers who were born in the year of 1998 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.3 Boys Under-18 - All male bowlers who were born in the year of 2001 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.4 Girls Under-18 - All female bowlers who were born in the year of 2001 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.5 Boys Under-15 - All male bowlers who were born in the year of 2004 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.6 Girls Under-15 - All female bowlers who were born in the year of 2004 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.7 Boys Under-12 - All male bowlers who were born in the year of 2007 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.
- 4.2.2.8 Girls Under-12 - All female bowlers who were born in the year of 2007 and after regardless of average are eligible for prizes in this division.

5. Registration of Entries / Squad Times

- 5.1 All fully paid entries must be submitted to the secretariat by 1 September 2019 by 8.00 p.m. (Malaysian local time).
- 5.2 No refunds will be entertained.
- 5.3 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.

6. Championship Official Oil Pattern

- 6.1 All Masters Qualifying, Finals and Stepladder shall be played on “*Darul Hana*”, the Official Championships Oiling pattern. **There shall be only 1 oiling pattern used throughout the Championships.**



7. Masters Qualifying

7.1 Open

7.1.1 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.

7.1.2 Top 60 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Open Masters Finals.

7.2 Classified

7.2.1 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.

7.2.2 Top 60 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Graded Masters Finals.

7.3 Under-25

7.3.1 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.

7.3.2 Top 60 bowlers from the qualifying stages will proceed to the Youth Masters Finals.

7.4 Joker Squad

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

7.4.2 The Joker Squad will consist of 2 games. If the games in the Joker Squad is higher it will replace the lower games of that day's Masters Qualifying.

8. Masters Final

8.1 Open Masters Final

8.1.1 Finalist will bowl a total of 8 games. Top 4 bowlers with the highest pin fall including handicap shall proceed to the "Last Man Standing Round".

8.1.2 "Last Man Standing" Game 1 - Top 4 seeds will bowl in a 1-game-roll-off-with handicap where the bowler with the lowest score will be eliminated and be placed as 4th in the overall standings. The 3 survivors will proceed to the "Last Man Standing" Game 2.

8.1.3 "Last Man Standing" Game 2 - The remaining 3 bowlers will bowl in a 1 game roll-off-with-handicap where the bowler with the lowest score will be eliminated and be placed as 3rd in the overall standing. The 2 survivors will proceed to the "Last Man Standing" Final.



8.1.4 “Last Man Standing” Game 3 - The remaining 2 bowlers will bowl in a 1-game-roll-off-with-handicap where the bowler with the highest score including handicap will be declared as the CHAMPION of the SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENPIN BOWLING 2019 CHAMPION in the OPEN division. Hence the losing finalist will be placed as 2nd in the overall standing.

8.2 Classified Masters Final

8.2.1 Finalist will bowl a total of 9 games.

8.2.2 Bowlers will bowl 4 blocks of 2 games and the final 9th game will be the positioning round. Bowlers will bowl on the pre-assigned lanes according to their position after 8 games.

8.2.3 The bowler with the highest total including handicap after the positioning round shall be declared as the SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENPIN BOWLING 2019 CLASSIFIED CHAMPION.

8.3 Under-25 Masters Final

8.3.1 Finalist will bowl a total of 8 games.

8.3.2 Top 3 bowlers with the highest pin falls including handicap shall proceed to the Stepladder Rounds.

8.3.3 The 2nd seed and 3rd seed shall bowl a 1-game-roll-off in the Stepladder Semi-finals. The bowler with the highest pin fall including handicap shall be declared as winner and move on to the Stepladder Final as the Challenger.

8.3.4 The Stepladder Final will be played on a 1+1 “Repechage” format. Handicap will still be given to eligible bowlers. If the 1st seed wins the first match, he/she will be declared as the Champion. If the Challenger wins the first game, then there will be a sudden death game to determine the Champion of the SARAWAK INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENPIN BOWLING 2019 U25 CHAMPION.

8.4 Special / Sub Division

8.4.1 Senior:

8.4.1.1 For the Special / Sub Division Senior prize, winners will be determined from the top 10 highest pin falls including handicap from Open or Classified Division Finals. One bowler can only win one prize.

8.4.2 Youth:

8.4.2.1 For the Special / Sub Division Youth Under-21 Boys & Girls, Under-18 Boys & Girls, Under-15 Boys & Girls and Under-12 Boys & Girls prize, winners will be determined from the top 5 highest pin falls including handicap from U-25 division Final. One bowler can only win one prize.



- 8.4.2.2 Boys & Girls who were born in the year of 2007 and after will be classified as Under-12 and therefore will only be eligible to win the Under-12 prizes.
- 8.4.2.3 Boys & Girls who were born in the year of 2004 to 2006 will be classified as Under-15 and therefore will only be eligible to win the Under-15 prizes.
- 8.4.2.4 Boys & Girls who were born in the year of 2001 to 2003 will be classified as Under-18 and therefore will only be eligible to win the Under-18 prizes.
- 8.4.2.5 Boys & Girls who were born in the year of 1998 to 2000 will be classified as Under-21 and therefore will only be eligible to win the Under-18 prizes.

9. HANDICAP

9.1 Open Division

AVERAGE	HANDICAP
201 and above	0
200 & below	8
CATEGORIES FOR ADDITIONAL HANDICAP	
Women	5
OKU - Physically Challenged	5
Senior 50 and above (born on or before 1969)	5
ADDITIONAL HANDICAP for SENIORS	
Senior 51 to 55 (born 1964 to 1968)	+2
Senior 56 to 60 (born from 1959 to 1963)	+2
Senior 61 to 65 (born from 1954 to 1958)	+2
Senior 66 & above (born from 1953 & before)	+2

9.2 Classified Division

AVERAGE	HANDICAP
190 - 200	0
180 - 189	5
179 and below	10
CATEGORIES FOR ADDITIONAL HANDICAP	
Women	5
OKU - Physically Challenged	5
Senior 50 and above (born on or before 1968)	5
ADDITIONAL HANDICAP for SENIORS	
Senior 51 to 55 (born 1964 to 1968)	+2
Senior 56 to 60 (born from 1959 to 1963)	+2
Senior 61 to 65 (born from 1954 to 1958)	+2
Senior 66 & above (born from 1953 & before)	+2

9.3 U-25 Division

AVERAGE	HANDICAP
195 and above	0
185 - 194	5
184 and below	10
CATEGORIES FOR ADDITIONAL HANDICAP	



Women	5
OKU - Physically Challenged	5

10. QUALIFYING, FINAL, JOKER SQUAD FEES

- 10.1 The entry fees for Qualifying Rounds are as follows;
- RM 850.00 (for Open Division Only)
 - RM 750.00 (for Classified Division Only)
 - RM 550.00 (for U-25 Division Only)
 - RM 1,100.00 (for Classified and Open Division)
 - RM 850.00 (for U-25 and Classified Division)
 - RM 1,000.00 (for U-25 and Open Division)
 - RM 1,300.00 (for U-25, Classified and Open Division)
- 10.2 The Masters Final Fees are as follows;
- RM 300.00 (Open Division)
 - RM 250.00 (Classified Division)
 - RM 200.00 (U-25 Division)
- 10.3 The Joker Squad Fees are as follows;
- RM 300.00 (Open + Classified + U25)
 - RM 250.00 (Open + Classified Division)
 - RM 250.00 (Classified Division + U25)
 - RM 200.00 (for any 1 division only)

11. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

- 11.1 Please refer to “Prize Distribution” schedule.

12. General Playing Rules

- 12.1 No *Jeans* allowed for male and female bowlers throughout the tournament.
- 12.2 No sleeveless shirt and shorts for male bowlers throughout the tournament.
- 12.3 Any tie for qualification to the next round of play or placing for prize money positions will be decided by a 1-Ball-Roll-Off until the tie is broken.
- 12.4 No objections to the final results will be entertained after the prize presentation.
- 12.5 The Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry as they deem fit. Any matters arising that is not covered in the Tournament Rules, will be decided by the Tournament Committee whose decision is final, subject only to an appeal to ABAS. Such an appeal must be made in writing within 24 hours of the decision of the Tournament Committee.



- 12.6 Should the appeal involve position standings in any event of the Tournament, it is the prerogative of the Tournament Committee to withhold presentation of prizes for that event until the determination of the outcome of the appeal.
- 12.7 Slow bowling / Lane Courtesy
- 12.7.1 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).
- 12.7.2 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.
- 12.7.3 If a player does not observe the procedures outlined in paragraphs 12.7.1 and 12.7.2, it shall be construed as slow bowling. A player failing to observe these procedures shall be warned by an authorized tournament official as follows:
- a) A white card for the first offence (no penalty)
 - b) A yellow card for the second offence (no penalty)
 - c) A red card for the third and each succeeding offence in any block of games - the penalty shall be a zero pin fall for the frame