



# Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

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To: All Qualifiers  
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**SUBJECT: ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS (Senior and Junior-Senior)  
SINGLES AND DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Dear Bowler:

Congratulations on having qualified for the Provincial Championships of the Ontario Senior Citizens (Senior and Junior-Senior) Singles and Doubles 5 Pin Championships. These Championships are being held on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026** at NEB's Fun World, 1300 Wilson Road North, Oshawa, Ontario, L1K 2B8.

Enclosed with this letter is a Bowler Information Form and Schedule of Events for the Provincial Championships.

**Please be aware that all bowlers who qualify for our Provincial Championships will be responsible for booking their own hotel accommodations.**

## RECEPTION INFORMATION

We have arranged for a light reception following the bowling while the final results are being tabulated. This will include a selection of desserts, pizza, salad and veggies with dip.

Bowlers are invited to attend the reception **FREE OF CHARGE**. If you wish to bring a guest(s) to the reception, the cost will be \$25.00 per ticket (HST included). **All reception tickets MUST be pre-ordered and paid for in advance on the Bowler Information Form provided as they have to be GUARANTEED by our Association.**

There will be no reception tickets available for bowlers or guests on the day of the tournament therefore it is recommended that you order your tickets in advance to avoid any disappointment.

Awards will be presented and top winners announced at the reception.

## AVERAGE CLARIFICATION

All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2025-2026 bowling season up to and including **APRIL 5, 2026**, and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

a) **AVERAGE BOOK:** **New for the 2025-26 season is a Provincial Tournament Average.**  
 The Provincial tournament average will be calculated as each tournament's pinfall (Zone/DC and Provincials) is submitted for the current season, before the start of the Provincial tournament. **The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.**

b) **NON-AVERAGE BOOK:** Bowlers with no rolling average in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use **the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:**

Use their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 5, 2026** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

**- OR -**

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 5, 2026**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **APRIL 5, 2026**.

**EXAMPLE:**

DATE	GAME 1	GAME 2	GAME 3	3 GAME TOTAL	TOTAL GAMES	TOTAL PINFALL	AVG.
Dec. 29-25	194	137	130	461	3	461	153
Jan. 5-26	175	139	183	497	6	958	159
Jan. 12-26	199	142	236	577	9	1535	170
Jan. 19-26 *	199	142	236	577	9	1535	170
Jan. 26-26	199	200	189	588	12	2123	176
Feb. 2-26	171	111	157	439	15	2562	170
Feb. 9-26	137	187	195	519	18	3081	171
Feb. 16-26	158	202	185	545	21	3626	172
Feb. 23-26	272	190	157	<b>619</b>	24	4245	176
Mar. 1-26	240	246	230	<b>716</b>	27	4961	183
Mar. 8-26	133	208	168	<b>509</b>	30	5470	182
Mar. 15-26	176	142	189	<b>507</b>	33	5977	181
Mar. 22-26	183	197	179	<b>559</b>	36	6536	181
Mar. 29-26	244	252	240	<b>736</b>	39	7272	186
Apr. 5-26	170	161	176	<b>507</b>	42	7779	<b>185</b>

**Average Calculation:**

Average as of specified average date: **185**

Average over last 21 games (seven weeks): **197** (4153 pinfall divided by 21 games)

197 minus 185 = 12 divided in half = 6 ..... 185 + 6 = **191**

Average for Provincial Championships: **191**

**PLEASE NOTE: BANK SCORES SHOULD NOT BE USED TO CALCULATE A BOWLER'S AVERAGE AS NO GAMES SHOULD BE COUNTED MORE THAN ONCE. (SEE SCORES OF JAN. 19-26 IN EXAMPLE SHOWN ABOVE)**

- c) All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2025-2026 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **APRIL 5, 2026**. **A hand-copied facsimile of this average sheet is not acceptable.** If you cannot get a photocopy, send the original to the Provincial Office and we will photocopy it and return the original to you immediately.

**Please Note: Bowlers who are not listed in the Average Book or on the O5PBA Website are required to submit copies of their Individual Average Sheet(s). The Average Sheet(s) must be submitted with the "Bowler Information Form".**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CODE OF CONDUCT AND DRESS CODE FORM**

Attached to the Bowler Information Form is an Acknowledgement of Code of Conduct and Dress Code Form. Each participant **MUST** complete and sign this form to acknowledge they understand and agree to abide by the dress code as outlined below:

All participants must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association they represent. Participants will present themselves in a neat and clean appearance. No cut-offs, jeans or denim. All clothing must cover the "bottoms area". **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom.** Teams should wear a consistent colour or pattern. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons.

Any participant not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each PARTICIPANT not conforming to the dress code.**

This form **MUST** be e-mailed to [results@o5pba.ca](mailto:results@o5pba.ca) as part of your Bowler Information Form. **Failure to sign this form may result in not being permitted to compete in the event.**

**Please contact your Local Association to arrange for your bowling shirt.**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM**

Also attached to the Bowler Information Form is an Acknowledgement of Risk and Release of Liability Form. In order to ensure our Association of liability coverage, our insurance company has insisted that an Acknowledgement of Risk and Release of Liability Form be signed by **ALL PARTICIPANTS** in our Provincial Championships.

Please read the form carefully and initial the box after reading and understanding the statements and conditions. Upon completion of the form please print and sign your name. This form **MUST** also be e-mailed to [results@o5pba.ca](mailto:results@o5pba.ca) as part of your Bowler Information Form. **Participants who do not complete and sign the form will not be allowed to bowl.** This is an action that may seem drastic but is necessary for the wellbeing of your Association.

You will be competing for cash prizes at the Provincial Championships. The Provincial Championships will consist of three (3) games and will be based on a pins-over-average format. Winners will be declared in Men's and Ladies' Singles for each age Division.

The scores of the two (2) bowlers from each Zone/DC and in each division shall be combined in order to determine the Doubles Champions.

We look forward to seeing you in Oshawa, and wish you the best of luck in the Provincial Championships.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Provincial Office.

Yours truly,

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

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