



Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

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TOURNAMENT SANCTIONING PROCEDURES

WHY HAVE YOUR TOURNAMENT SANCTIONED?

- For the bowlers' protection against non-payment of 100% of the prize fund and discrimination.
- For Proprietors' protection against non-payment of entry fees, and conduct that is detrimental to your bowling centre and the sport of 5 Pin Bowling.

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION SANCTIONING:

- There are three (3) categories of sanctions.

Category:

1

- 1) Bowling Centre is a member of Bowl Ontario.
- 2) All participants are members of the C5PBA.
- 3) Lanes have been certified by an O5PBA official agent.

Full Certification: Including recognition of all Record Scores and Perfect Games, both Provincially and Nationally

Category:

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- 1) All participants are members of the C5PBA
- 2) Lanes have been certified by an O5PBA official agent.

Full Certification: Including recognition of all Record Scores and Perfect Games, Provincially.

Category:

3

- 1) Not all participants are members of the C5PBA.
- 2) Lanes have been certified by an O5PBA official agent.

Partial Certification: Record Scores or Perfect Games will only be recognized for O5PBA members.

- Any bowling centre conducting a tournament open to bowlers who do not bowl regularly in that centre requires a sanction. **THIS IS CALLED AN OPEN TOURNAMENT.**

- Any tournament(s) conducted by a Proprietor, Sponsor, Local Association or any other parties open to bowlers in two (2) or more Local Associations require an Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Sanction. This must be applied for as outlined on the Tournament Sanction Application Form.
- Tournament(s) sanctioned by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association can be participated in by members of Local Associations or any affiliates of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Non-members participating will not be eligible for a perfect game or other record score recognition.
- Special event tournaments, Canada-wide sponsored tournament and provincially sponsored tournaments where non-members may be involved will be sanctioned only at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Special fees may be applied if deemed necessary.

TOURNAMENT CHECK LIST

The following is a list of Information you will need to collect before completing the Tournament Sanction Application Form

1. Name of Tournament
2. Name of establishment, address and telephone number
3. Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Sanction Number
4. Beginning and ending dates
5. Closing date for entries
6. Eligibility requirements, if any, must be stated in detail on the entry form and post
7. Entry fee breakdown
8. 100% return of prize fees
9. Prize Ratio – one in ten
10. Avoid guaranteed prizes
11. Name, address and telephone number of the current Certified O5 tournament director

TOURNAMENT SANCTION RULES

1. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules to apply.
2. All participants scores (including high and record scores) bowled during the tournament will be sent to results@o5pba.ca on the approved spreadsheet within fourteen (14) days of the completion of the tournament. Recognition of these scores will be pending, based on the submission timeline as stated above.
3. 100% return of prize fund to bowlers.
4. Prize fund ratio – one prize for every ten bowlers participating (minimum).
5. Prize distribution (cash awards only) for non-guaranteed prize fund.
 - 1st prize.....not to exceed 40% of the prize fund
 - 2nd prize....must be equal to at least one half of 1st prize

Balance of prize fund must be distributed to reflect 100% return and one in ten prizes ratio.

6. Guaranteed prize funds could be an exception to the above, but must be approved by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
7. Money for special awards, such as perfect games, etc. cannot be paid from the prize fund.
8. Applications must be made for sanctioning of a tournament on official Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Application Forms prior to the publishing of any literature.
9. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Sanction Number must appear on all tournament literature.
10. In all category one (1) and category two (2) sanctioned tournaments, all participants must be members of the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association or purchase a Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association membership card prior to bowling.
11. It is the proprietor's or Certified Tournament Directors responsibility to ensure that each bowler's membership card number is recorded on the tournament entry form list. Any cash prizes paid to other than members in good standing of the above-mentioned association must be added to the prize fund by the proprietors. Any Tournament Director or Judge of Play in charge of the tournament, should not be actively participating (bowling) in the same tournament and must be present at all times.
12. Any bowler who knowingly uses a membership card number other than their own on an entry form or list, is subject to disqualification and other penalties as outlined in the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Rule Book.
13. For the protection of the Proprietor, all prize lists should be approved by the sanctioning chair committee of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association prior to any money being paid.
14. If requested, a completed financial statement of all tournament funds must be submitted to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association office within thirty (30) days of completion of tournament, and include complete prize list. The prize list must contain each bowler's name, address, city/town, full association membership card number, and amount won. Failure to do so may result in a loss of future sanctioning privileges.
15. Prize money must be paid within thirty (30) days of completion of the tournament.
16. Lanes must be certified, or application for certification must be made prior to sanction being granted.
17. Tournament will be officiated by a current O5PBA Certified Tournament Director.
18. Personalized bowling balls will be allowed at the discretion of the bowling establishment. Otherwise, if personalized balls are not allowed in the centre, only the house balls can be used.
19. **CANCELLATION OF TOURNAMENT.** The Proprietor or Tournament Director must inform all entrants by email or telephone **WITHIN 24 HOURS OF CANCELLING A TOURNAMENT.** All monies must be returned within ten (10) days.

20. Should a tournament be cancelled, a cash bond must be posted by the sponsoring agency before the tournament receives a sanction the following year.
21. In all **OPEN TOURNAMENTS** the lanes immediately adjacent to the tournament must not be occupied.

DEFINITIONS OF OTHER TYPES OF TOURNAMENT SANCTIONING

LOCAL CENTRE / HOUSE TOURNAMENT SANCTIONING

- A tournament held in one (1) bowling centre for only bowlers in that establishment does not require a sanction. This tournament must be publicized as a **RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT** and can only accept entries from bowlers who belong to a bowling league in the bowling centre conducting the tournament.
- This is called a **HOUSE TOURNAMENT**. No sanction is required.

LOCAL ASSOCIATION SANCTION

- An **OPEN** tournament conducted within the boundaries of a Zone, requires a **LOCAL ASSOCIATION SANCTION ONLY**. The rules, regulations, etc. must be sent to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for record purposes only.
- Tournaments sanctioned by Local Associations must be for members only. Membership cards may be sold to non-members at the **current membership fee**.

HOW DO I HAVE MY TOURNAMENT SANCTIONED?

- Submit a completed Tournament Sanction Application Form; accompanied with a proof copy of the entry form, poster, and rules; sixty (60) days prior to the event by email to o5pba@o5pba.ca

If your bowling centre is a member in good standing and your tournament meets with Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules and regulations (see tournament rules) an O5PBA Sanction Number will be forwarded to you for inclusion on your poster and entry forms. This proclaims to all bowlers that you are conducting a proper event and have guaranteed to return 100% of the prize money received.

If you do not receive your Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Sanction Number within seven (7) days from date of submission, telephone the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association at (416) 426-7167.