

EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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The Executives 5 Pin Championships consists of two (2) steps:

- **ZONE/DC FINALS**
- **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2016**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entrants must be duly elected to a League Executive position to be eligible for this tournament (**i.e. President, Vice-President, Secretary, Statistician, Tournament Director and Treasurer**) **OR** must hold an Executive position on a Zone or Decentralized Association. All Executives must be registered in that position with the Provincial Office to be eligible for this tournament.
3. Both the League Executive Registration Form and the Zone/DC Association Executive listings must be completed and received by the Provincial Office no later than **OCTOBER 30, 2016** in order to be eligible to participate.
4. Each Zone and Decentralized Association will determine the entry fee up to a maximum of \$30.00 per entry. Please contact your Local Zone/Decentralized Association for further information.
5. Entry deadline shall be **OCTOBER 30, 2016**.
6. Format in all rounds will be based on "pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
7. All League Executives shall compete together with the top three (3) bowlers advancing to the Provincial Championships.
8. Entries will only be accepted from Zone and Decentralized Associations that have already submitted their three (3) post-dated cheques, payable to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, to cover the 2016-2017 bowling season membership fees.
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 - a) If a copy of the Zone's Average Book (***electronic copy ONLY***) has not been received in the Provincial Office by **JUNE 30, 2016, no bowlers from that Zone or Decentralized Association will be permitted to compete in this event.**
 - b) Any league(s) that have not provided their pinfall/games to the Zone will not be permitted to bowl in the Executives 5 Pin Championships.
10. Bowlers who hold a League Executive position in two (2) or more leagues in the same centre shall only be permitted to bowl once in the Zone/DC finals.

11. Bowlers who hold a League Executive position in two (2) or more centres may enter in each centre and compete in the Zone/DC Finals in each, provided the scheduling of same permits; but shall only be permitted to bowl once in the Provincial Championships.
12. If a qualifier is unable to compete in the next round, the position shall be filled by the next eligible bowler from the preceding round, provided the substitution is made prior to seven (7) days of the event.
13. Scores and averages of winners in all rounds will be authenticated and checked thoroughly. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, shall result in an automatic disqualification.
14. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
15. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition.
16. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. The Zone/DC Finals shall consist of three (3) games and must be completed on or before **NOVEMBER 20, 2016**. Decentralized Associations have the option of conducting this tournament during regular league play or as a one day roll-off. **Please Note: Zone Associations MUST conduct this tournament as a one day roll-off.**
2. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **OCTOBER 30, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.
3. Substitutions are not allowed in the Zone/DC finals. If an Executive position cannot be filled, then that position is left vacant. Executive positions are not inter-changeable for this event.
4. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:

- a) Individual with the most pins-over-average in the last game
- b) Retrogression method
- c) A one (1) game roll-off

Note: The tie breaking method must be announced before the tournament starts

KEY DATES

Average Date **October 30, 2016**

Entry Deadline **October 30, 2016**

League Registration Forms (Page 1-2) **October 30, 2016**

Zone/DC Finals **One day roll-off – On or before
November 20, 2016
Option DC Associations – In League Play
on or before November 20, 2016**

Provincial Championships
Average Date **January 8, 2017**

Provincial Championships..... **February 25, 2017 – MORNING**