

YOUTH CHALLENGE/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

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The Youth Challenge/Ontario Winter Games consists of three (3) steps:

- **ZONE FINALS**
- **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES**
- **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **12 YEARS OF AGE** but not yet 19 years of age as of **DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**, who have achieved one of the following:
 - a) Attending a recognized school of learning
 - b) A member of the Youth Bowling Council
 - c) A member of the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
2. Entry deadline is **NOVEMBER 10, 2019**.
3. Entry fee for the Youth Challenge will be determined by each Zone Association.
4. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
5. 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). **Two (2) personal bowling balls per competitor 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 ¾" 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.
6. There shall be no smoking while the tournament is in progress at any level of this competition, within the confines of the bowling centre, by all coaches, competitors or spectators. This also includes vapour cigarettes.
7. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
8. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition.
9. No food or beverages shall be allowed in the bowlers' enclosure.

10. 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.
11. All coaches and assistant coaches must be **COMPETITIVE COACH CERTIFIED** on or before **DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
12. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up man or lady from the Zone Finals.
13. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy and Coaches' Instructions. **(See Coaching Policy Page 1-11)**
14. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.
15. The following rule will apply to any bowler who is injured during competition:
 - a) When a player is unable to complete a game because of injury and a qualified substitute is not available to bowl, the team of which the bowler is a member shall count his/her actual score for the frames completed in the game total, plus one tenth of his/her absentee score (95% of average) for each of the remaining frames. Such injury must subsequently be verified by a note from a qualified medical practitioner within forty-eight (48) hours.
 - b) When a player does not complete a game of his/her own volition (not medical), and a qualified substitute is not available to bowl, the team of which the bowler is a member shall count zero (0) for each of the frames that the bowler missed.
 - c) In both cases cited above, the team shall be allowed a score of 95% of the missing bowler's average for subsequent game(s).
 - d) When a player is unable to complete a game because of injury or illness and a qualified substitute is available to bowl, the substitute bowler will be allowed to bowl from the frame in which the injury or illness occurred. The substitute bowler must have bowled in the zone round and must abide by the dress code rule. The bowler being replaced shall not be permitted to compete in the Youth Challenge for the balance of the tournament.

EXAMPLE:

Bowler CS is a member of a team. He has an average of 169.

Frame 1 – CS rolls a strike

Frame 2 – CS rolls a strike

Frame 3 – CS rolls a strike

Frame 4 – On the first ball, CS slams the ball onto his toe and the ball hits the right corner pin. On the second and third balls, CS misses. CS informs the Tournament Director that he is unable to continue. (A trip to the emergency clinic confirms that CS has broken his toe).

For the first four frames, CS has scored 96. The format for missing bowler (absentee score) is 95% of average = 161. Therefore, CS score is:

$$\begin{array}{r} 96 \\ + 161/10 \times 6 = \underline{96} \\ \text{Equals} \quad 192 \end{array}$$

Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
CS	X 15 15	X 15 2	X 2 -	2 - -							
	45	77	94	96							

ZONE FINALS

1. The Zone Finals shall be bowled on or before **NOVEMBER 24, 2019** in a centre designated by the Local Zone Association.
2.
 - a) All bowlers must bowl in the Zone where they reside if they are not members of the YBC.
 - b) Members of the YBC must bowl in the O5PBA Zone in which they bowl their YBC League.
 - c) If a bowler bowls in two (2) leagues in two (2) separate Zones, he/she must bowl in the Zone in which they reside.
3. The Zone Finals shall consist of five (5) games.
4. The top seven (7) men and seven (7) ladies, and the bowler with the next highest pinfall, either male or female, shall qualify for the Provincial Championships.
5. The top five (5) men and five (5) ladies shall make up the Men's and Ladies' teams.
6. The next two (2) men and two (2) ladies and the next highest qualifier either male or female, shall make up the Mixed Team.
7. In the event that a Zone Association cannot field a full contingent for the Provincial Championships as noted above, the following will apply:
 - a) Three (3) men and two (2) ladies or three (3) ladies and two (2) men will field a Mixed Team only
 - b) Five (5) to seven (7) entries (Men and Ladies) will field a Men's or Ladies' Team.
 - c) Eight (8) men and seven (7) ladies or eight (8) ladies and seven (7) men entries will field a full contingent
 - d) For any other combination of bowlers, please contact the Provincial Office for a ruling
8. In the event of a tie for any qualifying position on the Contingent, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
9. Coaches will be selected for each team (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed) at the completion of

the Zone Finals. All coaches must have be **COMPETITIVE COACH CERTIFIED** on or before **DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

- Each Zone Contingent shall consist of 18 members, including fifteen (15) bowlers and three (3) team coaches.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- The Provincial Championships of the Youth Challenge shall be bowled on **JANUARY 12, 2020**, in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
- Bowlers who are members of teams declared as Zone Champions shall be eligible to participate in the Provincial Championships.
- The Provincial Championships shall be comprised of, and declare champions in five (5) events: Men's, Ladies' and Mixed team events; and Men's and Ladies' singles events.
- All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) shall have their scratch scores count in all games of the round robin and these scores will be used to determine the Provincial Singles Champions.
- The top three (3) men and top three (3) ladies from Southern Ontario, based on scratch scores for all round robin games, will form the Southern Ontario team which will advance to compete in the National Championships. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off will be held.
- Teams shall bowl five (5) and count five (5).
- In each event, teams will be divided into two (2) groups and each team will bowl a Single Round Robin format.
- In each game, the team assigned by lane draw to the right-hand lane shall be the **"HOME"** team and the team assigned to the left-hand lane shall be the **"AWAY"** team. The coach of the **"AWAY"** team is obligated to submit their line-up for each game before the line-up for the **"HOME"** team is submitted.
- A match play format shall be used to determine Provincial Champions in all team events. Each bowler who beats their opponent on the opposing team will receive one (1) point. Three (3) points shall be awarded to the team that has the highest pinfall for each game, making a total of eight (8) points possible for each game.

EXAMPLE:

<u>Team "A"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Team "B"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
<u>Anderson</u>	340	1	Dorkings	257	0
Post	219	0	<u>Hawkins</u>	258	1
<u>Wilson</u>	305	1	Fraser	262	0
McGhie	276	0	<u>Van Belois</u>	281	1
<u>McNeil</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>1</u>	Morris	<u>241</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1397</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>1299</u>	<u>2</u>

RESULTS: Team "A" – 3 + 3 = 6 Points
Team "B" – 2 + 0 = 2 Points

10. In the event of a tie between teams or individuals in any game during match play in the team events, all available points shall be divided equally.
11. The top two (2) teams in each group of the three (3) divisions (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) which amasses the highest point total at the conclusion of the Single Round Robin will advance to the Championship Finals.
12. In Winter Games years, the four (4) teams that qualify for the Championship Finals (as in Rule #11 above) will also advance to compete in the Ontario Winter Games Championships against 2 teams in each division from Northern Ontario.
13. In the event of a tie or ties in total points for any of the top positions after the conclusion of the qualifying rounds for any team event, the ties shall be broken by reverting back to the games bowled between the tied teams and, on a points won or lost basis, the higher placing shall be declared. If a tie still exists, the team with the most pinfall for the games bowled between the tied teams shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, a one (1) game roll-off will be held.
14. During the Championship Finals:
 - a) The first (1st) place team in Group #1 will play the second (2nd) place team in Group #2
 - b) The first (1st) place team in Group #2 will play the second (2nd) place team in Group #1
 - c) The winning teams will play each other to determine 1st and 2nd place
 - d) The losing teams will play each other to determine 3rd and 4th place
15. In all team events the order of bowling may be changed each game (unrestricted line-up).
16. When the question arises as to whom of any two bowlers bearing corresponding positions in the line-up of opposing teams shall bowl first, the bowler on the right must bowl first.
17. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. Late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
18. If a bowler misses a game or games, they shall receive the lowest score from the opposing team for the purpose of determining the total team score. The missing bowler's score cannot receive an individual match point for winning or tying the match.
19. Only bowlers and coaches competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Assistant coaches should be positioned behind the enclosure. Any persons violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.
20. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers and the coach must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
21. Only non-playing coaches shall be allowed to coach. **The coach is the only person allowed to discuss, dispute or protest any point pertaining to the Provincial Championships/Ontario Winter Games with the Judge of Play.**

Coaches are advised to make their bowlers fully aware of this ruling to avoid unnecessary delays.

22. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
23. Participants may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
24. 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.** Skirts/shorts/skorts (both genders), should be 2 inches below finger tips. Teams should wear a consistent colour or pattern. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. **A commercially made "Coach" pin must be worn on the front or sleeve and be visible at all times, unless the word "Coach" is embroidered on the shirt sleeve or chest. The first offence is a uniform violation. Subsequent violations during the same event, is removal from the tournament.** 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. A tournament official will discuss a dress code violation issue with the coach only. (It will be up to the coach to rectify the problem).**
25. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
26. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
27. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
28. There shall be no use of alcohol, non-prescribed drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
29. The Provincial Aggregate Banner shall be awarded to the Zone Association that finishes with the most aggregate points based on the Contingent's standing in all events; (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed Teams) and (Men's and Ladies' Singles).
30. Replicas of the Aggregate Banner shall be awarded to all members of the Contingent. The Aggregate point system to be used is as follows:

QUALIFYING ROUNDS

1 st	18	Points
2 nd	16	Points
3 rd	14	Points
4 th	12	Points
5 th	9	Points
6 th	8	Points

7 th	7	Points
8 th	6	Points
9 th	5	Points
10 th	4	Points
11 th	3	Points
12 th	2	Points
13 th	1	Point

SINGLES EVENTS

1 st	13	Points
2 nd	11	Points
3 rd	9	Points
4 th	7	Points
5 th	6	Points
6 th	5	Points
7 th	4	Points
8 th	3	Points
9 th	2	Points
10 th	1	Point

31. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**

- a) A Tournament game(s) or frame(s) within a game, which is irretrievably lost in the scoring process, is null and void. The game(s) or frame(s) must be re-bowled unless one of the following conditions is met:
 - i) Scores of any players that have been lost can be documented.
 - ii) The team captains/coaches can completely agree on one or more scores lost.
 - iii) The Tournament Committee rules that the game(s) or frame(s) are not to be re-bowled.

If scores on a pair of lanes can be documented or agreed upon, the game shall be continued from the point of agreement. If some but not all of the scores can be documented or agreed upon, the bowlers whose scores cannot be substantiated, shall re-bowl the game to the point of agreement/interruption, at which time the game shall be continued in regular order.

32. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

- a) The Tournament Officials may authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of certified lanes when equipment failure on the starting lanes would delay the normal progress of the game or series.
- b) An interrupted game and series, which cannot be completed on the same lane, must be resumed from the point of interruption.

ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

1. The Ontario Winter Games of the Youth Challenge shall be bowled every second year on a date and in a centre designated by the Ontario Winter Games committee.
2. The Ontario Winter Games shall be comprised of, and declare champions in three (3) events: Men's, Ladies' and Mixed team events.
3. All bowlers competing in the Ontario Winter Games (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) shall have their scratch scores count in all games of the round robin and these scores will be used to determine the All-Star team.
4. Bowlers who are members of teams declared as Youth Challenge Provincial Finalists shall be eligible to participate in the Ontario Winter Games against 2 teams in each division from Northern Ontario.
5. If a bowler is unable to attend the Ontario Winter Games after qualifying at the Youth Challenge Provincials, the replacement bowler will be the highest qualifier from that association that did not qualify to advance to the Ontario Winter Games. If all bowlers qualified, then we would go back to the Zone Round and take the next highest qualifier that did not advance to the Provincial Championships.
6. If a coach is unable to attend the Ontario Winter Games after qualifying at the Youth Challenge Provincials, the replacement coach will be chosen from the other team(s) from that Association that did not qualify to advance to the Ontario Winter Games. If all coaches qualified, then we would go back to the Zone Association and have them select a coach. If no coach from the Association can be found, then the O5PBA will select a coach.
7. Teams shall bowl five (5) and count five (5).
8. In each event, each team will bowl a Double Round Robin format.
9. In each game, the team assigned by lane draw to the right-hand lane shall be the **"HOME"** team and the team assigned to the left-hand lane shall be the **"AWAY"** team. The coach of the **"AWAY"** team is obligated to submit their line-up for each game before the line-up for the **"HOME"** team is submitted.
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13. The Winter Games Championships will use the format as follows:

The top three (3) teams, based on points accumulated in the match play double round robin qualifying round, will advance to the Championship Stepladder Final. The gold medal match will be a two (2) game playoff with the first (1st) place qualifying team being required to win only one (1) game to be declared champions.

During the Stepladder Finals:

- a) The third (3rd) place qualifying team will play the second (2nd) place qualifying team
- b) The winner of that match must defeat the first (1st) place team twice to be declared champions.

Note: In the event of a 4-4 tie in the Stepladder Final, another game will be bowled.

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