

Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba



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2016/2017

Membership Manual

Formats, Rules & Regulations for all Tournament Events

Dates to Remember

September 18 th , 2016	Deadline for Master/Senior Event Entry
November 15 th , 2016	Deadline for Master/Bantam/Junior Registration
January 15 th , 2017	MBA - Fundraising Requirements Deadline
April 1 st , 2017	Submission Deadline for Coaching Application at Nationals
June 29-July 4, 2017	Masters National Championships – Regina (Includes travel)

*****To All Master Bowlers*****

Please note that all tournament event start times that have been highlighted within this manual are subject to change. Every effort will be made to contact each Master bowler in the event a schedule change has been made, however it is the final responsibility of all Master bowlers to ensure and confirm the locations and times of all tournament events.



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A DIVISION OF THE MANITOBA 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION INC.

President's Welcome Letter

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the MBAM, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2016-17 bowling season.

As in recent seasons, our membership manual will be available on our website, as well as in hard copy at the opening tournament of the season for each division. Please take the time to read and understand the contents of our manual as it contains the rules and regulations of our Association, as well as our expectations of our membership. In particular, please pay attention to the *What's New* page in the manual to see what has changed for the 2016-17 season. The Board spent some considerable time in the spring revamping the dress code and conduct rules for the association and it is essential that all members review these rules carefully. Please remember that the Board of Directors is at your service, and if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact a Board member and let us know what you think.

Congratulations to our Manitoba contingent on a solid performance at the 2016 Masters Nationals in Surrey, BC. Our bowlers came away with two gold, one silver, and one bronze medal. In particular, congratulations go to our Teaching Ladies team and our Tournament Men's team on their gold medal performances.

The Winnipeg franchise owners of Liberty Tax Service are continuing their proud sponsorship of the Masters for a 7th season this year. The Liberty Tax perfect game award continues into a fourth season, and will be worth \$2000 to any Master that bowls a perfect game in one of our provincial tournaments. We continue to thank Liberty Tax for their incredible support and urge each and every member to support them whenever possible.

Among the highlights for this upcoming season include the 50th Masters Nationals in Regina and the launching of a new Masters Youth Tournament in order to replicate the "Masters experience" for youth bowlers and to help encourage YBC graduates to join our Association. Please look for details about this new tournament as we will require the assistance of several "established" Masters to make the event a success.

The funding provided to the Masters through the working of bingos represents a significant percentage of our annual revenue. Please support our need for bingo volunteers whenever the call goes out. It's only a three hour commitment, but it makes a huge difference for the funding of our sport and for the Masters.

In closing, I want to thank the membership for their continued support of the Masters. I wish you all the best of luck and much success this season.

Sincerely,

Tim Hooper
President, Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba

With the 2016-2017 season, we are tightening up a couple of areas that have needed some attention. These two items appear in the body of the membership book as well, but, by also highlighting them here, we hope to ensure that all members are aware of these changes

Uniforms – Rule #9 under General Rules now reads:

All members of the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba must adhere to the dress code set out below for all provincial qualifying events, as well as any youth events conducted by the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba.

Tops (shirts) – any collared (i.e. golf type) shirt identified with MBAM cresting or lettering. We encourage all members to wear the official provincial shirt with the Liberty Tax sponsorship during all events, but this is not mandatory. Shirts bearing other provinces' logos and names are not acceptable.

If a shirt is worn under the collared shirt, it must be plain (no logos, crests, printing, pictures), and one solid colour in either black, yellow, or white.

Bottoms – Any solid black: dress slack (no stripes or pattern), “Pace Setter” pant, yoga pant (no coloured waistband), shorts, skirts, or skorts. To be clear – the following are not acceptable: tights, leggings, capris, rugby pants, denim, stirrup pants, or sweat pants.

Both the tops and bottoms, along with your bowling shoes, should be clean and presentable (not torn or faded) befitting the prestige of the Association.

Deportment – Rule #14 under General Rules now reads:

Inappropriate Conduct or Conduct Unbecoming a Master Bowler includes: swearing loud enough for others to hear, abuse of bowling centre equipment (kicking or hitting ball racks, walls, seating, and scoring devices, pounding floors, and intentional lofting of balls), and loud and/or disruptive displays of negative emotions. This is not meant to discourage cheering, which, we acknowledge, can also be loud at times.

Any behavior found to be inappropriate as detailed above will be dealt with in the following manner:

Warning #1 – Verbal warning. The offending bowler will be advised of the particular behavior that has caused the warning and will be asked to watch his or her conduct to avoid a further warning. The consequences of a second warning will be explained at this time. The bowler is considered to have been given a “yellow card” at this point.

Warning #2 – The bowler will be asked to leave the tournament and will be advised that his or her scores will not count – as if he or she had not played the event. The bowler is considered to have been given a “red card” or disqualification at this point. In addition, that bowler will be ineligible to play in the next regularly scheduled tournament that he/she would be entitled to enter as a member of a division/divisions.

If a bowler receives a “yellow card” at more than one event in the same bowling season, he/she will be disqualified from participating in the next tournament, regardless of the division.

If a bowler receives a second “red card” in the same bowling season, that person will be suspended from the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba indefinitely until such time as he or she can demonstrate to the Board that they have adjusted their behavior sufficiently to warrant their reinstatement as a Master Bowler.

The Board reserves the right to rule on the possible suspension of any member for inappropriate conduct at any time.

In the case of suspension, the suspended bowler has the right to appeal the decision, in writing to the Board.

Warnings may be given by a Judge of Play, the Tournament Director, or any other Board Member present.

In the event that you are asked to leave the premises by the proprietor because of your behavior, you will have been deemed to have received a red card, with all the penalties that implies.

We are also adding a new Youth event to our schedule. Full details will follow as the format and details are still being finalized. Please see draft of entry form on page 28.

Respect in Sport Launches New Training Program - Sport Manitoba has announced that an updated and enhanced Respect in Sport Activity Leaders program to better prepare and inform coaches on how they can create a safe and ethical environment in their sport is now online and available for recertification. All coaches who have taken RiS in 2011 or earlier, need to complete the updated and enhanced version of RiS by April 1, 2017 to remain current. Going forward, coaches will need to re-certify every 5 years to maintain their RiS status. As their deadline coincides with our coaching application deadline, we are revising our coaching criteria to reflect that a coach must have completed the applicable RiS course by the coaching application deadline.

We appreciate the fundraising that each member does on an annual basis. The Grey Cup ticket sales form a large portion of the fundraising that we do annually that has enabled us to be able to sustain a healthy bank balance and to offer one of, if not the lowest assessment to the Nationals for the past many years.

Unfortunately, the timely collecting of tickets and funds has become more problematic over the last couple of seasons, so much so, that the Board felt it necessary to implement the following: If any MBAM member does not hand in their Grey Cup ticket money (and stubs) prior to the game, then, for the next 2 years, they have to take the \$60.00 fundraising option and cannot take Grey Cup tickets. If, after re-instatement of the right to sell tickets, they fail to hand in the money and stubs on time again, they are permanently required to take part in the cash fundraising option and will not be permitted to take Grey Cup tickets again.

If you have any ideas or suggestions that you would like to bring forward to improve or enhance our Association, please submit them in writing to any board member. See the board of directors listing for contact information.

2016 – 2017 Event Schedule

Teaching Division (e-mail or call Fran Johnson)

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Minimum Games</u>	<u>Submit Average Sheets As Of **</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
October 16, 2016	# 1	Rossmere	9:00 am	60	End of 15/16 season	October 6, 2016
November 6, 2016	#2	St. James	9:00 am	60	End of 15/16 season	October 27, 2016
January 8, 2017	#3	Polo Park	9:00 am	27	December 18, 2016	December 29, 2016
February 5, 2017	#4	Dakota	9:00 am	36	January 15, 2017	January 26, 2017
March 12, 2017	#5	Park	9:00 am	45	February 19, 2017	March 2, 2017
April 9, 2017	Final	Mosienko	8:30 am	60	March 19, 2017	March 30, 2017

Tournament Division (e-mail or call Geoff Born)

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
October 2, 2016	#1	Polo Park	9:00 am	September 22, 2016
November 20, 2016	#2	Rossmere	9:00 am	November 10, 2016
January 15, 2017	#3	St. James	9:00 am	January 5, 2017
February 5, 2017	#4	Dakota	9:00 am	January 26, 2017
March 19, 2017	#5	Coronation	9:00 am	March 19, 2017
April 9, 2017	Final	Mosienko	8:30 am	March 30, 2017

Seniors Division (e-mail or call Sherri Manek)

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Minimum Games</u>	<u>Submit Average Sheets As Of **</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
October 15, 2016	#1	Park	1:00 pm	60	End of 15/16 season	October 5, 2016
January 14, 2017	#2	Mosienko	1:00 pm	27	December 24, 2016	January 4, 2017
March 11, 2017	#3	Coronation	2:00 pm	45	February 18, 2017	March 1, 2017
April 2, 2017	Final	Academy	10:00 am	60	March 12, 2017	March 24, 2017

Master/YBC Senior Doubles Shootout (e-mail or call Steve Jennings)

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Average As Of</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
September 25, 2016	Dakota	9:00 am	End of 15/16 season	September 18, 2016

Master/Bantam/Junior Tournament (e-mail or call Steve Jennings)

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Minimum Games</u>	<u>Average As Of</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
December 11, 2016	Academy	9:00 am		See MBJ Rules	November 15, 2016

**** A new additional Youth Event is being planned for this year – Check out the draft entry from on page 28 – Stay Tuned for Updates !**

Annual Meeting – April 9th, 2017 – TBA – Following Tournament



2016 - 2017 Membership Fee Schedule

Tournament, Teaching or Senior Divisions

Membership fee – any one division	\$100.00
Membership fee - each <u>additional</u> division (Must be paid with application)	\$ 25.00

*(Cash Fundraising Option) – *see below* \$ 60.00

*In lieu of MBAM fundraising obligations, members may choose the \$60.00 cash fundraising option.

If this option is chosen, the \$60.00 MUST be included with membership registration & paid in full at time of application submission. Should this option not be chosen, full fundraising obligations must be met.

<p>Members may deduct \$50.00 from their registration fee if they reside 100 km or greater outside of Winnipeg</p>

Payment Options

1. Full payment with application (**Plus \$60.00 cash fundraising option if chosen**)
or
2. First payment of \$50.00 along with one (1) post-dated cheque of \$50.00 dated December 1st, 2016. **** (Plus \$60.00 cash fundraising option if chosen)** and plus \$25.00 for each additional division, if any

**** Post-dated cheque must be included with first payment and submission of application.
A surcharge of \$25.00 will be charged for any NSF cheque.**

NOTE: Members will not be allowed to bowl in any event(s) unless all outstanding funds and penalties owing to the MBAM are reconciled/received, including any charges owed for NSF cheques.

In Addition to the Membership Fees

Lineage for each 8 game tournament to be paid prior to the start of event **\$35.00**

Prize money at each event is optional and varies from division to division
Ask your tournament director when you are signing in the day of the event

Other Membership Options

<i>Associate Member</i>	Full payment with application	\$10.00
<i>Administrative Member</i>	Full payment with application	\$50.00

Incentive Program

For each “new member” recruited to the association, MBAM members in good standing will receive a \$50.00 credit to be applied against the current season’s provincial contingent assessment (if the member qualifies for the provincial team) and/or applied against next season’s membership dues. The credit will be applied once the “new member” has paid his/her membership dues in full and has met their fundraising obligation for that season. A “new member” is defined as any person who has not been a member of any provincial Master’s association within the past five (5) years.

ASSESSMENT FOR NATIONAL CONTINGENT - TBA

RETURNED CHEQUE FEE \$25.00

BINGOS AND FUNDRAISING

As the MBAM is a non-profit organization, the association relies heavily on various fundraisers to survive. Each year, our fundraising director is responsible for setting up and administering the fundraising on behalf of the board of directors of the MBAM. **All MBAM members (excluding associates) are required annually to raise a minimum amount of \$100.00 fundraising dollars as set out by the association, unless the \$60.00 cash fundraising option is chosen and paid at time of registration submission.** For current fundraising information and obligations, please contact the fundraising director listed in the Board of Directors directory.

The MBAM fundraising deadline is January 15th of the current bowling season

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A fundraising option is available to all MBAM members and includes the payment of \$60.00 in addition to all membership fees that must be submitted at the time of registration & membership payment

The MBAM is a member in good standing of the Manitoba Five Pin Bowling Federation, Inc.

The Manitoba Five Pin Bowling Federation, Inc. is a non-profit organization. Operating funds are generated through grants received from Sport Manitoba, and through monies raised by our volunteers working bingos at McPhillips Street Station and Club Regent. Occasionally, you will be called by a board member to volunteer for one of approximately 4 bingos which we are assigned in a season. The Manitoba Five Pin Bowling Federation, Inc. is required to supply 4 volunteers for each bingo. Please note, if the volunteer requirement is not met for any bingo, the grant is cut accordingly.

To volunteer, or for any further information please contact any MBAM board of director. Additionally, if you have any suggestions for fundraising, please contact the fundraising director listed in the Board of Directors directory.



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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE MASTER BOWLERS ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA INC.

The **MASTER BOWLERS ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA INC. (MBAM)** is a non-profit association which was formed in 1973 with the following aims and objectives:

AIMS

- The aim of the Master Bowlers Association is to gather together the finest bowlers in Canada.
- To set standards of sportsmanship, ethics and conduct that will bring prestige to the sport of bowling.

OBJECTIVES

- Master Bowlers will exemplify the high regard all dedicated bowlers have for their game.
- Master Bowlers will represent their areas in tournaments, championships and matches.
- Master Bowlers will be encouraged to conduct instructional clinics for youth, new and regular bowlers.
- Master Bowlers will conduct themselves as befitting a *Master* in all phases of the game.
- The Master Bowlers Executive Committee will, at all times, govern and regulate the conduct of the Member Master Bowlers.
- The Master Bowlers Association will arrange and conduct events, tournaments, championships, training seminars, matches and exhibitions for its members.

THE MBAM HAS RULES WHICH MUST BE ADHERED TO. APPLICANTS SHOULD BE SURE THAT THEY ARE AWARE OF THESE RULES AND ANY OTHER OBLIGATIONS THEY ACCEPT BY BECOMING MEMBERS.

****Please read this information package carefully****

MASTER BOWLERS ASSOCIATION GENERAL RULES

- 1) The MBAM will consist of a senior division, a tournament division, a teaching division, an administrative membership, and an associate membership.
- 2) All applications are subject to review and approval by the board of directors of the MBAM.
- 3) All MBAM tournaments will be conducted under the playing rules of the C5PBA and the Master Bowlers Association of Canada.
- 4) A surcharge of **\$25.00** will be charged for any NSF cheque issued. **Members will not be allowed to bowl in any event(s) unless all outstanding funds and penalties owing to the MBAM are reconciled/received, including any charges owed for NSF cheques.**
- 5) Membership fees are to be paid as outlined on the membership fee schedule.
- 6) All entry deadlines will be strictly observed.
- 7) All applicants must be at least 19 years of age by December 31st of the current year.
- 8)
 - a) All members of the tournament, teaching and senior divisions may be required to raise funds through various fundraising events throughout the year.
 - b) Deadline for fundraising is January 15th of the current season.
 - c) Any member who does not fulfill his/her fundraising obligations, as determined by the members at the AGM, will forfeit his/her eligibility to represent Manitoba at the Master Bowlers Association National Championships.
 - d) If the fundraising requirement is not met, the balance owing will be carried forward to the following season.
- 9) All members of the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba must adhere to the dress code set out below for all provincial qualifying events, as well as any youth events conducted by the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba.

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Both the tops and bottoms, along with your bowling shoes, should be clean and presentable (not torn or faded) befitting the prestige of the Association.

- 10) Bowlers will change lanes after each game is completed in tournament play.
- 11) Any game missed or frames missed count as a zero score in tournament play.
- 12) The consumption of alcohol is permitted within all divisions, **except** during the Youth Events.
- 13) The use of drug stimulants during a tournament is prohibited. Members under the obvious influence of drugs at the start of a tournament will face immediate disqualification from the current tournament. For subsequent offenses, the board of directors' decision will be final.
- 14) **Deportment** Inappropriate Conduct or Conduct Unbecoming a Master Bowler includes: swearing loud enough for others to hear, abuse of bowling centre equipment (kicking or hitting ball racks, walls, seating, and scoring devices, pounding floors, and intentional lofting of balls), and loud and/or disruptive displays of negative emotions. This is not meant to discourage cheering, which, we acknowledge, can also be loud at times.

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If a bowler receives a “yellow card” at more than one event in the same bowling season, he/she will be disqualified from participating in the next tournament, regardless of the division.

If a bowler receives a second “red card” in the same bowling season, that person will be suspended from the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba indefinitely until such time as he or she can demonstrate to the Board that they have adjusted their behavior sufficiently to warrant their reinstatement as a Master Bowler.

The Board reserves the right to rule on the possible suspension of any member for inappropriate conduct at any time.

In the case of suspension, the suspended bowler has the right to appeal the decision, in writing to the Board.

Warnings may be given by a Judge of Play, the Tournament Director, or any other Board Member present.

In the event that you are asked to leave the premises by the proprietor because of your behavior, you will have been deemed to have received a red card, with all the penalties that implies.

- 15) Any disputes between Master bowlers and the MBAM, other than the disqualification outlined in rule #13, will be settled by the right of appeal in writing by any or all parties.
- 16) Suspension or fining of a Master bowler for conduct detrimental to the MBAM or the sport of 5 pin bowling will be the end result of a written complaint within 30 days of the event and a hearing conducted by the board of directors of the MBAM. The right of appeal in writing by any or all parties is an inherent part of this rule.
- 17) Any member suspended during the season will be liable for any and all financial obligations as laid out for the senior, teaching and tournament division members, during the current year in which the suspension occurred. Failure to fulfill these obligations will eliminate any reinstatement in the MBAM until such time that obligations are paid in full.
- 18) Any bowler is allowed to enter one tournament during the season as a guest in each division of the Masters for which he or she qualifies; not including the last tournament of the season. He/she would be required to pay applicable lineage and would be eligible for prize money only if he/she chooses to participate in that part of the tournament and pays the applicable assessment for the prize money fund. Tournaments bowled as a guest do not count towards national qualifying or toward your Masters average.
- 19) In the event that a bowler qualifies for a national position in more than one division, he/she will advise the board prior to the start of the AGM as to which division he/she will compete for at the Nationals.
- 20) Following the final qualifying game for any of the national contingent positions, if there is a tie for the first, last or alternate position, the individuals concerned must bowl a one game roll off. In the case where all individuals are not present, the tie or ties will be broken by using the highest current season qualifying tournament, i.e. in the teaching and senior division this would be the highest POA; in the tournament division, the highest tournament pin fall.
- 21) Exceptions to any rules and regulations will be made at the discretion of the executive of the MBAM.
- 22) Although not a requirement of membership, the MBAM board strongly encourages all members to obtain and maintain their coaching certification through programs and clinics offered through the Manitoba Five Pin Bowling Federation.

TOURNAMENT DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1) New male applicants for membership must have a proven minimum average in one or more leagues of **215** subject to approval of the board of directors. New female applicants for membership must have a proven minimum average in one or more leagues of **200** subject to approval of the board of directors.
- 2) The minimum average requirements as outlined in rule #1 will apply to all renewing members, as well as members from other Master's divisions, who wish to compete in the tournament division as a secondary division. In addition to league average, the competitor may use their previous year's Masters average as a means of meeting the minimum average requirement, with a minimum of 24 games.
- 3) Tournament division members agree to participate in tournaments on the Manitoba tour each season. Lineage and any assessments (if applicable) must be paid by the members before the start of the tournament.
- 4) If entering the tournament division it is acknowledged that you will not be reimbursed for any membership fees, even though you may not participate in all of the tour tournaments (as set by the membership). Any extenuating circumstances shall be submitted in writing to the board of directors for their decision. As a courtesy to the tournament division director, please advise as soon as possible if you are unable to attend a tournament.
- 5) **FORMAT:** Tournament members may compete in up to six tournaments in a season. Each tournament consists of an eight game qualifying round. The top qualifier in each of the ladies and men's events will be awarded stars for winning each of the six tournaments.

Following each tournament event, an optional stepladder may be held. The stepladder format and cash prizes are to be determined by a vote by tournament members prior to the first tournament of the season. Stepladder scores do not count towards provincial singles or team positions.

- 6) In case of a tie for the last qualifying spot in any tournament, a complete game will be bowled to break the tie. If it is still tied, a two (2) frame roll-off will be bowled until a winner is declared.
- 7) Six (6) male and six (6) female competitors will qualify to represent Manitoba in the national championships each year. These tournament Masters will be determined by taking the top four (4) tournament scores out of the six possible tournaments. Once the top six (6) men and top six (6) women have been decided using the bowlers' best four (4) tournaments, the singles representatives will be declared by adding the bowlers' next best tournament and recalculating the results so that the top five (5) tournaments are used to declare the singles champions to represent Manitoba at the Nationals. The top male and female Masters obtaining the highest pinfall for the five (5) tournaments will be the singles representatives with the remaining five (5) being the team representatives. This means that to be eligible to be the singles representative, a bowler must have completed at least five (5) of the six (6) events. Any fundraising requirement must also be met by the stated deadline.

- 8) In the case of a tie for first (using five (5) tournaments) or sixth (using four (4) tournaments) position of the national contingent positions, please refer to rule 20 of the GENERAL RULES.
- 9) Exceptions to any rules and regulations will be made at the discretion of the executive of the MBAM.

TEACHING DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1) The teaching division is intended for those members whose prime interest is instructing and coaching.
- 2) Membership is open to all 5 pin bowlers regardless of their average.
- 3) Tournament format is pins over average. Lineage and any assessments (if applicable) must be paid by the members before the start of the tournament.
- 4) Six (6) tournaments will be held, of which the best four (4) will be used to determine the national team qualifiers. The top five (5) male and top five (5) female teaching division Masters will represent Manitoba in the Masters national championships each year. Once the top five (5) men and top five (5) women have been decided using the bowlers' best four (4) tournaments, the singles representatives will be declared by adding the bowlers' next best tournament and recalculating the results so that the top five (5) tournaments are used to declare the singles champions to represent Manitoba at the Nationals. The top male and female with the highest pins over average for the five (5) tournaments will represent the province as the singles representatives as well as playing on the team. This means that to be eligible to be the singles representative, a bowler must have completed at least five (5) of the six (6) events. Any fundraising requirement must also be met by the stated deadline.
- 5) In the case of a tie for first (using five (5) tournaments) or fifth (using four (4) tournaments) position of the national contingent positions, please refer to rule 20 of the GENERAL RULES.
- 6) If entering the teaching division it is acknowledged that all membership fees will be prepaid and you will not be reimbursed for any membership fees, even though you may not participate in all of the tournaments (as set by the membership). Any extenuating circumstances shall be submitted in writing to the board of directors for their decision. As a courtesy to the teaching division director, please advise as soon as possible if you are unable to attend a tournament.

SENIOR DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1) Membership is open to any bowler who has attained 50 years of age by December 31st of the current year, regardless of their average.
- 2) Four (4) tournaments of eight (8) games each will be conducted each season.
- 3) Tournament format is pins over average. Lineage and any assessments (if applicable) must be paid by the members before the start of the tournament.
- 4) Based on a best 3 of 4 tournaments, the top male and female bowlers plus the next 3 bowlers (regardless of gender) will qualify to represent and compete as a team at the national championships. The bowler (male or female) with the highest pins over average will also represent the province as the singles representatives.
- 5) In the case of a tie for any of the national contingent positions, please refer to rule 20 of the GENERAL RULES.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

For Masters who wish to participate in the MBJ tournament only. Associate members are required to wear a suitable uniform as outlined in the general rules and ANY FUNDRAISING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

***** Associate members must declare intention to participate by October 31st of the current year**

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBERS

For Masters who wish to let their name stand for a position on the provincial board, but who no longer wish to participate in tournaments.

- 1) Must be a member in good standing for at least 5 years.
- 2) May participate in the MBJ tournament, and optional tournaments as any non member.
- 3) Participation in fundraising is mandatory.
- 4) If elected to the board of directors, may be elected to the position of president and may represent the MBAM on the board of the Manitoba Five Pin Bowling Federation.

MASTER BOWLERS ASSOCIATION

AVERAGE CALCULATION RULES

- 1) As of the 2014/15 season, we are using a “one average” system, meaning all tournament games bowled, no matter in which division, will count toward a bowler’s Masters average. This one average will be used in all qualifying teaching and senior tournaments on the Manitoba Master Bowlers schedule. While tournament division (scratch play) doesn’t require an average, some of those players also play other divisions, which is why any tournament division games are factored into the calculation. The only exception to this rule is that when a Master may be competing in one division on a Saturday and another division on the next day, the average used for the Saturday will be the average used for the Sunday. It simply isn’t possible to do the calculations and submit the averages in time for play the next day.
- 2) If a bowler has bowled at least 96 tournament games in any combination of the teaching, tournament, and senior divisions, the average used for a tournament will be their tournament average over their last 96 tournament games. If a bowler has not bowled a Masters tournament (teaching, tournament, or seniors) in more than 4 years they will follow the same rules as new bowlers. All tournament games bowled prior to 4 seasons before the start of the current season will be dropped from the calculation. (e.g. for the 2016-2017 season, only tournaments bowled during the 2015/2016, 2014/2015, 2013/2014, and 2012/2013 seasons will be used). ***Please note: Games bowled in any of the divisions as a guest do not count toward the 96 games.***
- 3) New Master bowlers will use their highest qualifying league average for the first tournament that they bowl in teaching or senior divisions.
- 4) New Master bowlers who do not have a qualifying league average will bowl the first tournament in teaching or senior divisions using the highest average entered for the same gender at that tournament.
- 5) A qualifying league average will be defined as your league average at a specified date with a specified number of games bowled as of that date. (e.g.) For the 1st & 2nd tournaments of the year, a qualifying average would be your last year’s finishing average with at least 60 games bowled; for all remaining tournaments the current year league average will be used if the bowler has the minimum number of games as listed on the Event Schedule. If the bowler does not meet the minimum number of games for the average to qualify, they must indicate that when advising the tournament director of their intention to enter the tournament.
- 6) Until the minimum 96 games has been reached, all bowlers must submit all qualifying league averages for each tournament that they participate in by the specified date or a \$10.00 fee will be levied.
- 7) Bowlers who have less than 96 tournament games and have a qualifying league average will use a composite average for the tournament. The average formula will be: $((96 - \text{\# of tournament games}) \times \text{highest qualifying league average}) + \text{total tournament pinfall} / 96 = \text{tournament average}$.
- 8) Bowlers who have less than 96 tournament games and do not have a qualifying league average will replace the highest qualifying league average with the highest league average for the same sex for the tournament in the formula outline in rule #7.

EXAMPLES OF THE RULES

- A) John Bowler has 96 tournament games on file; his last tournament bowled was in April 2014. His average of these 96 tournament games is 189. His end of season league average is 191. Using rule #2, his average for the first tournament of the year will be 189.
- B) Mary Striker rejoined the teaching division after being away for 4 years. Her end of season averages are 195 and 192 with at least 60 games bowled in each league. The average she will use in the first tournament of the year will be 195 using rules #2 and #3.
- C) Peter Bowler has joined the teaching division for the first time. He did not bowl in a league last year and therefore does not have a qualifying league average for the first tournament of the year, see rule #5. The highest average entered in the tournament for the men is 229 and for the ladies is 230. His average for the tournament will be 229, See rule #4.
- D) Teri Fouler has bowled 24 tournament games over the past 4 years with a pinfall of 4,817. Her highest qualifying league average is 189. Her tournament average will be 191, see rule #7.
 $96 - 24 = 72$ $72 \times 189 = 13,608$ $13,608 + 4,817 = 18,425$ $18,425/96 = 191$
- E) Paula Pocket has bowled 64 tournament games over the past 4 years with a pinfall of 12,800 but did not bowl in a league last year due to an injury. The highest ladies average entered for the tournament is 230. Her tournament average will be 210, see rule #8.
 $96 - 64 = 32$ $32 \times 230 = 7,360$ $7,360 + 12,800 = 20,160$ $20,160/96 = 210$

MASTER/BANTAM/JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

The MBAM will conduct a Master/Bantam/Junior (MBJ) tournament annually.

A \$10.00 team entry fee, along with the names and averages of all team participants competing at the provincial final are to be forwarded to the MBJ chairperson by November 15th of the current season. Please contact the MBJ chairperson for further information regarding dates, locations and times.

Rules

- 1) All bowlers on the active membership list of the MBAM are eligible to compete. **Masters must be registered by November 15th of the current season to participate.**
- 2) For all levels of competition, all Master Bowlers must adhere to the MBAM General Dress Code. Please refer to Rule 9 in the MBA General Rules or contact the MBJ Coordinator for more information if needed.
- 3) All youth bowlers must be paid members of the YBC program and must have bowled a minimum of three (3) weeks in the current season prior to the average date for provincials.
- 4) Each team shall consist of 1 Master bowler and 3 youth bowlers. There must be at least 1 bantam bowler on the team with the remaining 2 bowlers being either bantams or juniors. There can be no more than 2 juniors per team. The MBJ coordinator for each house is responsible for selecting the team(s). House selection (to be determined at the discretion of the centre) must be completed by November 15th of the current season.
- 5) Teams that are one (1) bowler short at the provincial final will bowl using 9/10 of the missing bowler's average or the missing bowler may be substituted by another bowler from the same centre.
- 6) At the provincial final, winning teams will be determined by pinfall over averages for the YBC bowlers only. The Master's scores are of no consequence as participation with YBC is the important factor of this tournament.
- 7) The number of teams advancing to the provincial final from a centre cannot exceed 25% of the lane beds within that participating centre (i.e. A centre with 16 lane beds can send no more than 4 teams to the provincial final). In the case of a centre with a number of lane beds not divisible by 25% to a round number, that centre will round up to the nearest number. (i.e. A centre with 10 lane beds would be 2.5 teams, round up to 3 teams).
- 8) All competitors (Master and YBC bowlers) will be required to pay for their own lineage at the house round, if applicable. Lineage for the provincial final will be paid by the MBAM.
- 9) The Master bowler can be replaced by another Master if the need arises provided all Membership or Associate fees have been paid. If this situation occurs, the replacement Master will continue with the team.

- 10) In the case of any road closures due to inclement weather the provincial final may be a telephone hook-up. All out-of-town roll-offs must be completed by 12:00 pm on the day the provincials are bowled. The provincial final will be held on the second Sunday in December.
- 11) In case of a tie during the provincial final, the team with the most pins over average in the last game will be declared the winner.
- 12) Any exceptions to the above rules will be made at the discretion of the executive of the MBAM.

GUIDELINES FOR PERSONAL BOWLING BALLS

- 1) Under the rules of the C5PBA, the use of personal bowling balls will be allowed where facilities permit. This simply means that each individual proprietor/manager has the authority to allow or disallow the use of personal bowling balls in his/her bowling center.
- 2) The specifications for bowling balls are:
 - a) A bowling ball must be of uniform roundness without indentations, other than wear and tear, and produced of one solid piece of material (plastic or rubber).
 - b) The size range of ball shall be from 4 3/4 inches +/- 1/32" to 5 inches +/- 1/32".
 - c) The weight range of the ball shall be from 3 lbs. 4 oz. to 3 lbs. 10 oz.
- 3) A maximum of two (2) balls per player shall be placed on the ball racks.
- 4) A house ball must be used should a delay in ball return occur.
- 5) It is considered poor etiquette to use another bowler's ball without permission.
- 6) There should be sufficient house balls on each rack to accommodate bowlers who do not have personal bowling balls.
- 7) The bowling center shall not be liable for damage to personal bowling balls.
- 8) Identification markings are mandatory in Masters tournaments.

COACHING CRITERIA

To be eligible to coach at the Masters nationals, the applicant must:

- 1) Be a member in good standing of the MBAM.
- 2) Meet minimum fundraising obligations by the stated deadline.
- 3) Be a certified Competitive Coach by the coaching application deadline (April 1st of the current season).
- 4) Have completed the applicable “Respect in Sport” program by the coaching deadline. For those who originally took the course in 2011 or earlier, this means completing the new course on line.
- 5) Ensure that their applications are delivered to a board member or post-marked no later than the deadline (April 1st of the current season).

COACHING EXPECTATIONS

- 1) Coaches are to make sure their team knows at what times and on what lanes they bowl.
- 2) Coaches are to ensure that all bowlers know that they are required to be at the lanes twenty (20) minutes prior to bowling. Coaches must contact the chief judge of play or tournament official to register their bowlers prior to bowling.
- 3) Coaches are to make sure their bowlers are on hand for the scheduled warm-up preceding each block.
- 4) Coaches should make sure all team members are dressed properly.
- 5) Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their bowlers for the duration of the event: (event is defined as 'from the time you leave home until the time you return home').
 - Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed during the competition.
 - Chemical depressants or stimulants (performance enhancing drugs) may not be consumed during the competition.
 - Intoxicated bowlers or coaches shall be removed from the competition and may be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.
 - No food or beverages are allowed in the bowler's enclosure.
 - No smoking will be allowed while the tournament is in progress.
- 6) Coaches are responsible for having all bowlers arrive on time and in uniform at the victory banquet.
- 7) Coaches should make their bowlers aware of all rules as violations may result in penalties being assessed or suspensions from the championships.

All applications submitted are subject to review by the board of directors of the MBAM.

COACHES AND PLAYERS
GUIDELINES PERTAINING TO MASTERS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1) All participants will conduct themselves in accordance with the MBAM code of ethics when representing their province at the national championships.
- 2) Be courteous to opponents, spectators, officials, media, coaches and teammates at all times.
- 3) Sportsmanship is expected from each individual. An unruly show of emotions is not acceptable.
- 4) Conduct of bowlers is the ultimate responsibility of the coach, and as such, the coach has the authority to discipline.
- 5) As you are an athlete or coach, please remember there is a time for bowling and a time for celebrating. Ensure that you are in the "BEST" possible physical and mental condition while on the lanes.
- 6) Curfews may be implemented by coaches if the need arises.
- 7) Instructions outlined in team manager's briefing will be reasonable and must be adhered to or replacements will be made.
- 8) Failure to comply with the above stated guidelines may result in disqualification from the event on recommendation of the coach and an immediate trip home at the bowler's own expense.
- 9) Attend **all** functions associated with the Masters national championships. If, for medical/health reasons, you are unable to attend a scheduled event, you **MUST** communicate this to your coach in advance who **MUST** immediately advise the team manager and explain the circumstances.
- 10) The Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba has the jurisdiction to arrange all travel requirements as deemed necessary. Any deviation of these arrangements by a contingent member will be at the contingent member's own expense.
- 11) The Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba reserves the right to establish an individual contingent assessment fee as deemed necessary by the board of directors, and that will be reviewed on an annual basis.
- 12) Each contingent member will be required to sign a waiver which will outline the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba's expectations at the national championships. This waiver is to be signed prior to departure for the championships.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS – 2015-2016

TEACHING DIVISION

Tournament Winners

October 18, 2015	Lana Wachal	Brett Hendrickson
November 8, 2015	Sam Hunt	Ralph Gelardi
January 3, 2016	Natalie Young	Gus Scaletta
February 21, 2016	Lana Wachal	David Wastle
March 13, 2016	Cyndie Barnett	Darren Maxwell
April 10, 2016	May Goldsworthy	Dave Macri

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Natalie Young	Finish: 8th
	Ralph Gelardi	Finish: 5th
Teams	Natalie Young	Ralph Gelardi
	Sam Hunt	Gus Scaletta
	Tabatha Gelardi	Tim Hooper
	Cyndie Barnett	Brett Hendrickson
	Lana Wachal	Dave Macri
	Coach: Lorne Sproule	Coach: Dwight Hurd
	Finish: 1 st (Gold Medal)	Finish: 7th

SENIOR DIVISION

Tournament Winners

October 17, 2015	Rhonda Jones
November 14, 2015	Wade Power
February 20, 2016	May Goldsworthy
April 3, 2016	Cal Goldsworthy

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Wade Power	Finish: 2nd (Silver Medal)
Team	Wade Power	
	Louise Stevenson	
	Calvin Goldsworthy	
	May Goldsworthy	
	Flo Welch	
	Coach: Jim Anderson	
	Finish: 4th	

TOURNAMENT DIVISION

Tournament Winners

October 4, 2015	Erin Newton	Geoff Born
November 15, 2015	Erin Newton	Ian Sylvester
January 3, 2016	Karen Armstrong	Willie Orne (guest)
February 7, 2016	Karen Armstrong	Randy Morrisette
March 20, 2016	Marla Fedeniuk	Jim Llewellyn Jr.
April 10, 2016	Karen Armstrong	Randy Morrisette

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Chris Monchak	Finish: 6th	
	Trevor Cook	Finish: 6th	
Teams	Karen Armstrong		Cordell Galbecka
	Janna Van Walleggem		Geoff Born
	Linda Orne		Kyle Young
	Jessica Meurrens		Randy Morrisette
	Holly Chaikowski		Brandon Mansell
	Coach: Sandi Anderson		Coach: Krista Purdy
	Finish: 3rd (Bronze Medal)		Finish: 1 st (Gold Medal)

MASTER BANTAM JUNIOR TOURNAMENT – December 1, 2015

Sherri Manek – Mosienko Lanes

Jayde Magus
Landen Mackay
Christian Boyle

MASTER SENIOR TOURNAMENT - November 1, 2015

Trevor Cook and Matthew Rodych



MASTER BOWLERS ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA INC.

Master/YBC Senior Doubles Tournament

This season the Master/YBC Senior Doubles Tournament is scheduled to take place on Sunday, September 25, 2016 at Dakota Lanes at 9:00 a.m. The format for this season will once again be a Doubles Event with each team consisting of one (1) Master Bowler and one (1) YBC Senior.

(Associate Members of the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba are not eligible for this event)

Each team will play four (4) games using no-tap scoring. The team with the highest number of pins over their combined average will be declared the winner. The cost of this event will be \$25.00 per person. (\$50.00 per team)

This tournament provides our YBC Seniors with a sneak peak at the Master Bowlers Association and the opportunity to get to know some of our current membership. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me directly at steve_jennings@manitobamasterbowlers.com or by phone at (204) 261-1951. I will also be happy to pick up entries from any centre on or before the entry deadline of September 18th.

You may enter as a team or, if you would like me to help you find a partner, I will do my best to accommodate every request but please let me know as soon as possible. This goes for both the Master Bowler and the YBC player wishing to enter.

Master Bowlers will use their Masters average as at the end of the 2015/16 season. New Masters and YBC bowlers will use their highest league average as of the end of the 2015/16 season. **YBC Bowlers: Please make sure you include your average on your entry form.**

Steve Jennings, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director

Master/YBC Senior Tournament Entry Form

Sunday, September 25th 2016 – Dakota Lanes - 9:00 am

Master Bowler

Masters Average at end of 2015-16 season

YBC Senior Bowler

Highest League Average at end of 2015-16 season

Please submit this entry form along with your \$25.00/bowler fee by **September 18, 2016** to:

Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba
c/o Steve Jennings, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director
145 Pacific Avenue - Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2Z6

2017 MBAM YOUTH BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIP

February 12, 2017

9:00 a.m. at Rossmere Lanes

Entry Fee: \$60 (for 2 separate 3 game events) with 2 divisions –

Pins Over Average and Scratch

Format: 3 games; lunch with Pro-Speak; 3 games

Prize Money Payouts:

for each division's event based on 30 Entries

1st \$200, 2nd \$130, 3rd \$90

For each High Game \$30

1 draw per shift for \$50 gift card

Name of Entrant:_____

High League Average as of January 22, 2017:_____

Bowling Centre:_____

Event is open to YBC Senior Bowlers



Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

APPLICATION FORM FOR COACHING TEAMS AT NATIONALS

*** APPLICATION DEADLINE – APRIL 1, 2017 ***

In order to be selected as a coach, you must:

- be a fully certified Competitive Coach *and*
- have completed the applicable Respect in Sport module by the coaching deadline *and*
- have met your fundraising obligations by January 15 of the current season

Name of Master: _____ NCCP Passport # CC _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

All applicants will be considered by teams in order of their yearly rotation position

Please select at least one of the following teams you would be interested in coaching. Prior to the coach selection process you will be asked to confirm which team(s) you are willing to coach. This may or may not correspond to the team(s) selected below.

Teaching Men _____

Teaching Ladies _____

Tournament Men _____

Tournament Ladies _____

Seniors _____

Any of the Teams _____

Previous Coaching Experience – Please use the reverse side of this page if you require more room.

I have read and fully understand the **coaching criteria & expectations** as outlined within the MBAM manual and agree to abide by the rules, regulations and by-laws of the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba, Inc.

Date

Signature of Applicant

Please review coaching criteria & expectations prior to signing & submission of application

Submit Application to:

**President, Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba
145 Pacific Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2Z6**

Previous Coaching Experience – Continued....

Name of Master: _____

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Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

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2016 - 2017 MBAM Shirt Order Form

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: (B) _____ (R) _____

The cost per shirt is: **\$ 55.00 (includes taxes) for all sizes**
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Please indicate shirt size: Men's _____ or Ladies _____

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____

X-Large _____ 2 XLarge _____ Other _____

Please make cheque payable to:

Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba
c/o 145 Pacific Avenue

