

# Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba



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2017/2018

## Membership Manual

*Formats, Rules & Regulations for all Tournament Events*

## **Dates to Remember**

October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017      Deadline for Master/Senior Event Entry

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017      Deadline for Master/Bantam/Junior Registration

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018      MBA - Fundraising Requirements Deadline

April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018      Submission Deadline for Coaching Application at Nationals

June 30-July 5, 2018      Masters National Championships – Thunder Bay (Includes travel)  
(Unless we decide to leave a day early – then June 29<sup>th</sup>)

### **\*\*\*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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MBA Registration Form

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# Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

## President's Welcome Letter

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the MBAM, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2017-18 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 2017-18 season. Once again, the Board spent considerable time revising the dress code in an effort to eliminate any possible ambiguity about what is or isn't allowed in our provincial tournaments. The introduction of a scratch component to our Senior Division is also covered here and it is essential that all Senior Division members read that section with special care. As always, the Board of Directors is at your service, and if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas please don't hesitate to contact a Board member and let us know what you think.

At the 2017 Masters Nationals in Regina, our Manitoba contingent worked hard, tried their best, and exhibited great sportsmanship. At the end of the tournament, our contingent walked away with two medals, a second consecutive gold medal for the Teaching Ladies' Team and a bronze medal in the Teaching Men's Singles.

The Winnipeg franchise owners of Liberty Tax Service are continuing their proud sponsorship of the Masters for an 8<sup>th</sup> season this year. The Liberty Tax perfect game award continues into a fifth season, and will be worth \$2500 to any Master that bowls a perfect game in one of our provincial tournaments. We continue to thank Liberty Tax for their support and urge each and every member to support them whenever possible.

The expansion of our Youth Tournaments last season to three events with the introduction of the Masters Youth Championship was a big success and we will be offering the same tournaments again this season. It is through these events that we can grow an interest in our Association from the next generation of competitive bowlers and I encourage all members to help out and participate in these events if asked as they are a lot of fun and essential to the long-term health of our Association.

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

## **New for 2017 – 2018**

While the issue with appropriate attire at our qualifying tournaments is not a new issue, we are again putting it front and centre on this page in the hopes that everyone will see that we are only trying to uphold the prestigious status of our Association by enforcing a dress code that certainly allows for individual choice, while insisting that certain standards are met. Even the LPGA has had to make changes to their dress code recently because some of the players were taking advantage of grey areas in the rules and had become far too casual in their appearance. We, like them, only want to ensure that we are presenting our sport and our Association in the best way possible, and to set an example for others to follow.

So – in that vein, we have once again made a couple of tweaks to the uniform policy, which can be found in its entirety in the General Rules – Rule #9. Below are only the changes that have been made for this coming season.

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

### **Scratch Division added to Senior Division**

As voted in by the membership at the 2016-2017 AGM, this year will see the Senior Division join many of the other provinces by adding a scratch division. When you complete your registration form, to play in the Senior Division, you must select only 1 – either POA or scratch – you cannot play in both.

However, even the scratch players will be vying to be the singles representative on the national contingent. For that spot only – we will also compile the POA of each scratch player and the singles spot will go to the player who has the highest POA for the 3 qualifying events, regardless of whether he/she played POA or scratch in the events.

For this first year, and assuming that at least 11% of the Senior Division is made up of scratch players, the Senior team representing Manitoba at the Nationals will be made up of: highest male POA, highest female POA, highest scratch (regardless of sex), next two high POA (regardless of sex).

For the complete new rules regarding the Senior Division, please see the Senior Division Rules on the website or in the membership book.

**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.**

## 2017 – 2018 Event Schedule

### ***Teaching Division (e-mail or call Natalie Young)***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Tournament</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Minimum Games</u></b>	<b><u>Submit Average Sheets As Of **</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
October 15, 2017	# 1	Mosienko	9:00 am	60	End of 16/17 season	October 5, 2017
November 5, 2017	#2	St. James	9:00 am	60	End of 16/17 season	October 26, 2017
January 7, 2018	#3	Dakota	9:00 am	27	December 17, 2017	December 28, 2017
February 4, 2018	#4	Polo Park	9:00 am	36	January 14, 2018	January 25, 2018
March 18, 2018	#5	Rossmere	9:00 am	45	February 25, 2018	March 8, 2018
April 22, 2018	Final	Uptown	8:30 am	60	April 1, 2018	April 12, 2018

### ***Tournament Division (e-mail or call Kyle Young)***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Tournament</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
October 1, 2017	#1	St. Janes	9:00 am	September 21, 2017
November 19, 2017	#2	Mosienko	9:00 am	November 9, 2017
January 14, 2018	#3	Rossmere	9:00 am	January 4, 2018
February 4, 2018	#4	Polo Park	9:00 am	January 25, 2018
March 11, 2018	#5	Dakota	9:00 am	March 1, 2018
April 22, 2018	Final	Uptown	8:30 am	April 12, 2018

### ***Seniors Division (e-mail or call Geoff Born)***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Tournament</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Minimum Games</u></b>	<b><u>Submit Average Sheets As Of **</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
October 14, 2017	#1	Rossmere	1:30 pm	60	End of 16/17 season	October 4, 2017
January 7, 2018	#2	Dakota	9:00 am	27	December 17, 2017	December 28, 2017
March 10, 2018	#3	St. James	12:30 pm	45	February 17, 2018	February 28, 2018
April 8, 2018	Final	Polo Park	9:00 am	60	March 18, 2018	March 29, 2018

### ***For All Youth Events (e-mail or call Steve Jennings)***

#### ***Master/YBC Senior Doubles Shootout***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Average As Of</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
October 29, 2017	Mosienko	9:00 am	End of 16/17 season	October 15, 2017

#### ***Master/Bantam/Junior***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Times</u></b>	<b><u>Average As Of</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
December 10, 2017	St. James	9:00 am      12:00 pm	See MBJ Rules	November 15, 2017

#### ***MBAM Youth Championship***

<b><u>Tournament Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Average As Of</u></b>	<b><u>Entry Cut Off</u></b>
February 11, 2018	Coronation	9:00 am	January 21, 2018	January 28, 2018

**Annual Meeting – April 22, 2017 – TBA – Following Tournament**



## **2017 - 2018 Membership Fee Schedule**

## **Tournament, Teaching or Senior Divisions**

Membership fee – any one division	\$100.00
Membership fee - each <b><u>additional</u></b> division	\$ 25.00
(Must be paid with application)	
*(Cash Fundraising Option) – <i>see below</i>	\$ 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.

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

## **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. **\*\* (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** **\$40.00**

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**

## **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 15<sup>th</sup> 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**

To supplement our fundraising dollars, during our events Masters typically sells 50-50 draw tickets and sometimes other draw tickets, none of which are mandatory, but help to ensure Masters has the cash to continue to compete at the nationals without expecting the bowlers and coaches to pay large sums out of their own pockets. Please continue to support these fundraising initiatives.

In addition to the fundraising requirement, Masters typically hosts a fundraising event each year that involves selling tickets to your friends and relatives, providing donations for a silent auction, and sometimes helping out at the event itself. Please help out your Association in any way that you can when these events come up. It is only through a joint effort of all of the Membership that these events can be a success.

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.



## Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

### **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 31<sup>st</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

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), walking or golf shorts, skirts, or skorts. To be clear – the following are not acceptable: basketball or gym shorts, tights, leggings, capris, rugby pants, denim, stirrup pants, pants with a gathered or elastic hem, 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.

- 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.

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.

- 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 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year, regardless of their average.

- 2) Four (4) tournaments of eight (8) games each will be conducted each season.
- 3) Effective with the 2017/18 season, Senior Division bowlers have the choice of entering to compete using a pins over average (POA) format or a scratch format. Lineage and any assessments (if applicable) must be paid by the members before the start of the tournament.
- 4) If, at the start of any season, there are not sufficient people choosing to play the scratch format to allow for at least 1 player qualifying for the Nationals to be a scratch player (see rules below), those people selecting scratch on their entry form will be given the opportunity to change their selection to POA and to compete in the Senior Division on a POA basis.

Once you have played an event in any season as a POA or scratch bowler, you cannot switch to the other format for the duration of the current bowling season, but you again have the choice between the two when you register next and subsequent seasons.

- 5) Based on the best 3 of the 4 qualifying events, the National team will consist of a combination of POA and scratch Seniors. The ratio of POA to Scratch will be based on the % of scratch players versus the total participants in the Senior Division:
  - a) If less than 11% of the total Senior membership is scratch – then no scratch position(s) will be available on the National team
  - b) If 11-30% are scratch-then 1 scratch member will qualify together with 4 POA members
  - c) If 31-50% are scratch-then 2 scratch members will qualify together with 3 POA members
  - d) If 51-70% are scratch-then 3 scratch members will qualify together with 2 POA members
  - e) If 71-90% are scratch-then 4 scratch members will qualify together with 1 POA member

Example #1 – 5 people elect to bowl on a scratch basis and 35 people elect to bowl POA. Because 5/40 is 12.5% - rule b) applies and 1 scratch member will qualify together with 4 POA members

Example #2 – 3 people elect to bowl on a scratch basis and 35 people elect to bowl POA  
 Because 3/38 is less than 11% - rule a) applies and there would be no scratch position available. All 5 positions would be POA. In this case – those 3 people would have been advised of this and asked if they still want to play the Senior Division, but the POA format.

**For the first season only (2017/18)** – it was agreed there will only be 1 scratch position available for the National team, so long as the 11% threshold is reached.

This would mean that the National Senior Division team would be made up of:

1. Highest Male POA (using 3 out of 4 events)
2. Highest Female POA (using 3 out of 4 events)
3. Highest Scratch (either sex – using 3 out of 4 events)
4. Next highest POA (either sex – using 3 out of 4 events)
5. Next highest POA (either sex – using 3 out of 4 events)

To determine the Senior Singles representative, whoever has the highest POA for their best 3 out of 4 events will be the singles representative. To be clear - For this position only, all players playing scratch will also have their POA calculated for their best 3 of 4 events and are also eligible for this

prestigious honor. This in no way makes the scratch players eligible for any tournament stars or prize money on the POA side.

- 6) 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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 2017-2018 season, only tournaments bowled during the 2016/2017, 2015/2016, 2014/2015, and 2013/2014 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 - # of tournament games) x highest qualifying league average ) + total tournament pinfall) /96 = 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 from the 2013/14 and 2014/15 seasons; his last tournament bowled was in April 2015. 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 – 2016-2017**

### **TEACHING DIVISION**

#### **Tournament Winners**

Rossmee	Cyndie Barnett	Tim Hooper
St. James	Gisele Sayer	Robbie Hendrickson
Polo Park	Tabatha Gelardi	Roy Thompson
Dakota	Tabatha Gelardi	Dylan Stevenson
Park	Char McIvor	Mike Siedlecki
Mosienko	May Goldsworthy	Jerry Besyk

#### **REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS**

<b>Singles</b>	Cyndie Barnett Tim Hooper	Finish: 4th Finish: 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Bronze Medal)
<b>Teams</b>	Cyndie Barnett Tabatha Gelardi Flo Welch Destiny Hodson Christine McBride Coach: Dwight Hurd	Tim Hooper Robbie Hendrickson Roy Thompson Louis Lavellee Chad Hurd Coach: Lorne Sproule
	Finish: 1 <sup>st</sup> (Gold Medal)	Finish: 5th

### **SENIOR DIVISION**

#### **Tournament Winners**

Park	Lorne Sproule
Mosienko	Serge Poulin
Coronation	Terry Smith
Academy Uptown	Terry Smith

#### **REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS**

<b>Singles</b>	Terry Smith	Finish: 4th
<b>Team</b>	Terry Smith Serge Poulin May Goldsworthy Wade Power Jim Kuslak Coach: Jim Anderson	
	Finish: 5th	

\* Note: Lorne Sproule qualified for the National Team but elected to pull out

## TOURNAMENT DIVISION

### Tournament Winners

Polo Park	Janna Van Walleghem	Brandon Mansell
Rossmere	Erin Newton	Geoff Born
St. James	Jennifer Devenney	Geoff Born
Dakota	Jennifer Devenney	George Stecki
Academy Uptown	Janna Van Walleghem	Brad Rusnak
Mosienko	Linda Orne	Brandon Mansell

### REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

<b>Singles</b>	Jennifer Devenney Brandon Mansell	Finish: 6th Finish: 8th	
<b>Teams</b>	Janna Van Walleghem Erin Newton Holly Chaikowski Cindy Cousins Linda Orne Coach: Sandi Anderson	Geoff Born Brad Rusnak Randy Morrisette Kyle Costello Ian Sylvester Coach: Kyle Young	
	Finish: 5 <sup>th</sup>	Finish: 7th	

### MASTER SENIOR TOURNAMENT - September 25, 2016

Natalie Young and Alycia Mann

### MASTER BANTAM JUNIOR TOURNAMENT – December 11, 2016

Erin Newton – Rossmere Lanes  
Kaylie Alaire  
Cole Newton  
Aiden Newton

### 2017 MBAM YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP – February 12, 2017

**Event #1** – Scratch Side – Derek Orne                    POA Side – A.J. Kauenhofen  
**Event #2** – Scratch Side – Derek Orne                    POA Side – Coby Maxwell



## 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, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Mosienko 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 peek 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](mailto: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 October 15th.

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 2016/17 season. New Masters and YBC bowlers will use their highest league average as of the end of the 2016/17 season. **YBC Bowlers: Please make sure you include your average on your entry form.**

Steve Jennings, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director

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### **Master/YBC Senior Tournament Entry Form**

**Sunday, October 29th 2017 – Mosienko Lanes - 9:00 am**

Master Bowler

Masters Average at end of 2016-17 season

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YBC Senior Bowler

Highest League Average at end of 2016-17 season

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Please submit this entry form along with your \$25.00/bowler fee **by October 15, 2017** to:

**Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba  
c/o Steve Jennings, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director**

# **2018 MBAM YOUTH BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIP**

February 11, 2018

9:00 a.m. at Coronation 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

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**Prize Money Payouts:** for each division's event based on  
20 Entries (19 Entries in 2017)

1st \$80, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$40

For each High Game \$10

\*\*\*Prize money will be adjusted based on the number of entries\*\*\*  
1 draw per shift for \$50 gift card

**Lunch sponsored by the Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba**

**YBC Senior Bowler -** \_\_\_\_\_

**Highest League Average as of Jan 21/2018 -** \_\_\_\_\_

**Entries c/o Steve Jennings, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director Entry  
deadline: Jan 28/2018**

**[steve\\_jennings@manitobamasterbowlers.com](mailto:steve_jennings@manitobamasterbowlers.com) or 204-261-1951 or**

**145 Pacific Avenue - Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2Z6**



## Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

### APPLICATION FORM FOR COACHING TEAMS AT NATIONALS

\*\*\* APPLICATION DEADLINE – APRIL 1, 2018 \*\*\*

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

