

Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba



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2019/2020 Membership Manual

Formats, Rules & Regulations for all Tournament Events

Dates to Remember

October 15 th , 2019	Deadline for Master/Senior Event Entry
November 15 th , 2019	Deadline for Master/Bantam/Junior Registration
January 15 th , 2020	MBA - Fundraising Requirements Deadline
April 1 st , 2020	Submission Deadline for Coaching Application at Nationals
June 27-July 3, 2020	Masters National Championships – St. John's Newfoundland (Includes travel) (Note: this is early arrival day)

*****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

*Appendices are included with this package and are separate from this manual

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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 2019-20 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 2019-20 season.

Based on the results of our email survey over the summer, your Board decided that we would bowl 6 game tournaments this season. At the AGM at the end of this season, a discussion and vote will take place to determine if we continue with the 6 games per tournament or return to the 8 games per tournament. 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 2019 Masters Nationals in Gatineau, our Manitoba contingent represented our Association with pride and class, and was ultimately very successful, finishing 3rd in the Aggregate standings. At the end of the tournament, our contingent came home with five medals – one gold, two silver, and two bronze. I would like to extend special congratulations to our Teaching Ladies' Team on their gold medal victory.

As a result of the change in the pricing models for tournament lineage for our events, it is essential that we maximize the time available to us during the events. Your Board asks that all members be ready to play when it is their turn to bowl so that our events do not run over the time that has been booked. It is also essential that members let their tournament directors know if they will be not attending a tournament well in advance so that we can provide an accurate number to the centres well before the tournament.

A concern has been raised by numerous proprietors over the last year or two about bowlers bringing outside food and drink into the bowling centres during tournaments. Our partners at Bowl Manitoba have been very supportive of the Masters and our programs over the years and it is important that we support their businesses by purchasing food and drink from them. They have indicated a willingness to bring specific items in for the tournaments if we request them so we will be looking for your input in the fall in order to help us work with the bowling centres for the remainder of the season.

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 2019 – 2020

For this season, both Tournament and Teaching Divisions will continue to play 6 events, and Seniors will continue to play 4 events. However, each of those events will only consist of 6 games (rather than 8). We are leaving the lineage at \$40.00 until we see what effect, if any, the revised pricing policy has on the cost.

This also means that the average calculations will be done based on your last 12 tournaments, rather than your last 96 games, because you will be adding 6 games to the calculation but deleting 8 games each time you play an event this year. Players without 12 tournaments in the previous 4 years will factor in their highest league average, if any, to come up with the equivalent of a 12 event average.

Another change is that each division will have their own separate final tournament. As we have discussed previously, trying to combine the events was a nightmare for us and the bowling centre. This does mean, however, that if you play more than 1 division, you will be required to prepay the final event lineage for each of the divisions that you have entered.

Please note – starting time for each event is 8:30 am (with the possible exception of Selkirk – may be 9:00 am - TBA)

The bowling proprietors have been very generous in the past about ignoring outside food and beverages being brought in to their establishments, but, going forward, we will be respecting their rules and we agree not to bring in any outside food or beverages. Some proprietors have water dispensers available but in other centres, water is always available for purchase. The proprietors are willing to bring in specific foods (eg. fruit) if it will help. Of course, they are willing to make exceptions for persons with food allergies/limitations.

Because of a change to MBAC rules, the eligibility for senior division has been changed to reflect that a person is eligible for that division as long as he/she is or will be 50 years of age prior to the start of the National Championships.

Clarification regarding Custom Shirts and Cresting: With the creation of custom bowling shirts becoming more mainstream, we acknowledge that many players are wanting to design their own shirts that can be worn during our provincial events. Because the MBA cresting is part of the shirt, it is mandatory that members submit their design to the Board for approval prior to having the shirt created. Please note that the only 2 acceptable placements for the MBA crest are: on the front (chest area), or on either sleeve. This applies to shirts where the crest is part of the shirt and also to cresting attached to any shirt when worn during our provincial events.

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.

2019 – 2020 Event Schedule

Teaching Division (e-mail or call Lorne Sproule)

<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>
September 29, 2019	# 1	Rossmere	8:30 am	45	End of 18/19 season	September 19, 2019
November 17, 2019	#2	St. James	8:30 am	45	End of 18/19 season	November 7, 2019
January 5, 2020	#3	Polo Park	8:30 am	27	December 15, 2019	December 26, 2019
February 9, 2020	#4	Dakota	8:30 am	36	January 19, 2020	January 30, 2020
March 8, 2020	#5	Mosienko	8:30 am	45	February 16, 2020	February 27, 2020
April 19, 2020	Final	Rossmere	8:30 am	45	March 29, 2020	April 9, 2020

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 20, 2019	#1	St. James	8:30 am		October 10, 2019
December 1, 2019	#2	Rossmere	8:30 am		November 21, 2019
January 12, 2020	#3	Mosienko	8:30 am		January 2, 2020
February 9, 2020	#4	Dakota	8:30 am		January 30, 2020
March 15, 2020	#5	Polo Park	8:30 am		March 5, 2020
April 26, 2020	Final	St. James	8:30 am		April 16, 2020

Seniors Division (e-mail or call Holly Chaikowski)

<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 6, 2019	#1	Dakota	8:30 am	45	End of 18/19 season	September 26, 2019
December 1, 2019	#2	Rossmere	8:30 am	45	End of 18/19 season	November 21, 2019
February 2, 2020	#3	Coronation	8:30 am	36	January 12, 2020	January 23, 2020
April 5, 2020	Final	Selkirk	9:00 am	45	March 15, 2020	March 26, 2020

For All Youth Events (e-mail or call Amanda Devenney)

Master/YBC Senior Doubles Shootout

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Average As Of</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
October 27, 2019	St. James	10:00 am	End of 18/19 season	October 15, 2019

Master/Bantam/Junior

<u>Tournament Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>Average As Of</u>	<u>Entry Cut Off</u>
December 8, 2019	Selkirk	10:00 am 1:00 pm	See MJB Rules	November 15, 2019

Annual Meeting – April 26, 2020 – TBA – Following Tournament



2019 - 2020 Membership and Fee Schedule

ALL FEES DUE WITH SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

MEMBERSHIP FEE – MBA Manitoba	\$50.00
Any One (1) Division Tournament, Teaching or Senior Divisions	\$50.00
Additional Division Fee - each <u>additional</u> division	\$50.00
Prepayment of Final Event Lineage (per division) (Must be paid with application)	\$40.00
(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.

<p>Members electing to play at least one division may deduct \$50.00 from their total fees if they reside 50 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% of (membership fee + division fees + final event(s) lineage) (**Plus \$60.00 cash fundraising option if chosen**) along with one (1) post-dated cheque dated December 1st, 2019 for the remaining 50%. **
 - 3.

**** 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 6 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
<i>Basic Membership</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 and who chooses to play in at least one (1) division.

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 associate and basic member categories) 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

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 at least one additional fundraising event or program each year that may involve selling tickets to your friends and relatives, and 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 member. 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 sport.
- 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 sport.
- 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, an associate membership and a basic 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 and 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.

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 during all events, but this is not mandatory. Shirts bearing other provinces' logos and names are not acceptable. ***Clarification: With the creation of custom bowling shirts becoming more mainstream, we acknowledge that many players are wanting to design their own shirts that can be worn during our provincial events. Because the MBA cresting is part of the shirt, it is mandatory that members submit their design to the Board for approval prior to having the shirt created. Please note that the only 2 acceptable placements for the MBA crest are: on the front (chest area), or on either sleeve. This applies to shirts where the crest is part of the shirt and also to cresting attached to any shirt when worn during our provincial events.***

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 illegal 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 or the Manitoba Five Pin Bowlers' Association.

- 23) During combined tournaments, where a Master is a member of two or more of the divisions competing, that Master's score will count for each division of which he/she is a member.

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 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 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 a six 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.

We will be having a discussion at the first event to determine how we want to handle the optional prize money for the current 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, consisting of 6 games each, 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 or will attain 50 years of age by the start of the National Championships for the current season, regardless of their average.
- 2) Four (4) tournaments of six (6) games each will be conducted each season.

- 3) 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, or to withdraw their entry.

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.

This would mean that, assuming rule b), 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 MEMBERSHIP

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 MEMBERSHIP

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.

BASIC MEMBERSHIP

Starting with the 2018/2019 season, a membership is available to bowlers wanting to maintain their membership in MBAM who, for any number of reasons, are not able/willing to participate in the events as a bowler, by paying the membership fee noted in the Membership and fees schedule. This membership grants the member voting rights at the AGM. ANY FUNDRAISING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

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 12 tournaments in any combination of the teaching, tournament, and senior divisions, the average used for a tournament will be their tournament average over their last 12 tournaments. 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 2019-2020 season, only tournaments bowled during the 2018/2019, 2017/2018, 2016/2017, and 2015/2016 seasons will be used). ***Please note: Games bowled in any of the divisions as a guest do not count toward the 12 tournaments.***
- 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 in Teaching Division, as noted on the Event Schedule, a qualifying average would be your last year’s finishing average with at least 45 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 12 tournaments 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 12 tournaments played and have a qualifying league average will use a composite average for the tournament. The average formula will be: $((12 - \text{\# of tournaments played}) \times \text{highest qualifying league average}) + \text{total tournament pinfall} / \text{total \# of tournament games} + \text{\# games from league component} = \text{tournament average}$.
- 8) Bowlers who have less than 12 tournaments played 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 12 tournaments on file from the 2017/18 and 2018/19 seasons; his last tournament bowled was in April 2019. His average of these 12 tournaments 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 45 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 joined last year and bowled 24 tournament games (3 events) with a pinfall of 4,817. Her highest qualifying league average is 189. Her tournament average will be 192, see rule #7.
 $12 - 3 = 9 \text{ (events)} \quad (9 \times 6) \times 189 = 10,206 \quad 10,206 + 4,817 = 15,023 \quad 15,023 / 78 = 192$
- E) Paula Pocket has bowled 64 tournament games (8 events) 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 208, see rule #8.
 $12 - 8 = 4 \text{ events} \quad (4 \times 6) \times 230 = 5,520 \quad 5,520 + 12,800 = 18,320 \quad 18,320 / 88 = 208$

MASTER/BANTAM/JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

The M.B.A.M. will conduct a Master/Bantam/Junior (MBJ) Tournament annually. Dates for the various steps are as stated in the Schedule of Events.

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 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 M.B.A.M. 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 M.B.A.M. 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 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 Finals, 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 can not exceed 25% of the Lane Beds within that participating centre (ie. 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.(ie. 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 M.B.A.M.

- 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 p.m. 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 M.B.A.M.
- 13) For teams within the City of Winnipeg limits and including Selkirk, if any bowling center does not use their full allotment of teams as defined in Rule 7, their spots will be offered to the remaining Winnipeg and Selkirk centers on a first come/first served basis to a max of 28 teams.
- 14) For out-of-town centers with 6 lanes or less, they will be allowed to advance 2 teams or 25% of their enrolled Bantam and Junior program, whichever is greater. These teams will be allowed to participate in the provincial final via telephone or electronic hookup as per rule 10.

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 prior to and at the national championships. This waiver is to be signed and returned to the contingent manager within two (2) weeks of receiving it.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS – 2018-2019

TEACHING DIVISION

Tournament Winners

Rossmere	Sherri Manek	Ray Cousins
Dakota	Cyndie Barnett	Patrick Walker
Polo Park	Cyndie Barnett	Patrick Walker
St. James	Lana Wachal	Dylan Stevenson
Mosienko	Danni Lysak	Donald Welch
Uptown	Fran Johnson	Louis Lavallee

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Danni Lysak Patrick Walker	Finish: 7th Finish: 2nd (Silver Medal)
Teams	Danni Lysak Cyndie Barnett Kayla Lang Lana Wachal Marlee Clarkson Coach: Chad Hurd Finish: 1st (Gold Medal)	Patrick Walker Geroge Stecki Ray Cousins Wayne Wolanski Ryan Born Coach: Lorne Sproule Finish: 4th

SENIOR DIVISION

Tournament Winners

POA

SCRATCH

Selkirk	Patrick Walker	Glen Howarth
St. James	Jim Anderson	Geoff Born
Mosienko	Dave Duncan	Geoff Born
Uptown	Fran Johnson	Glen Howarth

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Glen Howarth	Finish: 5th (Tie)
Team	Glen Howarth Jim Anderson Louise Stevenson Dave Duncan Jim Llewellyn, Sr.	

Coach: Sandi Anderson

Finish: 2nd (Silver Medal)

TOURNAMENT DIVISION

Tournament Winners

Dakota	TD Holland	Sam Gelardi
Mosienko	Linda Orne	Scott Adamson
St. James	Janna Van Wallegghem	Sam Gelardi
Rossmere	Jessica Meurrens	Geoff Born
Polo Park	Janna Van Wallegghem	Derek Orne
Uptown	Jessica Meurrens	Glen Howarth

REPRESENTING MANITOBA @ NATIONALS

Singles	Janna Van Wallegghem	Finish: 3rd (Bronze Medal)
	Kyle Young	Finish: 5th (Tie)
Teams	Lindas Orne	Sam Gelardi
	Cindy Cousins	Brandon Mansell
	TD Holland	Derek Orne
	Chris Monchak	Dwayne Gelardi
	Jennifer Devenney*	Geoff Born
	Coach: Holly Chaikowski	Coach: Natalie Young
	Finish: 4 th	Finish: 3rd (Bronze Medal)

* Note: Jessica Meurrens qualified for the National Contingent but had to withdraw

MASTER SENIOR TOURNAMENT - October 28, 2018

Lexie Dressler and Carter Schade

MASTER BANTAM JUNIOR TOURNAMENT – December 9, 2018

Scott Lightfoot - Rossmere
Alyssa Lightfoot
Holly Ungerer
Kaden Pearson



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 27th, 2019 at St. James Lanes at 10:00 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 amanda_devenney@manitobamasterbowlers.com or by phone at (204)979-6937. I will also be happy to pick up entries from any centre on or before the entry deadline of October 15th or they can be dropped off at St. James Lanes.

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 2017/18 season. New Masters and YBC bowlers will use their highest league average as of the end of the 2017/18 season. **YBC Bowlers: Please make sure you include your average on your entry form.**

Amanda Devenney, Master/Youth Events Tournament Director

Master/YBC Senior Tournament Entry Form

Sunday, October 27th 2019 – St. James Lanes - 10:00 am

Master Bowler

Masters Average at end of 2018-19 season

YBC Senior Bowler

Highest League Average at end of 2018-19 season

Please submit this entry form along with your \$25.00/bowler fee by **October 15, 2019** to:

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

or they can be dropped off at St. James Lanes in an envelope marked MBJ Attn: Amanda



Master Bowlers Association of Manitoba Inc.

APPLICATION FORM FOR COACHING TEAMS AT NATIONALS

*** APPLICATION DEADLINE – APRIL 1, 2020 ***

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 & submitting application ****

Previous Coaching Experience – Continued....

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