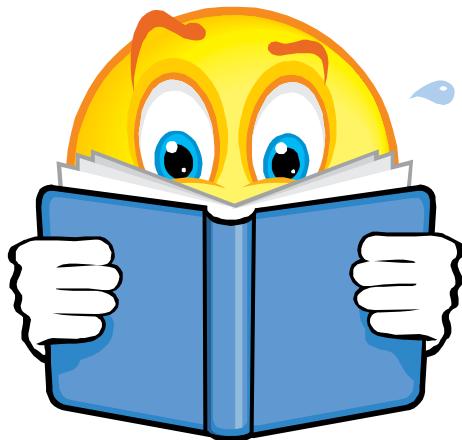


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THE GREEN BOOK

2015-2016

EDITION



***FORMATS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL
TOURNAMENT EVENTS***

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2015-2016 TOURNAMENT DATES

HIGH-LOW DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS/ INTER-PROVINCIAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Average Date	October 18, 2015
Entry Deadline	October 18, 2015
League Rounds	October 19-November 15, 2015
Zone/DC Finals	On or before January 3, 2016
Provincial Championships – Hamilton, Ontario	February 27, 2016 – AFTERNOON
Inter-Provincial National Championships – Hamilton	April 21-24, 2016

EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Average Date	October 11, 2015
Entry Deadline	October 25, 2015
Zone/DC Finals	One Day Roll-off – On or before November 15, 2015 Option for DC Associations – In League Play on or before November 15, 2015
Provincial Championships – Hamilton, Ontario	February 27, 2016 – MORNING

HOLIDAY CLASSIC 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Average Date	October 25, 2015
Entry Deadline	November 8, 2015
League Rounds	November 16-November 29, 2015 (CHOOSE ONE WEEK)
Zone/DC Finals	On or before February 14, 2016
Provincial Championships – Hamilton, Ontario	April 30, 2016

YOUTH CHALLENGE/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

Average Date	November 1, 2015
Entry Deadline	November 8, 2015
Zone Finals	On or before November 29, 2015
Provincial Championships – Oshawa, Ontario	January 9, 2016
National Championships – Winnipeg, Manitoba.....	March 17-19, 2016

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entry Deadline	Set by each Zone Association
Zone Finals	November 22-December 13, 2015 (TWENTY (20) GAMES)
Provincial Championships – Hamilton, Ontario	March 23-26, 2016
National Championships – Regina, Saskatchewan.....	June 1-5, 2016

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entry Deadline	Set by each Zone Association
Zone Finals	November 22-December 13, 2015 (TEN (10) GAMES)
Provincial Championships – Hamilton, Ontario	March 23-26, 2016

PROVINCIAL TRIPLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Average Date	January 10, 2015
Entry Deadline	January 17, 2015
League Rounds	January 25-February 21, 2016
Zone/DC Finals	On or before April 3, 2016
Provincial Championships – Location TBA.....	May 28, 2016 – 2 SHIFTS

ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions) SINGLES AND DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Average Date	January 3, 2016
Entry Deadline	January 3, 2016
Zone/DC Finals	On or before March 13, 2016
Provincial Championships – Oshawa, Ontario	May 11, 2016

ONTARIO BOOSTER CLUB 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Zone/DC Finals	Dates are set by participating Zone/Decentralized Associations On or before April 3, 2016
Provincial Championships – Location TBA.....	May 28, 2016 – AFTERNOON

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Olympics Bowl-A-Thon
Community Bowl-A -Thons and League Play During the 2015-2016 Bowling Season

39th Awards Dinner for Inductees to the
5 Pin Bowling Hall of Fame – Hamilton, Ontario.....November 7, 2015

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Semi-Annual Meeting – Hamilton, OntarioNovember 8, 2015

Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Semi-Annual Meeting – Location TBAJanuary 24-25, 2016

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association 50th Annual General
Meeting and Convention – Orillia, OntarioJune 16-19, 2016

O5PBA Bowling School – Hamilton, OntarioJuly 20-24, 2016

Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Annual General Meeting – Location TBAAugust 26-27, 2016

AVERAGE RULE/AVERAGE BOOK CLARIFICATION

A motion was made and approved by the delegates at our 2010 Convention to implement a rolling average for all tournaments based on the last three (3) years of bowling. Therefore, data from the 2012/13 to the 2014/15 season will be used to calculate the 2015/16 rolling averages. This includes all games from all O5 Provincial Tournaments or any other O5 sanctioned event. Bowlers who have less than 3 years bowled will be calculated on the years bowled in this timeframe.

In addition, the following motion was approved by the delegates at our 2014 Convention:

THAT ALL GAMES BOWLED DURING LEAGUE PLAY INCLUDING PLAY-OFFS MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE ROLLING AVERAGE RETROACTIVE FROM THE 2013-14 SEASON.

PLEASE NOTE: BANKED SCORES SHOULD NOT BE USED TO CALCULATE A BOWLER'S AVERAGE AS NO GAMES SHOULD BE COUNTED MORE THAN ONCE.

Following are specific guidelines for proper averages at each round of our events:

LEAGUE ROUNDS

All bowlers who compete in the League Round must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their average from the league in which they are competing up to and including the specified average date with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

ZONE/DC FINALS

All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including the specified average date (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the current bowling season up to and including the specified average date and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use the highest of the following, as determined by the Provincial Office:

Use their highest league average up to and including the specified average date (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including the specified average date, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to the specified average date.

EXAMPLE:

DATE	GAME 1	GAME 2	GAME 3	3 GAME TOTAL	TOTAL GAMES	TOTAL PINFALL	AVG.
Sept. 3-15	194	137	130	461	3	461	153
Sept. 10-15	175	139	183	497	6	958	159
Sept. 17-15	199	142	236	577	9	1535	170
Sept. 24-15 *	199	142	236	577	9	1535	170
Oct. 1-15	199	200	189	588	12	2123	176
Oct. 8-15	171	111	157	439	15	2562	170
Oct. 15-15	137	187	195	519	18	3081	171
Oct. 22-15	158	202	185	545	21	3626	172
Oct. 29-15	272	190	157	619	24	4245	176
Nov. 5-15	240	246	230	716	27	4961	183
Nov. 12-15	133	208	168	509	30	5470	182
Nov. 19-15	176	142	189	507	33	5977	181
Nov. 26-15	183	197	179	559	36	6536	181
Dec. 3-15	244	252	240	736	39	7272	186
Dec. 10-15	170	161	176	507	42	7779	185

Average Calculation:

Average as of specified average date: **185**

Average over last 21 games (seven weeks): **197** (4153 pinfall divided by 21 games)

197 minus 185 = 12 divided in half = 6 185 + 6 = **191**

Average for Provincial Championships: **191**

PLEASE NOTE: WHEN ESTABLISHING A LEAGUE OR TOURNAMENT AVERAGE, A RIGHT-HANDED BOWLER MUST BOWL RIGHT-HANDED AT ALL TIMES. SIMILARLY, A LEFT-HANDED BOWLER MUST BOWL LEFT-HANDED AT ALL TIMES. NO COMBINATION OF SCORES BOWLED USING THE LEFT AND RIGHT HAND CAN BE USED IN COMPUTING AN AVERAGE.

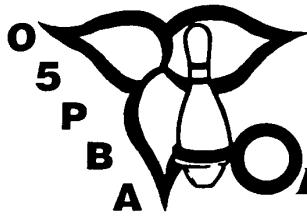
ONCE A BOWLER HAS ESTABLISHED AN AVERAGE USING EITHER THE LEFT HAND OR RIGHT HAND, THEY MAY NOT SWITCH AND USE THE OPPOSITE HAND.

PLEASE NOTE: BANKED SCORES SHOULD NOT BE USED TO CALCULATE A BOWLER'S AVERAGE AS NO GAMES SHOULD BE COUNTED MORE THAN ONCE. (SEE SCORES OF SEPT. 24-15 IN EXAMPLE SHOWN ABOVE)

TOURNAMENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY

1. Due to some misunderstanding as to the requirement should a bowler have to withdraw from advancing to the next round in team events, a policy was introduced for clarification. Previously, it was an unwritten rule that all bowlers who withdrew from an event prior to a Provincial Championship, had to submit a letter in writing to the Provincial Office stating why they were forfeiting their position in the tournament. This has caused some concern as it was not a written policy and was often disputed. Therefore, the following policy is now in effect for all bowlers who withdraw from any event:
 - a) A bowler who qualifies at a League, DC or Zone Round and for some reason does not wish to continue on to the next round may do so without penalty.

In this case, it is the responsibility of the Zone or Decentralized Association to replace the bowler who withdrew with a proper substitute based on the substitution rule for that event.
 - b) A bowler who qualifies for a Provincial Championship and does not wish to continue or cannot continue must state in writing why they are withdrawing from the event and may do so without penalty. A Tournament Withdrawal Form (Page 1-7) must be completed and sent to the office of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
 - c) The O5PBA, upon receipt of the Tournament Withdrawal Form will consult with the Zone or Decentralized Association to determine the substitute bowler.
 - d) Bowlers who refuse to complete the Tournament Withdrawal Form may have their membership with the O5PBA suspended; however, the team shall have the right to another bowler so they can compete.
2. There are no substitutions allowed within seven (7) days of a Provincial Championship except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.



Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

TOURNAMENT WITHDRAWAL FORM

I, _____ MUST WITHDRAW FROM THE
(PRINT NAME)

_____ ON _____
(NAME OF TOURNAMENT) (DATE)

DUE TO _____
(STATE REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL)

DATE: _____

ZONE/DECENTRALIZED ASSOCIATION: _____

NAME: _____
(PLEASE PRINT)

SIGNATURE: _____

CONFIRMED RECEIVED: _____
(LEAGUE SECRETARY OR TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WITHDRAWAL MEANS THAT I FORFEIT ALL PRIZES AND THE RIGHT TO RETURN TO THIS EVENT IN THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON AS A BOWLER OR COACH. FURTHER, I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS ACTION COULD RESULT IN SUSPENSION FROM MEMBERSHIP AND/OR TOURNAMENT PRIVILEGES.

DISQUALIFICATION CLARIFICATION

There have been several unfortunate instances during recent seasons where a Judge of Play or a Tournament Director of a Local Zone or Decentralized Association took it upon themselves to suspend bowlers from advancing in a tournament due to an infraction of one or more of the tournament rules.

IT MUST BE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD:

- a) Judges of Play have authority to rule solely on questions arising out of tournament play; any other issues **MUST** be referred to the Tournament Director.
- b) Authority to suspend any bowler from any event once the bowler's entry fee has been accepted and he/she has qualified to advance from any League Round or Zone/DC Final, rest solely with the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
- c) Authority to suspend any or all of any bowler's rights and privileges of membership as they apply to participation in tournaments, or any other membership services, rest solely with the Provincial Board of Directors of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
- d) Whenever a Local Association Tournament Director encounters a question about a bowler's right to continue under the rules in any event, and no matter how clear the violation may be, the question **MUST** be referred to the Provincial Office, and through the office as necessary to the Provincial Tournament Committee and/or Provincial Board of Directors.

IN THE EVENT A LOCAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR IS UNABLE TO REACH THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY, THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT MUST BE GIVEN TO THE BOWLER! THE BOWLER MUST BE PERMITTED TO COMPETE AND THE SUBSEQUENT RESULTS ARE TO BE HELD "UNOFFICIAL" UNTIL THE PROBLEM OR QUESTION HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE.

In this enlightened age of concern for human rights, we only invite legal action if the authority to disqualify or suspend any bowler is left to Local Associations. Instead, a Local Association Tournament Director can only recommend such action to the Provincial Tournament Committee. If the Provincial Tournament Committee agrees with the recommendation, the bowler still has the right of appeal to the Provincial Board of Directors.

USE OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL POLICY

The Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Rule Book provides the guidelines that have been used for a number of years regarding the use of Drugs or Alcohol at events.

Over the years many bowling centres have introduced concourse service and this is used extensively by bowlers.

The C5PBA has given the O5PBA their interpretation of the term "Under the Influence" in regards to the present rule book and is as follows:

ANY BOWLER WHO BECOMES INTOXICATED TO A POINT WHERE THEY BECOME OBNOXIOUS OR ABUSIVE TOWARDS LEAGUE/TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS, OTHER BOWLERS, BOWLING CENTRE STAFF OR EQUIPMENT.

Should a situation such as the above occur, officials are to use good judgement when trying to alleviate the problem. Be advised that the policy on disqualification contained in the Green Book still applies. However, Proprietors have their rights also and may make a decision as to the outcome of a specific problem bowler within their centre.

The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association reserves the right to prohibit the use of alcohol or illegal drugs at any Provincial Championship for competitors and coaches. The penalty for such an infraction is an automatic disqualification from the event, and any subsequent offence could result in suspension.

INELIGIBLE BOWLER POLICY

On occasion, bowlers have knowingly or unknowingly competed in our tournament events despite being ineligible due to age, suspension, or other reasons. While this is a very uncommon occurrence, we ask that Tournament Directors review their suspension lists, and advise their league executives of any suspended bowlers and the age requirements for entry into our tournaments.

While situations involving ineligible bowlers are very rare, it has become apparent that a policy needs to be in place to cover such cases. By formulating a policy in the Green Book, we make dealing with such incidents consistent, fair, and far less controversial.

IF THE PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE DEEMS THAT A BOWLER IS INELIGIBLE AFTER HAVING COMPETED IN ANY TEAM EVENT, THE BOWLER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED, AND THE TEAM WILL REVERT TO THE MISSING BOWLER RULE FOR THAT PARTICULAR TOURNAMENT. THE MISSING BOWLER RULE WILL ASSIGN A SCORE FOR THE INELIGIBLE BOWLER AND RESULTS OF THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE RECALCULATED TO DETERMINE A WINNER. THIS PROCEDURE WILL ONLY TAKE PLACE IF THE TEAM ON WHICH THE BOWLER COMPETED WON THE EVENT, OR QUALIFIED TO ADVANCE TO THE NEXT ROUND.

Only the Provincial Tournament Committee can rule if a bowler is ineligible. If any Local Association Tournament Director feels such a case exists, they must contact the Tournament Committee through the Provincial Office. The Tournament Committee will review the situation and make a ruling. Please refer to the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Rule Book for further information.

DRESS CODE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Bowlers may have up to twenty-four (24) square inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
2. All bowlers and coaches must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association they represent.
3. Bowlers and coaches must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom.** (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons.
4. Any bowler or coach not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
5. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER and COACH not conforming to the dress code.**

Please Note: A motion was passed at our 2015 AGM to amend the new C5PBA Dress Code for the Open, Senior Open and Youth Challenge to include different length style bottoms. Please refer to the specific tournament(s) for further clarification.

USE OF PERSONAL BOWLING BALLS

1. Personal bowling balls may be used in facilities where they are permitted by the Proprietor.
2. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.**
3. Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament.
4. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The Proprietor shall not be held responsible or liable for any damage to personal bowling balls.
5. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols.
6. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION COACHING POLICY

1. The delivery of the coaching program falls under the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Please contact the O5PBA for the delivery of all courses.

In addition, the O5PBA has a coaching coordinator in each of our Zones and their function is to:

- Update the names of all new coaches in their Zone as well as any address changes.
- Report to the O5PBA Coaching Coordinator all deceased members. Just a clarification only the CAC can remove a non-active name from the list. **Note: Any previous Level 1 certified coaches who did not take the MED update have been moved to an inactive file.**
- **Any Level 2 certified coaches have until December 31, 2015 to take the MED update or they will be moved to an inactive file.**
- Be the local contact for all Community Coach or Competitive Coach courses in your area.
- Through contact with local coaches you will obtain the names of interested coaches for all team tournaments.

2. **COACHING REQUIREMENTS:**

All coaches must be 19 years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** coaches are required for all teams bowling in the Holiday Classic and the Ontario Open 5 Pin Seniors Championships. Coaches selected for these teams must be fully certified on or before **NOVEMBER 30 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**. Technical aspect of coaching certification must be in the sport of 5 pin bowling.

Please Note: The following motion was passed by the delegates at the O5PBA Annual Convention in June 2013:

COACHES PUT ON THE LIST TO BE CHOSEN AS A COACH FOR THE CURRENT SEASON, MUST HAVE PURCHASED A MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR THE ASSOCIATION THEY ARE REPRESENTING BY DECEMBER 31 OF THAT YEAR.

To be trained in the Competitive Coach Module, a person must be trained in the Community Coach context.

This will apply in Ontario providing the rules in the Green Book are followed. The date for certification is **NOVEMBER 30, 2015** and must be a member in good standing of the O5PBA.

3. COACHING SELECTION:

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The premier event in 5 Pin Bowling deserves the best coaches. All coaches must have **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED (C5 Sports Specifics and Code of Conduct)** or be **COMPETITIVE COACH CERTIFIED** and members in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. While the same certification date of **NOVEMBER 30 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON** still applies for qualification, selection is not restricted to bowlers who bowled in your Zone roll-off.

Bowlers/coaches who compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league in a Zone other than their principal residence and have played the year prior in that other Zone, will be allowed to compete in the Open in that other Zone by filing a "**DECLARATION OF INTENT**" to the Zone Tournament Director by **OCTOBER 31, 2015**. A copy of the current year (2015-16) average sheet confirming their current participation in said league or in another league within that same association must accompany the "**DECLARATION OF INTENT**".

Please Note: In the prior season a bowler/coach must have bowled a minimum of fifty (50) games in a sanctioned or affiliated league of the zone they wish to declare in, and be listed on the o5pba.ca website average book for that league to be eligible to declare. Once a Declaration of Intent is filed the bowler/coach cannot bowl/coach in the Zone of their principal residence for that year. If a declaration form is not filed by that date, the bowler/coach must compete in the Zone of their principal residence.

Please Note: The following motion was passed by the delegates at the O5PBA Annual Convention in June 2014:

REMOVE THE 50-GAME CRITERIA FOR A COACH WHO IS NOT ACTIVELY BOWLING AT ALL (NOT AN O5 MEMBER FROM ANY LEAGUE) SO THEY CAN COACH IN A NON-RESIDENT ZONE.

The coach is selected by majority vote of the team members from a list of qualified coaches provided by the Association. In addition, while most coaches are selected immediately following the qualifying rounds, it is preferable to wait several days before the selection is made, to allow for assessment of all coaching candidates. If a team cannot decide on a coach, the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association will appoint one.

YOUTH CHALLENGE

This event, although conducted by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, reaches youth bowlers of Ontario. For this tournament to succeed, the O5PBA must work in close co-operation with the Youth Bowling Program Directors to solicit entries. As with the Open, all Youth Challenge coaches must have **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED (C5 Sports Specifics and Code of Conduct)** or be **COMPETITIVE COACH CERTIFIED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING SEASON**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. **All coaches must provide a Vulnerable Sector Check (police check at their own cost) in order to coach at the Youth Challenge National Championships.** Each Zone will identify qualified coaches on a master list. The selection of coaches will be done in accordance with the coaching policy of their Zone Association.

HOLIDAY CLASSIC

This event is very popular on the O5PBA calendar of events. Although coaches are not required at the Zone/DC Final, they are a **MUST** for the Provincial Championships. If a team is representing a Decentralized Association, the team shall be assigned a coach from that Association. However, if a Decentralized Association cannot make the selection or the team is from a non-decentralized centre, the Zone Association shall make the selection. At the present time, the selection process for coaches occurs between the Zone/DC Finals and the Provincial Championships.

PROVINCIAL TRIPLES

NEW THIS YEAR: The following motion was passed by the delegates at the O5PBA Annual Convention in June 2015:

THAT ALL ZONES/DC'S HAVE THE OPTION OF SELECTING A COACH FOR THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (COMMUNITY COACH OR HIGHER).

4. COACHES' RESPONSIBILITIES:

The coach's job covers all aspects of the event.

- As an **organizer** and **planner**, the coach is responsible to arrange all travel, accommodations, and any finances.
- As a **teacher**, the team should be technically prepared to perform their personal best during the event.
- As a **motivator**, the coach sets goals that are attainable throughout the event and achieved by the final results.

COACHES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COACHING YOUTH BOWLERS

We appreciate the time and energy you will spend on the youth bowlers who have qualified for the Youth Challenge/Winter Games. The following guidelines are to be used to ensure both the success of this tournament and the welfare of our youth bowlers.

1. Your responsibility first and foremost lies with the health and welfare of the young competitors under your jurisdiction. The youth bowlers will look up to you for guidance and leadership. Please set a good example.
2. You must accompany the youth bowlers to all functions organized for these Championships.
3. You as a coach must abide by all O5PBA rules and conduct yourself in a manner befitting a YBC coach.
4. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages or non-prescription drugs or stimulants will not be allowed from the time you leave for the tournament until the time you arrive home. **Any coach found breaking these rules shall be removed from the tournament and could have their O5PBA membership suspended.**

COACHES' INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES

To ensure that the bowler and coach fully understand what is expected of them, and specifically the coach, the following guidelines are to be used to ensure success:

1. Ensures that accommodations for all team members are booked.
2. Provide each team member with their lane pass (if applicable).
3. Ensures team knows at what time and on what lane they bowl.
4. Ensures that all bowlers are at the lanes 20 minutes prior to bowling. Coaches must contact the Chief Judge of Play or Tournament Official to register their bowlers prior to bowling.
5. Ensures their bowlers are on hand for the warm-up prior to the event.
6. Ensures that the rules pertaining to the use of alcohol at Provincial events are followed and are aware of the penalties that may be assessed for not doing so.
7. Ensures all bowlers are dressed properly, as dictated by the dress code rule.
8. Ensures that no participant in the Youth Challenge/Ontario Winter Games should ever be seen anywhere, consuming alcoholic beverages or using illegal drugs.
9. Coaches are responsible for watching the score for any errors. After a frame has been completed and the next frame has been bowled, the score cannot be changed unless it is an obvious error in addition. The lane sheet or automatic scoring (if applicable) is the official score, and it is the coach's responsibility to check it for accuracy. Once the lane sheet has left the scorestand, there can be no changes made to it. A team lane sheet shall be provided, and it is the coach's responsibility to complete and sign it after each game, thereby approving the score. Failure to complete and sign this form properly may result in a **one point penalty** being assessed against the team.
10. The decision regarding pinfall is up to the two coaches to determine. Only if the two coaches cannot come to an agreement will the Judge of Play be called for a ruling. If automatic scoring is in use, the Judge of Play's ruling will be final.
11. Ensures that lane courtesy is observed at all times, but is not overdone.
12. Substitutions, if applicable, shall be reported to the opposing coach as well as the scorekeeper, who shall stop the bowling on both lanes as the substitution is made.
13. In all team events, only bowlers and coaches are permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. **Coaches must wear bowling shoes in the bowlers' enclosure.** Assistant coaches shall stand behind the enclosure.
14. Ensures that only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up is allowed on the approach at any given time. Coaches and all other team members must remain off the approach, to the side or behind the scorestand. If a scorekeeper is used, the coach must remain off the approach, ensuring there is no interference with their line of vision.
15. Ensures that bowlers inform the Judge of Play, if they are leaving the bowlers' enclosure.

16. Ensures the team line-up is submitted to the opposing coach for each game as quickly as possible.
17. Ensures that bowlers are aware that only the coaches will be allowed to discuss, dispute, or protest any point pertaining to the Championships with the Judge of Play.
18. Coaches may not approach a member of the opposing team with a complaint. If coaches have a dispute of any kind, they must stop the bowling on both lanes and summon the Judge of Play.
19. Coaches are not allowed to compete in any event.
20. Ensures that all their bowlers are aware of the rules of the event, and that any violations may result in penalties being assessed the team or suspension from the Championships.
21. Ensures that their bowlers understand that the use of chants, songs, cheers, etc. which contain **profanity, slanderous remarks or words**, which are deemed detrimental to the image of 5 pin bowling, will not be allowed or tolerated. Any infraction of this rule may result in the forfeiture of the game, and any repeated violation shall lead to suspension from the competition.
22. The O5PBA reserves the right to involve the media in any event. In regards to television, coaches should be aware that cameras may be in place during play. Every effort will be made to ensure that lights are not directly aimed at the bowlers. Coaches must be aware that play may be interrupted at any time.
23. In any case of rule violation where no penalty is provided in the preceding rules, appropriate penalties may be imposed by the Board of Directors of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

ANY COACH THAT DOES NOT ABIDE BY THE ABOVE GUIDELINES, MAY LOSE THEIR COACHING PRIVILEGES WITH THE ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION.

ASSISTANT COACH POLICY

The position is designed with the intention of attracting more people to Coaching Certification and training them to accept future responsibility in coaching a team. At the same time, the individuals will become more familiar to the bowlers. It should be noted that this is a voluntary program in which each Zone shall decide the limitations it may wish to impose. However, certain Provincial limits shall supersede those of the Zone:

1. The cost of the Assistant Coach as a team member will not be borne by the O5PBA.
2. At the Provincial level there will be no recognition of the Assistant Coach. He/she will not be allowed in the bowlers' enclosure or be eligible for team awards.
3. At Provincial events, the cost of accommodation and banquets for the Assistant Coach is an additional cost to the Zone, the team, or the individual, as Zone policy shall dictate.
4. The Assistant Coach must meet the coaching criteria of the event.
5. The Assistant Coach will be the emergency replacement if the coach is unable to attend the Provincial Championships.

6. Only the registered Coach will be recognized by Tournament Officials.

Somehow, we must pass along the experience of the veteran coaches to new coaches. This will require a change in our current philosophy about coaching, and will require us to constantly look for new opportunities to promote this sharing of experiences.

The Assistant Coach would hold a background position, waiting in the stands, watching, listening and learning. This person would not be allowed to interfere in the play in any way. This could be a very difficult role. The coach would still be the boss, and still be the person in charge of the team. The concept is for this person to gain the experience of the coach by observation and by questioning the coach between games or at the end of the day.

Countermanding orders, questioning moves openly to players or in any way undermining the coach's authority would severely jeopardize the coach's position and the team's chance for success.

It would also have to be made very clear to players that they are to deal directly with the Coach not the Assistant.

TRAVEL EQUALIZATION

Zone/DC Associations will be reimbursed for part of the cost of travel to the High-Low Doubles, Executives Championships, Holiday Classic, and Provincial Triples for their participants.

The following are not included in travel equalization: Booster Club, Open Championships, Senior Open Championships, Youth Challenge and Senior Citizens. This will be shown on the Zone/DC invoice for the specific event.

Zones/DC Associations will at their discretion allocate the Travel Equalization funds to each of its competitors.

Note: The chart below is based on two (2) participants travelling together.

Zone	Centre of Zone	Western Ontario	Middlesex Elgin	Niagara	Hamilton	Central Ontario	York Simcoe	Huronia	Ontario Durham	Bay of Quinte	Kawartha Lakes	Metro Toronto	Grand River	Ottawa Valley	X	Z
A	Western Ontario	Chatham		145	275	215	260	325	390	370	490	445	295	200	730	165
B	Middlesex Elgin	Exeter	145		225	145	165	200	215	270	390	315	200	65	630	110
D	Niagara	Fenwick	275	225		65	110	165	230	205	325	280	120	175	565	110
E	Hamilton	Ancaster	215	145	65		70	125	195	165	285	240	80	105	525	70
F	Central Ontario	Georgetown	260	165	110	70		80	115	125	245	200	55	110	485	130
G	York Simcoe	Newmarket	325	200	165	125	80		90	95	185	120	55	140	470	190
H	Huronia	Wasaga Beach	390	215	230	195	115	90		200	255	145	135	165	465	225
J	Ontario Durham	Orono	370	270	205	165	125	95	200		120	75	90	225	315	240
K	Bay of Quinte	Madoc	490	390	325	285	245	185	255	120		120	210	345	195	360
L	Kawartha Lakes	Bobcaygeon	445	315	280	240	200	120	145	75	120		165	295	315	315
P	Metro Toronto	Toronto	295	200	120	80	55	55	135	90	210	165		155	450	145
S	Grand River	Milverton	200	65	175	105	110	140	165	225	345	295	155		590	85
X	Ottawa Valley	Ottawa	730	630	565	525	485	470	465	315	195	315	450	590		600
Z	Tri County	Norwich	165	110	110	70	130	190	225	240	360	315	145	85	600	

0	-	100	km	=	\$0.00	No Travel Allowance
101	-	399	km	=	\$0.10	per km each way
400	-	1000	km	=	\$0.10	per km plus \$20.00 food allowance

based on 2 participants travelling together.

HIGH-LOW DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS/ INTER-PROVINCIAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

The High-Low Doubles 5 Pin Championships consists of four (4) steps:

- LEAGUE ROUND
- ZONE/DC FINALS
- PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- INTER-PROVINCIAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **19 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entry fee shall be \$9.00 per bowler (HST included). **All bowlers/coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation Fee (to be determined).**
3. Entry deadline shall be **OCTOBER 18, 2015**.
4. Each league, by using bowlers' averages, will select their doubles teams as follows:
 - a) High average bowler in the league paired with the lowest average bowler.
 - b) Second highest average bowler in the league paired with the second lowest average bowler, and so on until all of the bowlers have been paired.

EXAMPLE:

37 BOWLERS IN A LEAGUE

Number bowlers from #1 to #37 according to their averages with the highest bowler being #1.

The #1 bowler (highest average) is paired with the #37 bowler (lowest average).

The #2 bowler is paired with the #36 bowler, and so on, which will leave the #19 bowler without a partner. This bowler will be paired with the #18 bowler thus giving bowler #18 two (2) partners.

5. **QUALIFYING ROUND POLICY:**

- a) Bowlers who are members in two (2) or more leagues may enter and compete in each League Round. Bowlers who qualify to advance from more than one (1) league may bowl on more than one (1) doubles team at the Zone/DC finals, only if scheduling permits.

- b) The phrase "if scheduling permits", grants permission for a bowler to compete in more than one Zone/DC final, so long as each of those finals is a separate and distinct competition, occurring on different days, or at substantially different times.
 - c) Bowlers who qualify to bowl on more than one (1) team at the Zone/DC finals, but scheduling does not permit them to bowl on both teams, must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the league qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.
 - d) No bowler will be permitted to compete on more than one (1) team at the Provincial Championships. Bowlers qualifying on more than one (1) team for the Provincial Championships must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the Zone/DC qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.
6. This event is a doubles pins-over-average (**No Handicap**) tournament.
 7. A league must have a minimum of eight (8) paid entries in order to participate.
 8. Replacements shall be allowed in all rounds except the League Round.
 9. Any bowler who, for any reason, vacates their position on a team for any level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event on that team or any other team. Such withdrawal may result in suspension of tournament/membership privileges of that individual.
 10. A replacement **TEAM** must be the next eligible team in order of finish from the preceding round.
 11.
 - a) A replacement **BOWLER** must be the next eligible bowler in order of finish from the preceding round , provided that the replacement bowler is from the same league and also of equal average rating as the bowler being replaced.
 - b) Equal average rating means the high average bowler on the team may only be replaced by the high average bowler from another team. This rule also applies to the low average bowler.
 - c) If the next eligible bowler from the preceding round is not from the same league as the bowler being replaced, then revert back to each preceding round until the criteria is met.
 12. If a bowler misses a game or games they shall be allowed 95% of their average for any games missed for all rounds except the Provincial Championships.
 13. Scores and averages of winners in all rounds will be authenticated and checked thoroughly. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, shall result in an automatic disqualification.
 14. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling

balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.

15. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition except in the League Round, where league rules shall apply.
16. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
17. No mechanical noisemakers of any kind will be allowed in any round of the event.

LEAGUE ROUND

1. Doubles teams shall bowl the number of games normally bowled by that league for four (4) consecutive weeks during regular league play between **OCTOBER 19, 2015** and **NOVEMBER 15, 2015**.
2. Leagues will advance one (1) team of two (2) bowlers each to the Zone/DC finals according to the following formula:

EXAMPLE:

8 to 10 Entries	1 Team Advances
11 to 16 Entries	2 Teams Advance
17 to 22 Entries	3 Teams Advance
23 to 28 Entries	4 Teams Advance
29 to 34 Entries	5 Teams Advance
35 to 40 Entries	6 Teams Advance and so on

3. All bowlers, who compete in the League Round, must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their average from the league in which they are competing up to and including **OCTOBER 18, 2015**, with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

4. Bowlers qualifying for the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games from the beginning of the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016** in order to compete in the Provincial Championships.
5. Spare bowlers are ineligible unless they can compete for the four (4) week League Round and are members in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
6. The League Round is a four (4) week total pins-over-average event. The doubles team beating their average by the most pins over or the least pins under, if all doubles teams are below their average after four (4) weeks, shall be declared the "League Champions".

All other qualifying positions will be decided by pins-over-average for the four (4) week period.

7. In the event of a tie (two (2) or more teams are the same number of pins over or under their average) after the final 4th week, the team(s) beating their average by the most pins the final 4th week shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, the team(s) beating their average by the most pins the preceding 3rd week shall receive the higher placing.
8. The team that finishes first (1st) in the league round will receive Champion Lapel Pins.
9. If the league rules permit bowl-offs for league play, they are permissible for this round only of the tournament.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. All League Round qualifiers (doubles teams) in a Zone/DC Final shall bowl three (3) games on or before **JANUARY 3, 2016** in centres designated by the Local Association.
2. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **NOVEMBER 15, 2015** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

3. The team beating their average by the most pins shall be declared the Zone/DC Champions and shall advance to the Provincial Championships.
4. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:
 - a) Team with the most pins-over-average in the last game
 - b) Retrogression method
 - c) A one (1) game roll-off

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

5. In the event of a tie for any other positions, the team with the most pins over or the least pins under if all teams are below their team average in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
6. If a bowler misses a game or games they shall be allowed 95% of their average. (See General Rule #13)

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **FEBRUARY 27, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including JANUARY 3, 2016 and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:

Use their highest league average up to and including JANUARY 3, 2016 (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including JANUARY 3, 2016, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to JANUARY 3, 2016.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including JANUARY 3, 2016.

3. Only doubles teams advancing from the Zone/DC Finals shall be eligible to compete in the Provincial Championships.
4. All teams competing in the Provincial Championships shall compete against all other teams.
5. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The team that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total team pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champions.
6. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place overall, and for the purpose of declaring a Provincial Champion, a one (1) game roll-off shall be required to determine the winners.
7. In the event of a tie for second (2nd), third (3rd) or fourth (4th), a one-game roll-off shall be required to determine the final placing.
8. In addition, two (2) teams will be paired together to form a team that will represent Ontario at the Inter-Provincial National Championships.
9. In the event of a tie for any other positions, the team beating their average by the most pins in the last game bowled shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.

10. Any late bowler shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
11. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field if partners are absent from the Provincial Championships, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final. The team member present will be paired with a bowler of equal average rating. "Equal average rating" means the high average bowler on the team may only be replaced by the high average bowler from another team. This rule also applies to the low average bowler.
12. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
13. All bowlers must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association the bowler represents. Bowlers must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom.** (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER not conforming to the dress code.**
14. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
15. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
16. All bowlers must initial their lanesheet before it leaves the scorestand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.
17. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules are in effect.
18. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during the delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
19. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
20. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
21. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
22. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.

23. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.

24. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**

a) A Tournament game(s) or frame(s) within a game, which is irretrievably lost in the scoring process, is null and void. The game(s) or frame(s) must be re-bowled unless one of the following conditions is met:

- i) Scores of any players that have been lost can be documented.
- ii) The team captains/coaches can completely agree on one or more scores lost.
- iii) The Tournament Committee rules that the game(s) or frame(s) are not to be re-bowled.

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

25. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

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

EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

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

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

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entrants must be duly elected to a League Executive position to be eligible for this tournament (**i.e. President, Vice-President, Secretary, Statistician, Tournament Director and Treasurer**) OR must hold an Executive position on a Zone or Decentralized Association. All Executives must be registered in that position with the Provincial Office to be eligible for this tournament.
3. Both the League Executive Registration Form and the Zone/DC Association Executive listings must be completed and received by the Provincial Office no later than **OCTOBER 25, 2015** in order to be eligible to participate.
4. Each Zone and Decentralized Association will determine the entry fee up to a maximum of \$30.00 per entry. **All bowlers/coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation fee (to be determined)**.
5. Entry deadline shall be **OCTOBER 25, 2015**.
6. Format in all rounds will be based on "pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
7. All League Executives shall compete together with the top three (3) bowlers advancing to the Provincial Championships.
8. Entries will only be accepted from Zone and Decentralized Associations that have already submitted their three (3) post-dated cheques, payable to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, to cover the 2015-2016 bowling season membership fees.
9. If a copy of the Zone's Average Book (***electronic copy ONLY***) has not been received in the Provincial Office by **JUNE 30, 2015, no bowlers from that Zone or Decentralized Association will be permitted to compete in this event**.
10. Bowlers who hold a League Executive position in two (2) or more leagues in the same centre shall only be permitted to bowl once in the Zone/DC finals.
11. Bowlers who hold a League Executive position in two (2) or more centres may enter in each centre and compete in the Zone/DC Finals in each, provided the scheduling of same permits; but shall only be permitted to bowl once in the Provincial Championships.

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

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. The Zone/DC Finals shall consist of three (3) games and must be completed on or before **NOVEMBER 15, 2015**. Decentralized Associations have the option of conducting this tournament during regular league play or as a one day roll-off. **Please Note: Zone Associations MUST conduct this tournament as a one day roll-off.**
2. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **OCTOBER 11, 2015** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.
3. Substitutions are not allowed in the Zone/DC finals. If an Executive position cannot be filled, then that position is left vacant. Executive positions are not inter-changeable for this event.
4. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:
 - a) Individual with the most pins-over-average in the last game
 - b) Retrogression method
 - c) A one (1) game roll-off

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

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **FEBRUARY 27, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016** and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in **all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues** in Ontario. **The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.**

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use **the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:**

Use their highest league average up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **JANUARY 3, 2016**.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016**.

3. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
4. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The bowler that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champion.
5. In the event of a tie (two (2) or more bowlers are the same number of pins over or under their average), a one (1) game roll-off shall be required to determine the winner.
6. In the event of a tie for any other positions the bowler beating their average by the most pins in the last game shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, the tie shall be broken by reverting back to the scores of the preceding game.
7. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.

8. If a qualifier is unable to compete, the position shall be filled by the next eligible bowler from the Zone/DC Finals, provided the substitution is approved by the Tournament Committee. **(See Rule #7 above)**
9. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
10. Any late bowler shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
11. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
12. All bowlers must initial their lanesheet before it leaves the score stand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.
13. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules are in effect.
14. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during the delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
15. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
16. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
17. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
18. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
19. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
20. Scores and averages of winners will be authenticated and checked thoroughly. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, shall result in automatic disqualification.
21. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
22. All bowlers must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association the bowler represents. Bowlers must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be**

levied against each **BOWLER** not conforming to the dress code.

23. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**

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

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

24. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

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

HOLIDAY CLASSIC 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

The Holiday Classic 5 Pin Championships consists of three (3) steps:

- LEAGUE ROUND
- ZONE/DC FINALS
- PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entry deadline shall be **NOVEMBER 8, 2015**.
3. Entry fee shall be \$9.00 per bowler (HST included). **All bowlers/coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation Fee (to be determined)**.
4. Any bowler having participated in week one of the League Round that wishes to re-enter the competition during the second week will be permitted to do so, provided they pay an additional entry fee of \$9.00 (HST included).
5. Format in all rounds will be based on "pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
6. A league must have a minimum of ten (10) paid entries in order to participate.
7. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition except in the League Round, where league rules shall apply.
8. **QUALIFYING ROUND POLICY:**
 - a) Bowlers who are members in two (2) or more leagues may enter and compete in each League Round. Bowlers, who qualify to advance from more than one (1) league, may bowl on more than one (1) team at the Zone/DC Finals, only if scheduling permits.
 - b) The phrase "if scheduling permits", grants permission for a bowler to compete in more than one Zone/DC final so long as each of those rounds is a separate and distinct competition, occurring on different days, or at substantially different times.
 - c) Bowlers who qualify to bowl on more than one (1) team at the Zone/DC Finals, but scheduling does not permit them to bowl on both teams, must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the league qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.

- d) No bowler will be permitted to compete on more than one (1) team at the Provincial Championships. Bowlers qualifying on more than one (1) team for the Provincial Championships must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the Zone/DC qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.
9. Any bowler who, for any reason, vacates their position on a team for the next level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event on that team or any other team. Such withdrawal may result in suspension of tournament/membership privileges of that individual.
10. a) A substitute bowler for the Zone/DC finals must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced and must be the runner-up bowler from the League Round that did not qualify to advance. League Executives shall go down the list of participants in order of finish until a substitute is found.
- b) After the Zone/DC finals, a substitute bowler must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced, and must come from the highest placing team at the Zone/DC finals if two (2) or more teams competed from that league. If only one (1) team competed from that league, the substitute bowler must be the runner-up bowler from the League Round that did not qualify to advance to the Zone/DC finals.
- c) Any bowler who, for any reason, declines to be a substitute in any round is ineligible to be a substitute at any subsequent round.
11. Scores and averages of winners in all rounds will be authenticated and checked thoroughly. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, shall result in an automatic disqualification.
12. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy.
13. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
14. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.

LEAGUE ROUND

1. All entrants shall bowl a one (1) week league round during regular league play, during the weeks of **NOVEMBER 16, 2015** to **NOVEMBER 29, 2015**. Bowlers wishing to better their scores from week one will be permitted to re-enter the competition by paying an additional entry fee of \$9.00 (HST included) and bowl during regular league play during this timeframe.

2. The top five (5) qualifiers in the League Round shall form the first team and the next five (5) qualifiers in the League Round shall form the second team, and so on.
3. All bowlers who compete in the League Round must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their average from the league in which they are competing up to and including **OCTOBER 25, 2015**, with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

4. Bowlers qualifying for the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games from the beginning of the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **FEBRUARY 14, 2016**, in order to compete in the Provincial Championships.
5. Leagues will advance one (1) team of five (5) bowlers each to the Zone/DC finals according to the following formula:

EXAMPLE:

10 to 15 Entries	1 Team Advances
16 to 22 Entries	2 Teams Advance
23 to 29 Entries	3 Teams Advance
30 to 36 Entries	4 Teams Advance
37 to 43 Entries	5 Teams Advance
44 to 50 Entries	6 Teams Advance and so on

Please Note:

Leagues with less than the minimum of ten (10) paid entries, but with five (5) or more entries may submit the entry fee covering ten (10) entries (10 x \$9.00) in order to advance a team to the Zone/DC finals.

Leagues may also submit the entry fees covering 16, 23, 30, 37, 44 entries and so on in order to advance additional teams to the Zone/DC finals as above.

6. In the event of a tie or ties in total pins over or under their average for purposes of determining qualifiers for the Zone/DC finals, the bowler beating their average by the most pins over, or the least pins under if all bowlers are below their average in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores from the preceding game will be used to break the tie.
7. Teams may select any individual to coach their team at the Zone/DC finals. However, after the Zone/DC finals, all coaches must be **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
8. If league rules permit bowl-offs for league play, they are permissible for this round only of the tournament.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. All League Round qualifiers in a Zone/DC Final shall bowl three (3) games on or before **FEBRUARY 14, 2016** in centres designated by the Local Association.
2. Each team shall consist of five (5) bowlers.
3. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:
 - a) Team with the most pins-over-average in the last game
 - b) Retrogression method
 - c) A one (1) game roll-off

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

4. In the event of a tie for any other positions, the team with the most pins over or the least pins under if all teams are below their team average in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
5. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **NOVEMBER 29, 2015** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

6. The team beating their total team average by the most pins shall be declared the Zone Champions and shall advance to the Provincial Championships.
7. If a bowler misses a game or games they shall be allowed 95% of their average for any games missed. Any absent bowler will be replaced for the Provincial Championships if their team advances.
8. All teams advancing to the Provincial Championships, must have a coach that is **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. **(See Coaching Policy Page 1-11)**

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **APRIL 30, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **FEBRUARY 14, 2016** and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:

Use their highest league average up to and including **FEBRUARY 14, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **FEBRUARY 14, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **FEBRUARY 14, 2016**.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **FEBRUARY 14, 2016**.

3. All teams shall be comprised of all advancing teams from the Zone/DC Finals.
4. If a bowler is unable to participate in the Provincial Championships, the team roster must be filled by the next eligible bowler from the same league as the bowler withdrawing. (**See General Rule #10**)
5. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.
6. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
7. Teams shall bowl with five (5) and will count five (5).
8. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The team that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total team pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champions.
9. If a bowler misses any game or games, they shall receive 95% of their average.
10. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. All bowlers shall be included in the line-up, however, any late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.

11. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place, a one (1) game roll-off will be required to determine the winner. In the event of a tie or ties for any other positions, the team beating their average by the most pins in the last game shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
12. The order of bowling may be changed for each game in an unrestricted line-up.
13. At the completion of each game, teams shall remain at their respective lanes. When instructed to do so, they shall move to their next lanes as per the lane draw. The lead-off bowler shall await the starting signal.
14. Lead-off bowlers shall not start the next frame in any game until their anchor bowler has finished the prior frame. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be assessed said bowler for violating this rule and any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
15. Only bowlers and coaches competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Assistant coaches should be positioned behind the enclosure. Any person violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.
16. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers and the coach must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
17. Only non-playing coaches shall be allowed to coach. The coach is the only person allowed to discuss, dispute or protest any point pertaining to the Provincial Championships with the Judge of Play. Coaches are advised to make their bowlers fully aware of this ruling to avoid unnecessary delays.
18. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
19. All bowlers and coaches must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association they represent. Bowlers and coaches must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom. (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. A commercially made "Coach" pin must be worn on the front or sleeve and be visible at all times, unless the word "Coach" is embroidered on the shirt sleeve or chest. The first offence is a uniform violation. Subsequent violations during the same event, is removal from the tournament. Any bowler or coach not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER and COACH not conforming to the dress code.
20. Team lanesheets are to be signed by the coach after each game. Lanesheets filled out improperly or not signed may result in a fifteen (15) pin penalty being assessed to the team.
21. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.

22. All games shall start when the Judge of Play gives the starting signal.
23. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
24. Flagrant violation of any rules may result in penalties being assessed by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
25. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
26. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during the delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
27. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
28. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
29. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.

30. IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES

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

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

31. INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES

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

YOUTH CHALLENGE/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES**FORMAT**

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

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

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers 13 years of age but not yet 19 years of age as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, who have achieved one of the following:
 - a) Attending a recognized school of learning
 - b) A member of the Youth Bowling Council
 - c) A member of the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
2. Entry deadline shall be **NOVEMBER 8, 2015**.
3. Entry fee for the Youth Challenge will be determined by each Zone Association.
4. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
5. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time**. Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ " to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
6. There shall be no smoking while the tournament is in progress (actual bowling) at any level of this competition. Specifically, there will be no smoking on the lanes, in the bowlers' enclosure, or in the concourse, by competitors or spectators.
7. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
8. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition.
9. No food or beverages shall be allowed in the bowlers' enclosure.

10. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
11. All coaches and assistant coaches must have **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED** or **CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE COACH**. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
12. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up man or lady from the Zone Finals.
13. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy and Coaches' Instructions. (**See Coaching Policy Page 1-11**)
14. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.
15. The following rule will apply to any bowler who is injured during competition:
 - a) When a player is unable to complete a game because of injury and a qualified substitute is not available to bowl, the team of which the bowler is a member shall count his/her actual score for the frames completed in the game total, plus one tenth of his/her absentee score (95% of average) for each of the remaining frames. Such injury must subsequently be verified by a note from a qualified medical practitioner within forty-eight (48) hours.
 - b) When a player does not complete a game of his/her own volition (not medical), and a qualified substitute is not available to bowl, the team of which the bowler is a member shall count zero (0) for each of the frames that the bowler missed.
 - c) In both cases cited above, the team shall be allowed a score of 95% of the missing bowler's average for subsequent game(s).

EXAMPLE:

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

Frame 1 – CS rolls a strike

Frame 2 – CS rolls a strike

Frame 3 – CS rolls a strike

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

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

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

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

ZONE FINALS

1. The Zone Finals shall be bowled on or before **NOVEMBER 29, 2015** in a centre designated by the Local Zone Association.
2.
 - a) All bowlers must bowl in the Zone where they reside if they are not members of the YBC.
 - b) Members of the YBC must bowl in the Zone in which they bowl their YBC League.
 - c) If a bowler bowls in two (2) leagues in two (2) separate Zones, he/she must bowl in the Zone in which they reside.
3. The Zone Finals shall consist of five (5) games.
4. The top seven (7) men and seven (7) ladies, and the bowler with the next highest pinfall, either male or female, shall qualify for the Provincial Championships.
5. The top five (5) men and five (5) ladies shall make up the Men's and Ladies' teams.
6. The next two (2) men and two (2) ladies and the next highest qualifier either male or female, shall make up the Mixed Team.
7. In the event that a Zone Association cannot field a full contingent for the Provincial Championships as noted above, the following will apply:
 - a) Three (3) men and two (2) ladies or three (3) ladies and two (2) men will field a Mixed Team only
 - b) Five (5) to seven (7) entries (Men and Ladies) will field a Men's or Ladies' Team.
 - c) Eight (8) men and seven (7) ladies or eight (8) ladies and seven (7) men entries will field a full contingent
 - d) For any other combination of bowlers, please contact the Provincial Office for a ruling
8. In the event of a tie for any qualifying position on the Contingent, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
9. Coaches will be selected for each team (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed) at the completion of the Zone Finals. All coaches must have **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED** or **CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE COACH** as of **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
10. Each Zone Contingent shall consist of 18 members, including fifteen (15) bowlers and three (3) team coaches.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

1. The Provincial Championships of the Youth Challenge shall be bowled on **JANUARY 9, 2016**, in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

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

EXAMPLE:

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

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

10. In the event of a tie between teams or individuals in any game during match play in the team events, all available points shall be divided equally.
11. The top two (2) teams in each group of the three (3) divisions (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) which amasses the highest point total at the conclusion of the Single Round Robin will advance to the Championship Finals.

12. In Winter Games years, the four (4) teams that qualify for the Championship Finals (as in Rule #11 above) will also advance to compete in the Ontario Winter Games Championships.
13. In the event of a tie or ties in total points for any of the top positions after the conclusion of the qualifying rounds for any team event, the ties shall be broken by reverting back to the games bowled between the tied teams and, on a points won or lost basis, the higher placing shall be declared. If a tie still exists, the team with the most pinfall for the games bowled between the tied teams shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, a one (1) game roll-off will be held.
14. During the Championship Finals:
 - a) The first (1st) place team in Group #1 will play the second (2nd) place team in Group #2
 - b) The first (1st) place team in Group #2 will play the second (2nd) place team in Group #1
 - c) The winning teams will play each other to determine 1st and 2nd place
 - d) The losing teams will play each other to determine 3rd and 4th place
15. For **WINTER GAMES YEARS**, the Winter Games Championships will use the format as follows:

The top four (4) teams, based on points accumulated in the match play qualifying round, will advance to the Championship Stepladder Final. The gold medal match will be a two (2) game playoff with the first (1st) place qualifying team being required to win only one (1) game to be declared champions.

During the Stepladder Finals:

- a) The fourth (4th) place qualifying team will play the third (3rd) place qualifying team
- b) The winner of that match will play the second (2nd) place qualifying team
- c) The winner of that match must defeat the first (1st) place team twice to be declared champions.

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

16. In the event of a tie or ties in total points for any positions after completion of the round robin match play qualifying round, the ties shall be broken by reverting back to the game bowled between the teams involved in the tie, and on a points won or lost basis, the higher placing shall be decided. If a tie still exists, the team with the most pinfall for the game bowled between the tied teams shall receive the higher placing.
17. In all team events the order of bowling may be changed each game (unrestricted line-up).
18. When the question arises as to whom of any two bowlers bearing corresponding positions in the line-up of opposing teams shall bowl first, the bowler on the right must bowl first.
19. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. Late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.

20. If a bowler misses a game or games, they shall receive the lowest score from the opposing team for the purpose of determining the total team score. The missing bowler's score cannot receive an individual match point for winning or tying the match.
21. Only bowlers and coaches competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Assistant coaches should be positioned behind the enclosure. Any persons violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.
22. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers and the coach must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
23. Only non-playing coaches shall be allowed to coach. The coach is the only person allowed to discuss, dispute or protest any point pertaining to the Provincial Championships/Ontario Winter Games with the Judge of Play. Coaches are advised to make their bowlers fully aware of this ruling to avoid unnecessary delays.
24. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
25. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
26. Each team (**Men's, Ladies' or Mixed**) must be dressed uniformly by gender. Individuals on a team must wear bottoms in the same colour but each may wear a different length style bottom. Bowling shirts with collars or blouses to be the same design in registered Zone Association colours with the name of the bowler or coach (optional), and Zone identified on the shirt. A female coaching a Men's or Mixed Team can wear dress pants, skirts, skorts, dress shorts or capris however a male coaching a Ladies' team must wear dress pants or dress shorts. Dress pants, skirts, skorts, dress shorts or capris shall be of the same colour with straight hemmed bottom (no fluorescent colours, no denim of any colour, stirrups, leggings, harem, cargo, ruggers or sweatpants of any kind). No draw strings or no elastic at the hem of any kind. The dress pants, skirts, skorts, capris or dress shorts shall not be faded, torn, ripped, contain studs, buttons or pockets on the leg. The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side. No hats, caps or headgear will be allowed in the bowlers' enclosure, unless worn for medical or religious reasons. A commercially made "Coach" pin must be worn on the front or sleeve and be visible at all times, unless the word "Coach" is embroidered on the shirt sleeve or chest. The first offence is a uniform violation. Subsequent violations during the same event, is removal from the tournament. Any bowler or coach not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER and COACH not conforming to the dress code. A tournament official will discuss a dress code violation issue with the coach only. (It will be up to the coach to rectify the problem)
27. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
28. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.

29. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
30. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
31. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**

a) A Tournament game(s) or frame(s) within a game, which is irretrievably lost in the scoring process, is null and void. The game(s) or frame(s) must be re-bowled unless one of the following conditions is met:

- i) Scores of any players that have been lost can be documented.
- ii) The team captains/coaches can completely agree on one or more scores lost.
- iii) The Tournament Committee rules that the game(s) or frame(s) are not to be re-bowled.

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

32. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

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

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**FORMAT**

The Ontario Open 5 Pin Championships consists of three (3) steps:

- **ZONE FINALS**
- **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**
- **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers and coaches **19 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entry deadline to be set by each Zone Association.
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 - a) Entry fee to be decided by each Zone Association.
 - b) All zones must pay the designated assessment for this event.
 - c) **All bowlers, coaches and assistant coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional assessment fee (to be determined).**
4. All bowlers wishing to qualify for both the Regular Open and Seniors Open must declare, prior to the start of the tournament, their intent and pay the prevailing entry fee, prior to throwing the first ball.
5. **REPLACEMENT OF A BOWLER POLICY:**

Replacement of a bowler, once qualified for the Zone Contingent, shall not be permitted unless the reason is submitted **in writing** and signed by said bowler. Under extenuating circumstances, the Provincial Tournament Committee may waive the requirement for a letter from the bowler however; the reason(s) for withdrawal must be verified in writing by the Zone.

6. Any bowler who withdraws, before the next level of competition as in Rule #5 above, is subject to automatic suspension from this event by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and any further participation in the event.
7. Any bowler suspended under the above rule may have the suspension repealed if an acceptable reason for withdrawal is provided in writing. Such a written appeal must be received in the Provincial Office within ninety (90) days of a bowler being advised of their suspension under this rule.
8. Any bowler who withdraws, for any reason at any level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event. **(See General Rules #6 and #7)**
9. Replacement of a bowler on any team may only be made with the approval of the Provincial Tournament Committee. The bowler being replaced shall not be permitted to compete in any event for the balance of the tournament.

10. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up (man or lady) from the Zone finals.
11. If the replacement bowler(s) for each Zone takes on a coaching position, they will forfeit the right to be the replacement bowler(s) for their Zone Contingent.
12. If a replacement bowler is unable to compete at the Provincial Championships, a zone may designate an "**EMERGENCY SPARE**". The name of the emergency spare (one man and one lady) must be submitted to the Tournament Committee in writing at a coaches' meeting, or the team goes without for the remainder of the competition. Emergency spares must have entered the Zone finals and must be in a shirt of their Zone colour and identification.
13. A replacement bowler or emergency spare cannot be included in the team's starting line-up for the bowler's **FIRST GAME ONLY**. If the team advances to the National Championships, the replacement bowler or emergency spare shall be deemed to be an original qualifier.
14. When replacement of more than one bowler is approved on any team under General Rules 5 through 11 above, the **FIRST** approved substitute(s) shall be deemed to be an original qualifier.
15. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
16. The Provincial Tournament Committee may, if deemed necessary, run a Wild Card Tournament to eliminate the need for BYES at the Provincial Championships.
17. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time**. Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
18. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy.
19. Assistant coaches must have a **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED** or be **CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE COACH**. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
20. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds.
21. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
22. Each Zone Association must submit to the Provincial Office, no later than **JANUARY 4, 2016**, the entry form for every bowler that entered the tournament.

23. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.

ZONE FINALS

1. The Zone finals shall consist of twenty (20) games bowled between **NOVEMBER 22, 2015** and **DECEMBER 13, 2015** in centres designated by the Local Zone Association. **To qualify for the Open, a bowler must bowl one (1) game to be eligible.**
2. a) All bowlers may bowl in the Zone of their "**PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE**".

DEFINITION OF PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE:

As a guide, Principal Residence shall be the residence individuals use for taxation purposes, driver's licence, etc. Bowlers with more than one residence, such as commuters or individuals living away from home for employment reasons, must contact the Provincial Office for a ruling.

- b) i) Bowlers/coaches who only compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league, in the Zone of their principal residence, and individuals who do not compete in an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league, must enter the Open in the Zone of their principal residence.
- ii) Bowlers/coaches who compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league in a Zone other than their principal residence, and have played the year prior in that other Zone, will be allowed to compete in the Open in that other Zone by filing a "**DECLARATION OF INTENT**" to the Zone Tournament Director by **OCTOBER 31, 2015**. A copy of the current year (2015-16) average sheet confirming their current participation in said league or in another league, within that same Association, must accompany the **“DECLARATION OF INTENT”**. **Furthermore, I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that this form is submitted to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers’ Association by the deadline date established.**

Please Note: In the prior season, a bowler/coach must have bowled a minimum of fifty (50) games in a sanctioned or affiliated league of the Zone they wish to declare in, and be listed on the o5pba.ca website Average Book for that league to be eligible to declare. Once a Declaration of Intent is filed the bowler/coach cannot bowl/coach in the Zone of their principal residence for that year. If a Declaration of Intent is not filed by that date, the bowler/coach must compete in the Zone of their principal residence.

Please Note: The following motion was passed by the delegates at the O5PBA Annual Convention in June 2014:

REMOVE THE 50-GAME CRITERIA FOR A COACH WHO IS NOT ACTIVELY BOWLING AT ALL (NOT AN O5 MEMBER FROM ANY LEAGUE) SO THEY CAN COACH IN A NON-RESIDENT ZONE.

DEFINITION OF LEAGUES:

SANCTIONED – A league will be registered and sanctioned providing that 75% of the participating bowlers purchase a membership card.

AFFILIATED – A league will be affiliated providing that at least ten (10) bowlers from the league purchase a membership card. Included with those bowlers must be the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the league.

- c) All qualifiers to the Zone Contingent shall have their residence verified by the Zone Association Tournament Director.
 - d) The penalty for bowling in the wrong Zone is an automatic suspension from the event.
 - e) All decisions may be appealed. Requests to have suspensions lifted must be made in writing to the Provincial Board of Directors.
3. Other factors that may affect residency rules are as follows:
- a) Any bowler/coach changing their principal residence from one Zone to another has the option of bowling in the Zone into which they have moved or of bowling in the Zone they have moved from within the same Province, but for that **ONE YEAR ONLY**.
The following year, the bowler must bowl in the Zone in which they reside, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
 - b) If the boundaries of a Zone or Zones are changed by the O5PBA, all bowlers affected by the change may continue to bowl in the Zone in which they were residing, prior to the boundary change, for a maximum of two (2) years. However, if they choose to bowl in the new Zone in which they now reside, prior to the conclusion of the two (2) year grace period, they may do so. By doing this they will forfeit all rights to return to bowl in their old/original Zone, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
 - c) If a Zone is “Split” to create two new Zones, bowlers must bowl in the Zone of their principal residence, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
4. The top nine (9) men and the top nine (9) ladies, based on total pinfall at the completion of the Zone finals, shall qualify for the Provincial Championships.
5. The top three (3) men and the top three (3) ladies will be recognized as the Singles Competitors for the Provincial Championships.
6. The next three (3) men and three (3) ladies, along with the singles competitors, shall make up the Men’s and Ladies’ teams.
7. The next three (3) men and three (3) ladies shall make up the Mixed Team.
8. Any bowler, who qualifies for both the Open and Senior Open in their Zone Round, must bowl in the Regular Open.

9. In the event that a Zone Association cannot field a full contingent for the Provincial Championships as noted above, the following will apply:
 - a) Three (3) to four (4) entries will field Singles Competitors only
 - b) Five (5) entries will field a Men's or Ladies' Team (with no spare)
 - c) Six (6) or seven (7) entries will field a Men's or Ladies' Team
 - d) Eight (8) entries will field three (3) Singles plus a Men's or Ladies' Team and Mixed Team (with no spare)
10. In the event of a tie for any qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
11. Coaches shall be selected by each team (**Men's, Ladies' and Mixed**) at the completion of the Zone finals. All coaches, including assistants, must have a **FULL LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION** and **MED TRAINED**, or **CERTIFIED COMPETITIVE COACH** as of **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Rule #2 b) above may also be applied to choice of coaches. If a team cannot decide on a coach from within their Zone, the O5PBA will appoint one from that Zone if possible.
12. In an emergency situation, the Provincial Tournament Committee may exercise the right to "fill the field".

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled from **MARCH 23-26, 2016** inclusive, in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. The reigning Ontario Singles Champions (Men's and Ladies') shall be seeded each year to defend their titles at the Provincial Championships. There will be no move-ups if the seeded singles competitors qualify in their Zone as a singles representative. Seeded singles competitors who did not qualify as a singles representative for their Zone cannot win aggregate points in this event.
3. All singles competitors (men and ladies), shall bowl a five (5) game qualifying round. The top 50% (including ties), shall advance to a second round of five (5) games. At the conclusion of the second round, the top five (5) men and five (5) ladies based on total pinfall for all ten (10) games shall advance to a singles stepladder match play final.
In the event a bowler who has qualified for the singles stepladder match play finals and is unable to bowl due to illness or injury, he/she will not be replaced. The bowler who would be bowling against him/her will receive an automatic win and advance to the next match. The player (man and lady) advancing to the Championship match must beat the first (1st) place qualifier (man and lady) twice to be declared the Provincial Champion.
4. Late singles bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival regardless of the reason for being late.
5. In the event of a tie in the singles competition for any of the five (5) stepladder positions, a one (1) game roll-off shall decide the higher placing.
6. In the event of a tie in the singles competition during the stepladder finals, an extra game shall be bowled to determine the winner.

7. If computer scoring is not available, all Zones must provide two scorekeepers for the first five (5) game block of the singles competition, and should provide their names to the Provincial Office at least seven (7) days prior to the start of the tournament. A penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) will be assessed to Zones that do not provide scorekeepers.
8. All singles bowlers must initial their lane sheet before it leaves the scorestand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.
9. Coaches are permitted for the singles competition. During the first two five (5) game qualifying rounds, the men's and ladies' team coaches may coach their Zone singles competitors. In the event that the men's or ladies' team coach are not available to coach, the singles competitors can select another certified coach. In the stepladder match play finals, a bowler may select a Level 2 coach or Trained in Competitive Coach of his/her choice. In all cases, each coach must be a member in good standing with the O5, have paid the mandatory assessment fee and be dressed in his or her Zone uniform. (See Provincial Championships Rule #37)
10. If a singles qualifier from the Zone Final is unable to compete at the Provincial Championships, the fourth (4th) place qualifier shall move up into the third (3rd) place qualifying position as a singles competitor. All other positions on the contingent shall be filled by the runner-up man or runner-up lady, whichever the case may be, from the Zone Finals.
11. In all team events, bowl five (5) and count five (5).
12. Each team in the qualifying rounds will bowl a Single Round Robin using the individual team match play system. The number of games will be determined by the number of teams competing.
13. At the conclusion of the qualifying round, the top four (4) teams (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed) with the most points shall advance to a Stepladder Final. In the event of a tie or ties in total points for any of the top four (4) positions after the conclusion of the qualifying rounds for any team event, the ties shall be broken by reverting back to the games bowled between the tied teams and, on a points won or lost basis, the higher placing shall be declared. If a tie still exists, the team with the most pinfall for the games bowled between the tied teams shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, a one (1) game roll-off will be held.
14. During the Stepladder Finals:
 - a) The fourth (4th) place qualifying team will play the third (3rd) place qualifying team.
 - b) The winner of that match will play the second (2nd) place qualifying team.
 - c) The winner of that match will advance to the Championship Finals.
 - d) The team advancing to the Championship match must beat the first (1st) place qualifying team twice to be declared the Provincial Champion.

Note: In the event of a 4-4 tie in the Stepladder Final, another game will be bowled.
15. The team with the higher placing after the qualifying round will be the "HOME" team in the team stepladder finals.
16. A match play format shall be used to determine the champions in all team events. Each bowler who beats their opponent on the opposing team shall receive one (1) point. Three (3) points shall be awarded to the team that has the higher pinfall for the game, making a total of eight (8) points possible for each game.

EXAMPLE:

<u>Team "A"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Team "B"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Little</u>	340	1	Bates	257	0
Labombarbe	219	0	<u>Tuck</u>	258	1
<u>Szucki</u>	305	1	Russell	262	0
Hancock	276	0	<u>Britton</u>	281	1
<u>Meloche</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>1</u>	Dragun	<u>241</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1397</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>1299</u>	<u>2</u>

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

17. In the event of a tie between teams or individuals in any game during the match play of the team events, all available points shall be divided equally between the tied teams or individuals.
18. In each game, the team assigned by lane draw to the right-hand lane shall be the "**HOME**" team, and the team assigned to the left-hand lane shall be the "**AWAY**" team. It is the responsibility of the visiting team coach to have their line-up completed and available to the home team coach within five (5) minutes commencing when the last team finishes within the division or the visiting team will lose a match point by the Judge of Play for delay of game.
19. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. Late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason for being late.
20. Any bowler not present for their turn in corresponding order, once the game has been started by the Judge of Play, will face a zero score for that frame.
21. In all team events, the order of bowling may be changed for each game (unrestricted line-up and substitution).
22. Substitutions may be made at any time, but the bowler being substituted may not bowl again in the same game. One (1) substitution per game shall be allowed in the Men's, Ladies' and Mixed team events.
23. If the starting bowler is ahead when a substitution is made, the starting bowler gets credit for any match point won. If the starting bowler is behind when a substitution is made, the substitute bowler gets credit for any match point won.
24. When any question arises as to whom of any two bowlers bearing corresponding positions in the line-up of opposing teams shall bowl first, the bowler on the right must bowl first.
25. At the completion of each game, teams shall remain at their respective lanes. When instructed to do so, they shall move to their next set of lanes as per the lane draw. The lead-off bowlers shall await the starting signal.
26. Lead-off bowlers shall not start the next frame until their anchor bowler has finished the prior frame. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be assessed said bowler for violating this rule and any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".

27. In all team events, only bowlers and coaches competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Assistant coaches should be positioned behind the enclosure. Any person violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.
28. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers and the coach must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
29. Only non-playing coaches shall be allowed to coach. The coach is the only person allowed to discuss, dispute or protest any point pertaining to the Provincial Championships with the Judge of Play. Coaches are advised to make their bowlers fully aware of this ruling to avoid unnecessary delays. "Coach" designation must appear on the front of the shirt or blouse (**See Provincial Championship Rule #37**)
30. Team lane sheets must be signed by the coach after each game. Lane sheets filled out improperly or not signed may result in a penalty of one (1) point being assessed to the team.
31. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up preceding each block.
32. All games shall start when the Judge of Play gives the starting signal. (**See Rule #25**)
33. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal shall be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. If the bowler is not in the starting line-up the penalty shall be assessed against the team. Any ball or balls so delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
34. Bowlers who wish to leave the bowlers' enclosure should inform their coach who should then inform the Judge of Play.
35. No food or beverage of any kind shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure.
36. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
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45. Alcoholic beverages will be allowed during breaks and/or picture sessions but **only in designated areas**. Any bowler, coach or assistant coach violating this privilege will be given a written warning for the first offence. Repeat offenders will be removed from the tournament.
46. Any bowler, coach or assistant coach found to be intoxicated shall be removed from the tournament.
47. The Provincial Aggregate Banner shall be awarded to the Zone Association that finishes with the most aggregate points based on the Contingent's standing in all events; (Men's, Ladies, and Mixed Teams) and (Men's and Ladies' Singles).
48. Replicas of the Aggregate Banner shall be awarded to all members of the Contingent. The Aggregate point system to be used is as follows:

QUALIFYING ROUNDS

1 st	Advance to Finals
2 nd	Advance to Finals
3 rd	Advance to Finals
4 th	Advance to Finals
5 th	10 Points
6 th	9 Points
7 th	8 Points
8 th	7 Points
9 th	6 Points
10 th	5 Points
11 th	4 Points
12 th	3 Points
13 th	2 Points
14 th	1 Point

SINGLES EVENTS

1 st12 Points
2 nd8 Points
3 rd6 Points
4 th4 Points
5 th3 Points

STEPLADDER FINALS

1 st18 Points
2 nd15 Points
3 rd14 Points
4 th13 Points

49. A bowler who is declared as Provincial Singles Champion shall bowl in the singles event only at the National Championships. **A bowler who is declared the Provincial Singles Champion and is also on a Championship team, may bowl in both events at the Nationals if scheduling permits.** If scheduling does not permit them to bowl in both events, he/she has the option to choose where to bowl. If a bowler on the Men's, Ladies' or Mixed team is unable to compete in the National Championships, the team roster must be filled by the next eligible qualifier from the Zone Contingent that the team represents. If all other eligible bowlers from the same Zone have also qualified for the National Championships, the team roster must be filled by the next eligible bowler from the Zone Finals that team represents.
50. The Provincial Rookie Award will be presented to the top male and female rookie that finishes with the most points based on the following point system:

Singles	
Bowl Singles	2 points
Bowl 2nd 5 Games	3 points
5th in Stepladder Finals	4 points
4th in Stepladder Finals	5 points
3rd in Stepladder Finals	6 points
2nd in Stepladder Finals	7 points
1st in Stepladder Finals	8 points

Teams				
Wins	Frames	Points	Average	Points
1 point per win	1-50	1	200-225	1
	51-75	2	226-250	2
	76-100	3	251 & up	3
	101-110	5		
	111-120	7		
	121-130	10		

Bowler receives points for highest placing only.

51. If a coach cannot advance to the Nationals, the team will select from the qualified competitors that competed at the Provincial Championships that did not advance to the Nationals from the same Zone. If the team cannot agree, the O5PBA Tournament Committee will select the coach.

52. IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES

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

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

53. INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES

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

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

The Ontario Open 5 Pin Seniors Championships consists of two (2) steps:

- **ZONE FINALS**
- **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers 50 years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entry deadline to be set by each Zone Association.
3.
 - a) Entry fee to be decided by each Zone Association.
 - b) All participating zones (**minimum of six (6)**) must pay the designated assessment for this event.
 - c) **All bowlers, coaches and assistant coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional assessment fee to be determined.**
4. All bowlers wishing to qualify for both the Regular Open and Seniors Open must declare, prior to the start of the tournament their intent and pay the prevailing entry fee prior to throwing the first ball.
5. **REPLACEMENT OF A BOWLER POLICY:**

Replacement of a bowler, once qualified for the Zone Contingent, shall not be permitted unless the reason is submitted **in writing** and signed by said bowler. Under extenuating circumstances, the Provincial Tournament Committee may waive the requirement for a letter from the bowler however; the reason(s) for withdrawal must be verified in writing by the Zone.

6. Any bowler who withdraws, before the next level of competition as in Rule #5 above, is subject to automatic suspension from this event by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and any further participation in the event.
7. Any bowler suspended under the above rule may have the suspension repealed if an acceptable reason for withdrawal is provided in writing. Such a written appeal must be received in the Provincial Office within ninety (90) days of a bowler being advised of their suspension under this rule.
8. Any bowler who withdraws, for any reason at any level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event. **(See General Rules #6 and #7)**
9. Replacement of a bowler on any team may only be made with the approval of the Provincial Tournament Committee. The bowler being replaced shall not be permitted to compete in any event for the balance of the tournament.

10. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up (man or lady) from the Zone finals.
11. If the replacement bowler(s) for each Zone takes on a coaching position, they will forfeit the right to be the replacement bowler(s) for their Zone Contingent.
12. If a replacement bowler is unable to compete at the Provincial Championships, a zone may designate an "**EMERGENCY SPARE**". The name of the emergency spare (one man and one lady) must be submitted to the Tournament Committee in writing at a coaches' meeting, or the team goes without for the remainder of the competition. Emergency spares must have entered the Zone finals and must be in a shirt of their Zone colour and identification.
13. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
14. The Provincial Tournament Committee may, if deemed necessary, run a Wild Card Tournament to eliminate the need for BYES at the Provincial Championships.
15. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
16. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy.
17. Assistant coaches must be **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED**. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
18. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds.
19. In case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
20. Each Zone Association must submit to the Provincial Office, no later than **JANUARY 4, 2016**, the entry form for every bowler that entered the tournament.
21. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.

ZONE FINALS

1. The Zone finals shall consist of ten (10) games bowled in conjunction with the Open Qualifying Round in your Zone between **NOVEMBER 22, 2015** and **DECEMBER 13, 2015** in centres designated by the Local Zone Association. **To qualify for the Seniors Open, a bowler must bowl one (1) game to be eligible.**

2. a) All bowlers may bowl in the Zone of their "**PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE**".

DEFINITION:

As a guide, Principal Residence shall be the residence individuals use for taxation purposes, driver's licence, etc. Bowlers with more than one residence, such as commuters or individuals living away from home for employment reasons, must contact the Provincial Office for a ruling.

- b) i) Bowlers/coaches who only compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league in the Zone of their principal residence, and individuals who do not compete in an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league, must enter the Seniors Open in the Zone of their principal residence.
- ii) Bowlers/coaches who compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA sanctioned or affiliated league in a Zone other than their principal residence, and have played the year prior in that other Zone, will be allowed to compete in the Seniors Open in that other Zone by filing a "**DECLARATION OF INTENT**" to the Zone Tournament Director by **OCTOBER 31, 2015**. A copy of the current year (2015-16) average sheet confirming their current participation in said league or in another league, within that same Association, must accompany the "**DECLARATION OF INTENT**". **Furthermore, I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that this form is submitted to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association by the deadline date established.**

Please Note: In the prior season, a bowler/coach must have bowled a minimum of fifty (50) games in a sanctioned or affiliated league of the Zone they wish to declare in, and be listed on the o5pba.ca website Average Book for that league to be eligible to declare. Once a Declaration of Intent is filed the bowler/coach cannot bowl/coach in the Zone of their principal residence for that year. If a Declaration of Intent is not filed by that date, the bowler/coach must compete in the Zone of their principal residence.

Please Note: The following motion was passed by the delegates at the O5PBA Annual Convention in June 2014:

REMOVE THE 50-GAME CRITERIA FOR A COACH WHO IS NOT ACTIVELY BOWLING AT ALL (NOT AN O5 MEMBER FROM ANY LEAGUE) SO THEY CAN COACH IN A NON-RESIDENT ZONE.

DEFINITION OF LEAGUES:

SANCTIONED – A league will be registered and sanctioned providing that 75% of the participating bowlers purchase a membership card.

AFFILIATED – A league will be affiliated providing that at least ten (10) bowlers from the league purchase a membership card. Included with those bowlers must be the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the league.

- c) All qualifiers to the Zone Contingent shall have their residence verified by the Zone Association Tournament Director.

- d) The penalty for bowling in the wrong Zone is an automatic suspension from the event.
 - e) All decisions may be appealed. Requests to have suspensions lifted must be made in writing to the Provincial Board of Directors.
3. Other factors that may affect residency rules are as follows:
- a) Any bowler/coach changing their principal residence from one Zone to another has the option of bowling in the Zone into which they have moved or of bowling in the Zone they have moved from within the same Province, but for that **ONE YEAR ONLY**.
The following year, the bowler must bowl in the Zone in which they reside, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
 - b) If the boundaries of a Zone or Zones are changed by the O5PBA, all bowlers affected by the change may continue to bowl in the Zone in which they were residing, prior to the boundary change, for a maximum of two (2) years. However, if they choose to bowl in the new Zone in which they now reside, prior to the conclusion of the two (2) year grace period, they may do so. By doing this they will forfeit all rights to return to bowl in their old/original Zone, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
 - c) If a Zone is "Split" to create two new Zones, bowlers must bowl in the Zone of their principal residence, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
4. The top three (3) men and the top three (3) ladies based on total pinfall at the completion of the Zone finals, shall make up the Senior Mixed Team and will advance to the Provincial Championships.
5. Any bowler, who qualifies for both the Open and Senior Open in their Zone Round, must bowl in the Regular Open.
6. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
7. A coach shall be selected by the team at the completion of the Zone finals. All coaches, including assistants, must have been **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the O5PBA. Rule #2 b) above may also be applied to choice of coaches. If a team cannot decide on a coach from within their Zone, the O5PBA will appoint one from that Zone if possible.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Seniors Provincial Championships shall be bowled from **MARCH 23-26, 2016** inclusive, in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All competitors (men and ladies) will have their scores count for all games bowled in the Single Round Robin. At the conclusion of the Single Round Robin, the top five (5) men and five (5) ladies based on total pinfall for all games bowled shall advance to a singles stepladder match play final. **In the event a bowler who has qualified for the singles stepladder match play finals and is unable to bowl due to illness or injury, he/she will not be replaced. The bowler who would be bowling against him/her will receive an**

automatic win and advance to the next match. The player (man and lady) advancing to the Championship match must beat the first (1st) place qualifier (man and lady) twice to be declared the Provincial Champion.

3. In the event of a tie in the singles competition for any of the five (5) stepladder positions, a one (1) game roll-off shall decide the higher placing.
4. In the event of a tie in the singles competition during the stepladder finals, an extra game shall be bowled to determine the winner.
5. In the stepladder match play finals, a bowler may select a coach with a minimum **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** of his/her choice. **In all cases, each coach must be a member in good standing with the O5, have paid the mandatory assessment fee and be dressed in his or her Zone uniform. (See Provincial Championships Rule #31)**
6. Each team will bowl five (5) and count five (5).
7. Each team in the qualifying rounds will bowl a Single Round Robin using the individual team match play system. The number of games bowled will be determined by the number of teams competing.
8. At the conclusion of the qualifying round, the top four (4) teams with the most points shall advance to a Stepladder Final. In the event of a tie or ties in total points for any of the top four (4) positions after the conclusion of the qualifying rounds for any team event, the ties shall be broken by reverting back to the games bowled between the tied teams and, on a points won or lost basis, the higher placing shall be declared. If a tie still exists, the team with the most pinfall for the games bowled between the tied teams shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, a one (1) game roll-off will be held.
9. During the Stepladder Finals:
 - a) The fourth (4th) place qualifying team will play the third (3rd) place qualifying team.
 - b) The winner of that match will play the second (2nd) place qualifying team.
 - c) The winner of that match will advance to the Championship Finals.
 - d) The team advancing to the Championship match must beat the first (1st) place qualifying team twice to be declared the Provincial Champion.

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

10. The team with the higher placing after the qualifying round will be the “**HOME**” team in the team stepladder finals.
11. A match play format shall be used to determine the champions in all team events. Each bowler who beats their opponent on the opposing team shall receive one (1) point. Three (3) points shall be awarded to the team that has the higher pinfall for the game, making a total of eight (8) points possible for each game.

EXAMPLE:

<u>Team "A"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Team "B"</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Little</u>	340	1	Bates	257	0
Labombarbe	219	0	<u>Tuck</u>	258	1
<u>Szucki</u>	305	1	Russell	262	0
Hancock	276	0	<u>Britton</u>	281	1
<u>Meloche</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>1</u>	Dragun	<u>241</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1397</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>1299</u>	<u>2</u>

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

12. In the event of a tie between teams or individuals in any game during the match play of the team events, all available points shall be divided equally between the tied teams or individuals.
13. In each game, the team assigned by lane draw to the right-hand lane shall be the "**HOME**" team, and the team assigned to the left-hand lane shall be the "**AWAY**" team. It is the responsibility of the visiting team coach to have their line-up completed and available to the home team coach within five (5) minutes commencing when the last team finishes within the division or the visiting team will lose a match point by the Judge of Play for delay of game.
14. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. Late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason for being late.
15. Any bowler not present for their turn in corresponding order, once the game has been started by the Judge of Play, will face a zero score for that frame.
16. If a bowler misses a game or games, they shall receive the lowest score from the opposing team for the purpose of determining the total team score. The missing bowler's score cannot receive an individual match point for winning or tying the match.
17. In all team events, the order of bowling may be changed for each game (unrestricted line-up and substitution).
18. When any question arises as to whom of any two bowlers bearing corresponding positions in the line-up of opposing teams shall bowl first, the bowler on the right must bowl first.
19. At the completion of each game, teams shall remain at their respective lanes. When instructed to do so, they shall move to their next set of lanes as per the lane draw. The lead-off bowlers shall await the starting signal.
20. Lead-off bowlers shall not start the next frame until their anchor bowler has finished the prior frame. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be assessed said bowler for violating this rule and any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
21. In all team events, only bowlers and coaches competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Assistant coaches should be positioned behind the enclosure. Any person violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.

22. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers and the coach must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
23. Only non-playing coaches shall be allowed to coach. **The coach is the only person allowed to discuss, dispute or protest any point pertaining to the Provincial Championships with the Judge of Play.** Coaches are advised to make their bowlers fully aware of this ruling to avoid unnecessary delays. "Coach" designation must appear on the front of the shirt or blouse. (**See Provincial Championships Rule #31**)
24. Team lane sheets must be signed by the coach after each game. Lane sheets filled out improperly or not signed may result in a penalty of one (1) point being assessed to the team.
25. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up preceding each block.
26. All games shall start when the Judge of Play gives the starting signal. (**See Rule #19**)
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PROVINCIAL TRIPLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

The Provincial Triples 5 Pin Championships consists of three (3) steps:

- LEAGUE ROUND
- ZONE/DC FINALS
- PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Each league may enter as many three (3) player teams as they wish (**minimum of three (3) teams**). **Any bowler wishing to bowl on more than one team in the League Round, will be permitted to do so, provided they pay an additional entry fee of \$9.00 (HST Included) per bowler per entry.**
3. Entry deadline shall be **JANUARY 17, 2016**.
4. Entry fee shall be \$9.00 per bowler (HST included). **All bowlers/coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation Fee (to be determined).**
5. Format in all rounds will be based on "total pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
6. A league must have a minimum of nine (9) paid entries in order to participate.
7. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition, except in the League Round, where league rules shall apply.
8. **QUALIFYING ROUND POLICY:**
 - a) Bowlers who are members in two (2) or more leagues may enter and compete in each League Round. Bowlers, who qualify to advance from more than one (1) league, may bowl on more than one (1) team at the Zone/DC finals, only if scheduling permits.
 - b) The phrase, "if scheduling permits", grants permission for a bowler to compete in more than one Zone/DC final, so long as each of those finals is a separate and distinct competition, occurring on different days, or at substantially different times.
 - c) Bowlers who qualify to bowl on more than one (1) team at the Zone/DC finals, but scheduling does not permit them to bowl on both teams, must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the league qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.

- d) No bowler will be permitted to compete on more than one (1) team at the Provincial Championships. Bowlers qualifying on more than one (1) team for the Provincial Championships must bowl on the team from the league that places higher in the Zone/DC qualifying round. If a tie exists, the bowler must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as of the specified average date.
- 9. At the Zone/DC finals, and each subsequent round, each team will consist of three (3) bowlers. All three (3) bowlers shall bowl, and all three (3) bowlers shall count.
- 10. Any bowler who, for any reason, vacates their position on a team for the next level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event on that team or any other team. Such withdrawal may result in suspension of tournament/membership privileges of that individual.
- 11.
 - a) A substitute bowler for the Zone/DC finals must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced and must come from the highest placing team from the League Round that did not qualify to advance. League Executives shall go down the list of teams in order of finish until a substitute is found.
 - b) After the Zone/DC finals, a substitute bowler must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced and must come from the highest placing team at the Zone/DC finals if two (2) or more teams competed from that league. If only one (1) team competed from that league, the substitute bowler must come from the highest placing team from the League Round that did not qualify to advance to the Zone/DC finals.
 - c) A substitute team must be the next team in order of finish from the preceding roll-off.
 - d) Any bowler who, for any reason, declines to be a substitute in any round is ineligible to be a substitute at any subsequent round.
- 12. Scores and averages of winners in all rounds will be authenticated and checked thoroughly. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, shall result in an automatic disqualification.
- 13. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
- 14. All team members **MUST** be from the same league.
- 15. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.

LEAGUE ROUND

1. Teams shall bowl the number of games normally bowled by that league for three (3) consecutive weeks during regular league play between **JANUARY 25, 2016** and **FEBRUARY 21, 2016**.
2. All bowlers, who compete in the League Round, must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their average from the league in which they are competing up to and including **JANUARY 10, 2016**, with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

3. Bowlers qualifying for the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games from the beginning of the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016** in order to compete in the Provincial Championships.
4. Spare bowlers are ineligible unless they can compete for the three (3) week League Round and are members in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
5. The League Round is a three (3) week total pins-over-average event. The triples team beating their average by the most pins over or the least pins under, if all triples teams are below their average after three (3) weeks, shall be declared the "League Champions". All other qualifying positions will be decided by pins-over-average for the three (3) week period.
6. Missing bowlers shall be allowed 95% of their average for any games missed during this round.
7. Leagues will advance one (1) team of three (3) bowlers each to the Zone/DC finals according to the following formula:

EXAMPLE:

9 to 11 Entries (1-3 teams)	1 Team Advances
12 to 17 Entries (4-5 teams)	2 Teams Advance
18 to 23 Entries (6-7 teams)	3 Teams Advance
24 to 29 Entries (8-9 teams)	4 Teams Advance
30 to 35 Entries (10-11 teams)	5 Teams Advance
36 to 41 Entries (12-13 teams)	6 Teams Advance
42 to 47 Entries (14-15 teams)	7 Teams Advance
48 to 53 Entries (16-17 teams)	8 Teams Advance
54 to 59 Entries (18-19 teams)	9 Teams Advance
60 to 65 Entries (20-21 teams)	10 Teams Advance and so on

8. In the event of a tie (two (2) or more teams are the same number of pins over or under their average) after the final 3rd week, the team(s) beating their average by the most pins the final 3rd week shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, the team(s) beating their average by the most pins the preceding 2nd week shall receive the higher placing.
9. The team that finishes first (1st) in the league round will receive Champion Lapel Pins.

10. If the league rules permit bowl-offs for league play, they are permissible for this round only of the tournament.
11. Teams may select any individual to coach their team at the Zone/DC finals. However, after the Zone/DC finals, any coaches selected (*optional*) must be **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. All League Round qualifiers in a Zone/DC Final shall bowl three (3) games on or before **APRIL 3, 2016** in centres designated by the Local Association.
2. Each team shall consist of three (3) bowlers.
3. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:
 - a) Team with the most pins-over-average in the last game
 - b) Retrogression method
 - c) A one (1) game roll-off

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

4. In the event of a tie for any other positions, the team with the most pins over or the least pins under if all teams are below their team average in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
5. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5cba.ca.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **FEBRUARY 21, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

6. The team beating their total team average by the most pins shall be declared the Zone/DC Champions and shall advance to the Provincial Championships.
7. If a bowler misses a game or games they shall be allowed 95% of their average for any games missed. Any absent bowler will be replaced for the Provincial Championships if their team advances.
8. All teams advancing to the Provincial Championships have the option of selecting a coach provided they are **COMMUNITY COACH TRAINED** on or before **NOVEMBER 30, 2015**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. (See **Coaching Policy Page 1-11**)

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **MAY 28, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016** and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:

Use their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **APRIL 3, 2016**.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016**.

3. All teams competing at the Provincial Championships shall be comprised of all advancing teams from the Zone/DC Finals.
4. If a bowler is unable to participate in the Provincial Championships, the team roster must be filled by the next eligible bowler from the same league as the bowler withdrawing. (**See General Rule #12**)
5. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.
6. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
7. Teams shall bowl with three (3) and will count three (3).
8. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The team that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total team pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champions.

9. If a bowler misses any game or games, they shall receive 95% of their average.
10. Any team that does not have a full complement of bowlers shall bowl only with the bowlers on hand. All bowlers shall be included in the line-up, however, any late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
11. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place, a one (1) game roll-off will be required to determine the winner. In the event of a tie or ties for any other positions, the team beating their average by the most pins in the last game shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
12. The order of bowling may be changed for each game in an unrestricted line-up.
13. At the completion of each game, teams shall remain at their respective lanes. When instructed to do so, they shall move to their next lanes as per the lane draw. The lead-off bowler shall await the starting signal.
14. Lead-off bowlers shall not start the next frame in any game until their anchor bowler has finished the prior frame.
15. Only bowlers competing in the event shall be permitted in the bowlers' enclosure. Any person violating this rule shall be removed from the bowlers' enclosure.
16. Only a bowler taking their regular turn in the line-up shall be allowed on the approach at any given time. All other bowlers must remain off the approach, to the side of or behind the scorestand, ensuring there is no interference with the scorekeeper's line of vision.
17. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
18. All bowlers and coaches must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association they represent. Bowlers and coaches must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom** (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. **A commercially made "Coach" pin must be worn on the front or sleeve and be visible at all times, unless the word "Coach" is embroidered on the shirt sleeve or chest. The first offence is a uniform violation. Subsequent violations during the same event, is removal from the tournament.** Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER and COACH not conforming to the dress code.**
19. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
20. All games shall start when the Judge of Play gives the starting signal.
21. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".

22. Flagrant violation of any rules may result in penalties being assessed by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
23. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
24. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during the delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
25. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
26. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
27. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
28. All bowlers must initial their lane sheet before it leaves the scorestand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.

29. IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES

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

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

30. INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES

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

**ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS
(Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions)
SINGLES AND DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

FORMAT

The Ontario Senior Citizens (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions) Singles and Doubles 5 Pin Championships consist of two (2) steps:

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

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers fifty (50) years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Bowlers fifty (50) to sixty-four (64) years of age will bowl in the Junior-Senior Division. Bowlers sixty-five (65) years of age and over will bowl in the Senior Division.
2. Entry fee shall be \$125.00 (HST included) per Zone/DC Association, League or Bowling Centre and per Division (**Junior-Senior and/or Senior**).
3. Entry deadline shall be **JANUARY 3, 2016**.
4. Format in all rounds to be based on "pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
5. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition except in the House Round, where house rules shall apply.
6. If a qualifier is unable to compete in the next round, the position shall be filled by the next eligible bowler from the previous round, provided the substitution is made prior to seven (7) days of the event.
7. In the event of a tie or ties in total pins over or under their average, the bowler beating their average by the most pins over or the least pins under, if all bowlers are below their average in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores from the preceding game will be used to break the tie.
8. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time**. Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say.

Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.

9. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. The Zone/DC finals shall consist of three (3) games.
2. Two (2) bowlers shall advance to the Provincial Championships in each division and can be any combination of the following:
 - a) One (1) man and one (1) lady
 - b) Two (2) men
 - c) Two (2) ladies
3. The Zone/DC finals must be completed by **MARCH 13, 2016**, and may be bowled during regular league play. If the Zone/DC finals are not being conducted during regular league play, please contact your Zone/Decentralized Association for the date and time of the roll-off.
4. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

5. Bowlers qualifying for the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games from the beginning of the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **MARCH 13, 2016**, in order to compete in the Provincial Championships.
6. Men and Ladies shall bowl in separate divisions.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **MAY 11, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **MARCH 13, 2016** and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The tournament committee reserves the right

to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use **the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:**

Use their highest league average up to and including **MARCH 13, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **MARCH 13, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **MARCH 13, 2016**.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **MARCH 13, 2016**.

3. Only bowlers declared as Zone Champions shall be eligible to compete in the Provincial Championships.
4. The Provincial Championships shall consist of three (3) games, and will be based on a pins-over-average format. Winners will be declared in Men's and Ladies' Singles for each age Division.
5. The scores of the two (2) bowlers from each Zone/DC and in each division shall be combined in order to determine the Doubles Champions.
6. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place overall, and for the purpose of declaring a Provincial Champion, a one (1) game roll-off shall be required to determine the winners.
7. In the event of a tie for any other positions, the bowler beating their average by the most pins in the last game bowled shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores of the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
8. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field if partners are absent from the Provincial Championships, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
9. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and/or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
10. All bowlers must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association the bowler represents. Bowlers must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom.** (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them

and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER not conforming to the dress code.**

11. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
12. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
13. All bowlers must initial their lane sheet before it leaves the scorestand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.
14. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules are in effect.
15. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
16. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
17. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
18. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
19. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
20. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.
21. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**
 - a) A Tournament game(s) or frame(s) within a game, which is irretrievably lost in the scoring process, is null and void. The game(s) or frame(s) must be re-bowled unless one of the following conditions is met:
 - i) Scores of any players that have been lost can be documented.
 - ii) The team captains/coaches can completely agree on one or more scores lost.
 - iii) The Tournament Committee rules that the game(s) or frame(s) are not to be re-bowled.

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

22. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

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

ONTARIO BOOSTER CLUB 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

FORMAT

The Ontario Booster Club 5 Pin Championships consist of two (2) steps:

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

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entrants must be paid up members of the Local Association Booster Club (sanctioned by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and operated by the chartered Zone or Decentralized Association) to be eligible for this tournament. **All bowlers/coaches participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation Fee (to be determined).**
3. Format in all rounds will be based on "pins-over-average" (**No Handicap**).
4. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds of competition.
5. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). **Only one pair of personal bowling balls will be allowed on the rack at a time.** Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damage to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 12 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.

ZONE/DC FINALS

1. The Zone/DC Finals must be completed by **APRIL 3, 2016**. Time and date to be set by the Local Association, and may be bowled during regular league play.
2. The Zone/DC Finals shall consist of three (3) games with the winner being declared on a pins-over-average total.
3. One (1) bowler shall advance to the Provincial Championships for an entry fee to be determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association. Local Association Booster Clubs may consist of \$20, \$30, or \$40 dollar memberships and be in quantities of 75, 100, 125, 150, 200, 250, or 300.

4. All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

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

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **FEBRUARY 28, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

PLEASE NOTE: If the Zone/DC Final is prior to **FEBRUARY 28, 2016**, the average date for Non-Average Book competitors shall be the last day of the month prior to the tournament.

5. All bowlers qualifying for the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games from the beginning of the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016** in order to compete in the Provincial Championships.
6. All bowlers must bowl in the Zone/DC Finals where they purchased a Local Booster Club Membership.
7. A bowler who purchases a Local Association Booster Club Membership in two (2) or more Zone or Decentralized Associations may enter and compete in each Zone/DC Final, providing scheduling of same permits, but shall be permitted to bowl only once in the Provincial Championships.
8. Teams or groups of bowlers, who purchase a Local Association Booster Club Membership, shall select a designated bowler from the team or group to bowl on their behalf.
9. Individuals or groups who do not bowl and who purchase a Local Association Booster Club Membership shall select a qualified designated bowler to bowl on their membership. The bowler not the membership holder, will receive the appropriate prize at the Provincial Championships.
10. A bowler who purchases more than one (1) membership in a Local Association Booster Club may bowl on each membership if scheduling permits. If scheduling does not permit, the bowler may bowl on behalf of one (1) membership, and select a designated bowler(s) to bowl on the other membership. The phrase "if scheduling permits" grants permission for a bowler to compete two or more times in a Zone/DC Final provided there is more than one shift.
11. Bowlers or designated bowlers who do not bowl in the Zone or Decentralized Association where the Local Association Booster Club Membership was purchased shall be permitted to bowl in that Zone/DC Final.
12. All designated bowlers must be members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and be **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2015**.

13. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or the final advancing position, the Zone/DC will decide the tie breaking method from one of the following:
 - a) Team with the most pins-over-average in the last game
 - b) Retrogression method
 - c) A one (1) game roll-off

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

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The Provincial Championships shall be bowled on **MAY 28, 2016** in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in all sanctioned or non-sanctioned leagues in Ontario. The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.

NON-AVERAGE BOOK: Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:

Use their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **APRIL 3, 2016**.

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **APRIL 3, 2016**.

3. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The bowler that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champion.
4. Any late bowler shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
5. If a qualifier is unable to compete in the Provincial Championships, the position shall be filled by the next eligible bowler from the Zone/DC Finals.

6. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field, and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
7. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place, a one (1) game roll-off will be held between the tied players to determine the winner.
8. In the event of a tie or ties for any other positions, the bowler beating their average by the most pins in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If the tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores from the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
9. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
10. Bowlers may have up to 2 x 4 inches of sponsorship logos and or identification on each sleeve of the shirt. Sponsors may vary between individuals. Sponsors may not be in conflict with sponsors of the O5PBA or C5PBA.
11. All bowlers must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association the bowler represents. Bowlers must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons. Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER not conforming to the dress code.**
12. There shall be a fifteen (15) minute warm-up prior to the start of the event.
13. All bowlers must initial their lane sheet before it leaves the scorestand after each game. This acknowledges that their score is correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the scorestand.
14. There shall be no use of alcohol, illegal drugs or vapour cigarettes. Any bowler found to be intoxicated or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be removed from the tournament.
15. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules are in effect.
16. Any article falling from a bowler's person on or over the foul line during the delivery of a ball is a foul. A penalty of fifteen (15) pins shall be deducted for such an infraction. Call the Judge of Play to retrieve any such articles.
17. Any bowler who throws a ball prior to the starting signal may be assessed a fifteen (15) pin penalty. Any ball or balls delivered shall be declared a "dead ball".
18. For interpretation of any rules or controversy of any kind, call the Judge of Play immediately.
19. The Judge of Play shall make all rulings and all decisions may be subject to appeal to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.

20. No substitutions are allowed within seven (7) days of the event except in extreme circumstances, such as a deceased bowler, a death in the immediate family, or a disabling injury. Please contact the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association for any further rulings.

21. **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST SCORES**

a) A Tournament game(s) or frame(s) within a game, which is irretrievably lost in the scoring process, is null and void. The game(s) or frame(s) must be re-bowled unless one of the following conditions is met:

- i) Scores of any players that have been lost can be documented.
- ii) The team captains/coaches can completely agree on one or more scores lost.
- iii) The Tournament Committee rules that the game(s) or frame(s) are not to be re-bowled.

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

22. **INTERRUPTED GAME OR SERIES**

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

**ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION
ALL TIME TOURNAMENT RECORDS**

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2008	Barb Hamilton, Central Ontario	450
	2009	Brenda Walters, Hamilton	450
High Four Games	1999	Sandi Dickson, York Simcoe	1373
High Five Games	2000	Brenda Pankoff, Middlesex Elgin	1605
High Eight Games	1999	Sandi Dickson, York Simcoe	2568
High Nine Games	2007	Connie Ward, Niagara Peninsula	2700
High Ten Games	1999	Sandi Dickson, York Simcoe	2967
High Thirteen Games	2014	Karole McDonnell, Tri-County	3747
High Fourteen Games	2009	Kristi Lampman, Tri-County	3722
High Fifteen Games	2003	Brenda Walters, Hamilton	4181

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1965	Joe Chiki, Niagara Peninsula	450
	1986	Al Snow, Huronia	450
	2002	Terry Little, Western Ontario	450
	2012	Bob MacDonald, Kawartha Lakes	450
High Four Games	1988	Jerry Willcock, Windsor	1438
High Five Games	1990	Al Hardiman, Tri-County	1727
High Eight Games	2009	Jeff Young, Hamilton	2641
High Nine Games	2009	Jeff Young, Hamilton	2949
High Ten Games	1986	Bill Hill, Lake Ontario	3278
High Thirteen Games	2011	Brad Rowland, York Simcoe	3648
High Fourteen Games	2009	Jeff Young, Hamilton	4267
High Fifteen Games	2003	Yvan Ouellet, Tri-County	4202

LADIES' TEAMS

High Single Game	1985	Guelph Dist. Association	1604
High Four Games	2002	Central Ontario Association	5455
High Five Games	1988	Hamilton Association	6696
High Eight Games	2010	Tri-County Association	10530
High Nine Games	2002	Hamilton Association	11843
High Ten Games	2004	Hamilton Association	12960
High Thirteen Games	2010	Tri-County Association	16694
High Fourteen Games	2006	Central Ontario Association	17562
High Fifteen Games	1988	Hamilton Association	19357

MEN'S TEAMS

High Single Game	1993	Ontario Durham Association	1614
High Four Games	1993	Toronto Association	5681
High Five Games	1993	Toronto Association	7101
High Eight Games	1984	Niagara Peninsula Association	11175

High Nine Games	2009	Hamilton Association	12541
High Ten Games	1984	Niagara Peninsula Association	13831
High Thirteen Games	2010	Hamilton Association	17125
High Fourteen Games	2009	Hamilton Association	19243
High Fifteen Games	2004	Ottawa Valley Association	19363

MIXED TEAMS

High Single Game	1994	Toronto Association	1562
High Four Games	2008	Central Ontario Association	5504
High Five Games	1985	York West Association	6746
High Eight Games	2003	Hamilton Association	10515
High Nine Games	2008	Central Ontario Association	11845
High Ten Games	1985	York West Association	13171
High Twelve Games	2013	Middlesex Elgin Association	14226
High Thirteen Games	2011	Tri-County Association	15672
High Fourteen Games	2008	Central Ontario Association	18090
High Fifteen Games	1988	Hamilton Association	19008

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS**LADIES' INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2006	Diane Martin, Western Ontario	350
High Four Games	2009	Ann Marie Lasek, Western Ontario	1063
High Five Games	2006	Kushal Murphy, York Simcoe	1339
High Six Games	2005	Marney Galawray, Grand River	1615
High Seven Games	2007	Diane Martin, Western Ontario	1772
High Eight Games	2012	Wilma Vanderzwaag, Niagara Peninsula	2076
High Nine Games	2005	Marney Galawray, Grand River	2206
High Ten Games	2007	Diane Martin, Western Ontario	2540
High Twelve Games	2013	Gail Matis, Western Ontario	3051
High Thirteen Games	2014	Jen Donovan, Central Ontario	3239

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2009	Patrick Mooney, Hamilton	393
High Four Games	2006	Fraser Hambly, Metro Toronto	1207
High Five Games	2014	Ken Oldridge, Western Ontario	1522
High Six Games	2014	Ken Oldridge, Western Ontario	1738
High Seven Games	2008	Bernie Menard, Ottawa Valley	2051
High Eight Games	2012	Don Betts, Niagara Peninsula	2396
High Nine Games	2005	Bob Jones, Central Ontario	2216
High Ten Games	2008	Bernie Menard, Ottawa Valley	2942
High Twelve Games	2012	Don Betts, Niagara Peninsula	3401
High Thirteen Games	2008	Bernie Menard, Ottawa Valley	3600

MIXED TEAMS

High Single Game	2012	Niagara Peninsula Association	1466
High Three Games	2008	Grand River Association	3776
High Four Games	2007	Grand River Association	4857
High Five Games	2012	Niagara Peninsula Association	6068

High Six Games	2005	Grand River Association	6824
High Seven Games	2007	Grand River Association	8525
High Eight Games	2012	Niagara Peninsula Association	10085
High Nine Games	2005	Central Ontario Association	9953
High Ten Games	2008	Ottawa Valley Association	12097
High Twelve Games	2012	Niagara Peninsula Association	14792
High Thirteen Games	2008	Ottawa Valley Association	15439

EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2010	Wayne Royer, Eastside	435
High Three Games	2010	Wayne Royer, Eastside	989
High Four Games	2015	Charlie Williamson, Bradford	1087
High POA Three Games	2010	Wayne Royer, Eastside	+368
High POA Four Games	2014	Jamie Collee, Kingsway	+294

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2013	Evalina Rutter, Trenton	315
High Three Games	2013	Marina Long, Bradford	788
High Four Games	2014	Nancy Fleming, Metro Toronto	1013
High POA Three Games	2011	Lisa Mariani, York Simcoe	+235
High POA Four Games	2015	Deb Finzgar, Dickson	+227

HIGH-LOW DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1997	Gary Huston, Clinton	391
High Three Games	1996	Kevin McGill, Lindsay	1005
High Four Games	2014	Shawn Coombs, Metro Toronto	1043

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1990	Linda Charron, Olympia	398
High Three Games	1990	Linda Charron, Olympia	931
High Four Games	2014	Morgan Glover, Middlesex Elgin	911
Team POA Three Games	1985	Doug Dean & Ron Sguigna Guelph & Dist. Association	+397
Team POA Four Games	2015	Andrew Lampman & Dan Murray Tri-County Association	+327

PROVINCIAL TRIPLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2015	Timothy Cook, Bradford	379
High Three Games	2010	Bob MacDonald, Kawartha Lakes	852
High Four Games	2015	Roy Belanger, Hillside	1093

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2007	Michele Boulter, Niagara Peninsula	331
High Three Games	2007	Michele Boulter, Niagara Peninsula	823
High Four Games	2015	Kathy Rainey, Huronia	1018
High Team Score (With Handicap)	2007	Huronia Association Kim Ellerbeck Kent Ellerbeck Mike Daigle	2798
High Team Score Three Games	2010	Kawartha Lakes Association Bob MacDonald Claude MacDonald Ivan Nottingham	2167
High Team Score Four Games	2014	York Simcoe Association Diana Fendley Michelle Kyte Matthew Bond	2578
Team POA Three Games	2012	Tri-County Association Andrew Lampman Travis McKay Jim Versteeg	+413
Team POA Four Games	2015	Central Ontario Association John Brown Cynthia Brown Aidan Brown	+701

ONTARIO BOOSTER CLUB 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1998	Don Snutch, Trenton	395
High Three Games	1993	Len Martin, York West	895
High Four Games	2015	Brent Furtney, Mike's	1050
High Five Games	1995	Gerry Roeder, Grand River	1426
High POA Four Games	2015	Dave Claxton, Ajax	+198
High POA Five Games	1995	Rob Brown, Cobourg	+484

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2015	Sarah Gorman, Metro Toronto	371
High Three Games	1989	Sandy Schairer, St. Clair	838
High Four Games	2015	Sarah Gorman, Metro Toronto	1065
High Five Games	1989	Sandy Schairer, St. Clair	1304
High POA Four Games	2015	Sarah Gorman, Metro Toronto	+165
High POA Five Games	1990	Barb Robertson, York Simcoe	+327

**ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions)
SINGLES AND DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

SENIOR DIVISION – MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2014	George Vamos, Victoria	365
High Three Games	1995	Gord Coulighan, Central Ontario	910
High Pins Over Average	1982	Dave Dowling, Central Ontario	+281

SENIOR DIVISION – LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1983	Eileen Noonan, Niagara Peninsula	311
High Three Games	1985	Doris Cross, Toronto	771
High Pins Over Average	2012	Betty Buffam, Garrison	+192
Senior Team	2014	George Vamos & Margaret Hudson	+266
Pins Over Average		Victoria Association	

JUNIOR-SENIOR DIVISION – MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2007	Bruce Bible, Kempview	339
High Three Games	2004	Terry Chapman, Hastings	823
High Pins Over Average	2012	Bernard Power, Lindsay	+203

JUNIOR-SENIOR DIVISION – LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2013	Laurel Laughton, Mike's	313
High Three Games	2013	Laurel Laughton, Mike's	754
High Pins Over Average	2005	Eileen Urben, Kingsway	+205
Junior-Senior Team	2006	Bill Millar & Marlene Petruzzella	+284
Pins Over Average		Kingsway Association	

HOLIDAY CLASSIC 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2007	Joe Deano, Huronia	399
High Three Games	2010	Mike Greenlee, Bay of Quinte	897
High Four Games	2010	Mike Greenlee, Bay of Quinte	1155
High Five Games	1974	Thomas McLelland, Scarborough	1363
High POA Four Games	2010	Jim McCabe, Western Ontario	+317
High POA Five Games	1996	Kent Hilpert, Molesworth	+316

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2006	Jennifer Petrtyl, Huronia	353
High Three Games	1993	Bev Childs, Ajax	951
High Four Games	2013	Lori Zammit, Central Ontario	1043
High Five Games	1993	Bev Childs, Ajax	1458
High POA Four Games	2014	Chris McArdle, Ontario Durham	+324
High POA Five Games	1983	Kelly McDonnell, Central Ontario	+386

MEN'S TEAMS

High POA Single Game	1996	York West Association	+331
High POA Three Games	1981	Ontario Durham Association	+343
High POA Five Games	1996	York West Association	+832

LADIES' TEAMS

High POA Single Game	1981	Team #2 – Hamilton Association	+164
High POA Three Games	1981	Team #2 – Hamilton Association	+384
High POA Five Games	1980	Bluewater Association	+640

MIXED TEAMS

High POA Single Game	1993	Maple Hills Association	+305
High POA Three Games	2012	Cobourg Association	+527
High POA Four Games	2014	Tri County Association	+655
High POA Five Games	1984	Huronia Association	+678

YOUTH CHALLENGE/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2012	Connor Groot, Grand River	415
High Three Games	2008	Brett Bartlett, Ottawa Valley	912
High Four Games	1974	Brian Gagnon, Sudbury	1270
High Five Games	2003	Justin Lowery, Ottawa Valley	1567
High Six Games	2003	Justin Lowery, Ottawa Valley	1801
High Seven Games	2008	Brett Bartlett, Ottawa Valley	2068
High Eight Games	2004	Jeff England, Ontario Durham	2016

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1998	Marlena Brabant, Huronia	420
High Three Games	2010	Nicole Spruyt, Middlesex Elgin	1005
High Four Games	2010	Nicole Spruyt, Middlesex Elgin	1252
High Five Games	2010	Nicole Spruyt, Middlesex Elgin	1455
High Six Games	2010	Nicole Spruyt, Middlesex Elgin	1758
High Seven Games	2010	Nicole Spruyt, Middlesex Elgin	2005
High Eight Games	2004	Meghan Blewitt, Central Ontario	1920

MEN'S TEAMS

High Single Game	1979	York West Association	1476
High Three Games	2014	Hamilton Association	3623
High Four Games	2008	Ottawa Valley Association	5085
High Five Games	1995	Ottawa Valley Association	6282
High Six Games	2008	Ottawa Valley Association	7382
High Seven Games	2008	Ottawa Valley Association	8620
High Eight Games	2004	Ontario Durham Association	9070

LADIES' TEAMS

High Single Game	1998	Hamilton Association	1404
High Three Games	2011	Middlesex Elgin Association	3375
High Four Games	1998	Central Ontario Association	5060
High Five Games	1991	Lake Ontario Association	6155
High Six Games	2003	Central Ontario Association	6982
High Seven Games	2008	Tri-County Association	7887
High Eight Games	2004	Tri-County Association	8747

MIXED TEAMS

High Single Game	1984	Hamilton Association	1394
High Three Games	2013	Huronia Association	3428
High Four Games	1985	York West Association	4935
High Five Games	1996	Hamilton Association	6202
High Six Games	2010	Tri-County Association	6877
High Seven Games	2006	Tri-County Association	7945
High Eight Games	2004	Central Ontario Association	8895

SHARE THE WEALTH TOURNAMENT**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2008	Pavo Istvanic, Central Ontario	303
High Three Games	2008	Jason McKenzie, Hastings	742
Pins Over Average	2008	Wayne Forth, Huronia	+210

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2009	Amanda Sine, Astra	289
High Three Games	2009	Amanda Sine, Astra	748
Pins Over Average	2008	Elizabeth Peake, Brighton	+132

LEAGUE EXECUTIVE 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	1977	Henry Pachulec, Hamilton	410
High Three Games	2002	Terry Little, Playdium	999
Pins Over Average	1993	Art Hiemstra, Towne	+280

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1985	Elsie Edmondson, Conestoga	387
High Three Games	1985	Elsie Edmondson, Conestoga	930
Pins Over Average	1985	Elsie Edmondson, Conestoga	+300
High POA President	2006	Jules Haspect, Orleans	+277
High POA Secretary	1985	Elsie Edmondson, Conestoga	+300
High POA Treasurer	1993	Art Hiemstra, Towne	+280

ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	1993	Harold Stoddart, Astra	416
High Three Games	1993	Chris Moore, Central Ontario	970
High Four Games	1985	Ron Abbott, Huronia	1128
Pins Over Average	2005	Kevin Brabender, Ridgetown	+245

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1991	Michelle Caudle, St. Thomas	366
High Three Games	1997	Amy Fecteau, Ottawa Valley	915
High Four Games	1985	Marj Moore, Bluewater	983
Pins Over Average	1989	Marilyn Ross, Astra	+245

STRIKE IT BIG TOURNAMENT**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2005	Greg Cotton, Orangeville	318
High Three Games	2006	Danny Pike, Central Ontario	824
Pins Over Average	2006	Chris Cole, Kawartha Lakes	+205

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2005	Krista Mitchell, Garrison	285
High Three Games	2005	Christina Wheatley, North End	701
Pins Over Average	2004	Tabatha Bates, Kawartha Lakes	+200

PROVINCIAL 5 PIN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	1994	Daniel Handson, 1000 Lakes	391
High Three Games	1984	Barry Peer, Hamilton	869
High Five Games	1991	Stan Salisbury, Central Ontario	1460
Pins Over Average	1991	Stan Salisbury, Central Ontario	+485

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1985	Wendy Martin, Hamilton	365
High Three Games	1984	Pat Jepson, Central Ontario	828
High Five Games	1991	Cathy Ahearn, Guelph & District	1194
Pins Over Average	1991	Linda Hoskin, Hamilton	+283
Team Pins Over Average	1991	Helmet Washer - Bol-O-Drome Lanes Hamilton Association Ray Cooper Tammy Feher Peter Gold Linda Hoskin Richard Yates Lisa Runions	+761

ONTARIO \$10,000 SHOOT-OUT**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2004	David Pryce Jr., Huronia	369
High Three Games	2006	Gary Prosper, Victoria	864
High Four Games	2006	Gary Prosper, Victoria	1048
Pins Over Average	2006	Joe Jenkins, Blue Mountain	+255

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2005	Amanda Coates, Trenton	302
High Three Games	2006	Michele Boulter, Niagara Peninsula	794
High Four Games	2006	Michele Boulter, Niagara Peninsula	991
Pins Over Average	2004	Donna Pilcher, Lindsay	+175

TRIPLE PLAY CHALLENGE**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	1997	Rick Gaudet, Thorold	346
High Three Games	1997	Rick Gaudet, Thorold	811

LADIES' INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	1997	Mary Jordan, Elmira	311
High Three Games	1996	Wendy Jackson, Grand River	714
High Team Score:	1996	Scarborough Association Bev Robertson Carol Reader Robert Fitton	2314

ULTIMATE BOWLING CHALLENGE**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL**

High Single Game	2001	Rick Gaudet, Thorold	338
High Three Games	2001	Rick Gaudet, Thorold	894
Pins Over Average	2001	Rick Gaudet, Thorold	+237

LADIES INDIVIDUAL

High Single Game	2002	Ina Skillings, Tri County	378
High Three Games	2002	Jen Galbraith, Tri County	808
Pins Over Average	2002	Alexis Dewolfe, Niagara Peninsula	+214

TOURNAMENT WINNERS 2014/2015 SEASON

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ladies' Singles: **CHRISTINA HERBERT**, Ontario Durham Association

Men's Singles: **TERRY LITTLE**, Western Ontario Association

MEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONS - HAMILTON ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **MITCH DAVIES**
MARTIN TALBOT
MATT HOUSTON
DAVID BENTLEY
AARON DEPOORTER
ERIC MILNE
BOB WALTERS - COACH

LADIES' TEAM CHAMPIONS - NIAGARA PENINSULA ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **TRACY SMITH**
RIEKIE DUTCHER
VALERIE VALLEE
REBECCA NIEUWOLD
WILMA VANDERZWAAG
VICKY ROBINS
KEVIN SMITH - COACH

MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONS - TRI COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **WILL DANIEL**
CAMERON FLANNIGAN
PAUL ST. PIERRE
ELIZABETH NICOLL
SHANNON BOYER
KAROLE MCDONNELL
JOHN BERNARD - COACH

ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Ladies' Singles: **GAIL MATIS**, Western Ontario Association

Senior Men's Singles: **JOHN MATTIOLI**, Central Ontario Association

TOURNAMENT WINNERS 2014/2015 SEASON

SENIORS TEAM CHAMPIONS - CENTRAL ONTARIO ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **WES THOMPSON**
 JOHN MATTIOLI
 JEFF BELANGER
 JEN DONOVAN
 ROSE FERRACCI
 JAMES DONOVAN - COACH

EXECUTIVES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Singles Champion: **DEB FINZGAR**, Dickson Association

HIGH-LOW DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1st Place:	ANDREW LAMPMAN & DAN MURRAY Tri County Association
2nd Place:	LINDA SCOTT & AMANDA BEMISTER Central Ontario Association
3rd Place:	ANDY RAINY & GERALD ESPER Huronia Association
4th Place:	DARYL BERGERON & DENISE BEDARD Orleans Association

NOTE: The 3rd & 4th place teams also represented ONTARIO at the Inter-Provincial Championships

ONTARIO BOOSTER CLUB 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Singles Champion: **DAVE CLAXTON**, Ajax Association

ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions) SINGLES AND DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Men's Senior Singles:	JIM CAMERON , Lindsay Association
Ladies' Senior Singles:	ELSIE POWER , Lindsay Association
Senior Doubles Champions:	JIM CAMERON & ELSIE POWER Lindsay Association
Men's Jr.-Sr. Singles:	KENT ELLERBECK , Huronia Association
Ladies' Jr.-Sr. Singles:	BRENDA CARTER , Kingsway Association

TOURNAMENT WINNERS 2014/2015 SEASON

Junior-Senior
Doubles Champions: **KENT ELLERBECK & ZENA LOCKE**
Huronia Association

HOLIDAY CLASSIC 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

HILLSIDE 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **BRYAN ROBILLARD**
ELIZABETH JANSEN
SHARI ARCHAMBAULT
ANNETTE MALONEY
LINDA NAULT
TAMMY COTE - COACH

PROVINCIAL TRIPLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

CENTRAL ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **JOHN BROWN**
CYNTHIA BROWN
AIDAN BROWN

YOUTH CHALLENGE/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES

Ladies' Singles: **LAUREN SZUCKI**, Western Ontario Association
Men's Singles: **SCOTT HAMILTON**, Ontario Durham Association (Tie for 1st)
ZACHARY WEIGEL, Grand River Association (Tie for 1st)

MEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONS - OTTAWA VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **EVAN DAVIS**
TYLER ROBINSON
THOMAS FLARO
GABRIEL CROTEAU
TREVOR BEAULIEU
BARRY MACADAM - COACH

TOURNAMENT WINNERS 2014/2015 SEASON

LADIES' TEAM CHAMPIONS - CENTRAL ONTARIO ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **SARAH STYLES**
 MADISON BISHOP
 REILLY CAMERON
 KRISTIN KEENAN
 BRITTANY WATSON
 BOB BEAUCAGE - COACH

MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONS - GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION

Team Members: **ZACHARY WEIGEL**
 ZACHARY VETERS
 NATALIE OESCH
 CASSIE FENZ
 JONATHON HOWIE
 GEORGE TUGHAN - COACH

2015 YOUTH CHALLENGE ONTARIO NATIONAL TEAM

Team Members: **SCOTT HAMILTON**, Ontario Durham Association
 ZACHARY WEIGEL, Grand River Association
 JACOB BES, Hamilton Association
 LAUREN SZUCKI, Western Ontario Association
 KAYLA LARSEN, Ottawa Valley Association
 CAYLIE BUTCHER, Grand River Association
 MARILYN GORDON - COACH (Central Ontario)
 FRANK LADOUCEUR - COACH (Ottawa Valley)

CANADIAN YOUTH CHALLENGE 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**MIXED TEAM – CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND**

1 ST Place	MANITOBA	26 Points
2 ND Place	QUEBEC	26 Points
3 RD Place	ALBERTA	22.5 Points
4 TH Place	NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR	21.5 Points

MIXED TEAM – CONSOLATION ROUND

1 ST Place	SASKATCHEWAN	38 Points
2 ND Place	NORTHERN ONTARIO	32.5 Points
3 RD Place	ONTARIO	31 Points
4 TH Place	BRITISH COLUMBIA	26 Points
5 TH Place	NOVA SCOTIA	20 Points
6 TH Place	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	15 Points
7 TH Place	NORTHWEST TERRITORIES	5.5 Points

ALLSTARS/SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**LADIES:**

MANITOBA
 NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR
 ALBERTA
 QUEBEC
 NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR

JENNIFER DEVENNEY
 COURTNEY LUCAS
 JULIE OROBKO
 KELYANNE BEAUCHAMP
 JESSICA KENNEDY

MEN:

SASKATCHEWAN
 ALBERTA
 QUEBEC
 ALBERTA
 MANITOBA

AUSTIN BLAIS
 AMAN UBHI
 FREDERIC MARTIN
 TYLER TYTGAT
 BRIAN SIEDLESKI JR.