

TRUCA\$h HOLIDAY CLASSIC 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS**F O R M A T**

The TruCa\$h Holiday Classic 5 Pin Championships consists of four (4) steps:

- **LEAGUE ROUND**
- **DC/HOUSE ROUND**
- **REGIONAL FINALS**
- **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers and coaches 19 years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31, 2004**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. Entry deadline shall be **DECEMBER 5, 2004**.
3. Entry fee shall be \$5.00 per bowler (GST included).
4. Any bowler having participated in week one of the League Round that wishes to re-enter competition during the second week will be permitted to do so provided they pay an additional entry fee of \$5.00 (GST included).
5. Format in all rounds will be based on "Pins-Over-Average".
6. **FLAT SCORES** shall be used in all rounds. **(NO HANDICAP)**
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 DC/House Round, only if scheduling permits.
 - b) The phrase "if scheduling permits", grants permission for a bowler to compete in more than one DC/House Round 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 DC/House Round, but scheduling does not permit them to bowl on both teams, must bowl on the team from the league in which their average is highest as recorded in the Zone Average Book. Bowlers with no average recorded in the Zone Average Book must use their current league average as of the specified average date to determine which league they will represent at the DC/House Round.

- d) Bowlers who qualify to bowl on more than one (1) team to advance to the Regional Finals must bowl only on the team from the league in which their average is highest as recorded in the Zone Average Book. Bowlers with no average recorded in the Zone Average Book must use their current league average as of the specified average date to determine which league they will represent at the Regional Finals. No bowler can compete on more than one (1) team at a Regional Final, and no bowler can compete in two (2) separate Regional Finals.
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.
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 - a) A substitute bowler for the DC/House Round must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced and must be the runner-up bowler from the League Round. League executives shall go down the list of participants in order of finish until a substitute is found.
 - b) After the DC/House Round, a substitute bowler must come from the same league as the bowler being replaced, and must come from the highest placing team in the preceding roll-off, if two or more teams competed from that league. If only one team competed from that league, the substitute bowler must be the runner-up bowler from the League Round.
 - 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 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). 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 damages to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 10 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.

DC/HOUSE ROUND

1. The DC/House Rounds shall consist of three (3) games.
2. Bowling centres qualifying to conduct their own DC/House Round (***105 paid entries or more***) may schedule their roll-off between **JANUARY 2, 2005** and **JANUARY 30, 2005**.

3. Bowling centres which do not qualify to conduct their own DC/House Round will be combined with another centre(s), and the roll-off will be bowled on **JANUARY 30, 2005**.
4. A minimum of 105 paid entries are required to conduct a DC/House Round.
5. Each team shall consist of five (5) bowlers.
6. In the event of a tie for first (1st) place or any other advancing position, a one (1) game roll-off will be required to determine the winner. In the event of a tie or ties for any other position, 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.
7. If a Decentralized Association or Bowling Centre qualifies to conduct its own DC/House Round, all entrants must use the following criteria for determining averages:

Average Book: Bowlers must use their highest league average in that Zone, as recorded in the Zone Average Book.

Non-Average Book: Bowlers with no average recorded in the Zone Average Book, must use their highest league average from the DC or House in which they are competing up to and including **DECEMBER 5, 2004** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

If a combined roll-off is conducted (***one in which more than one association or bowling centre participates***), all entrants must use the following criteria for determining averages:

Average Book: Bowlers must use their highest league average in that Zone, as recorded in the Zone Average Book.

Non-Average Book: Bowlers with no average recorded in the Zone Average Book, must use their highest league average in that Zone Association up to and including **DECEMBER 5, 2004** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

8. Winning teams shall be declared on total team pins-over-average for the three (3) games.
9. Teams shall advance from the DC/House Round to the Regional Finals based on the following example:

EXAMPLE:

105 to 200 Entries	1 Team Advances
201 to 300 Entries	2 Teams Advance
301 to 400 Entries	3 Teams Advance
401 to 500 Entries	4 Teams Advance and so on

10. For any combined DC/House Rounds, only one (1) team will advance to the Regional Finals.
11. Only the team finishing **FIRST** in the DC/House Round, regardless of how many teams advance to the Regional Finals, shall be declared "House Round Champions".

12. Missing bowlers in the DC/House Round shall be allowed 95% of their average for any games missed. Any absent bowler will be replaced for the Regional Finals if their team advances.
13. All teams advancing to the Regional Finals, must have a coach with full Level 1 Certification as of **NOVEMBER 30, 2004**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. **(See Coaching Policy Page 1-12)**