



# York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

A Division of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

## TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

### FORMAT

The Tournament of Champions consists of two (2) steps:

- **ZONE QUALIFYING ROUND**
- **ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### GENERAL RULES

1. Open to all bowlers **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2018**, and who are members of the York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
2. All Zone Round winners from the following Pins Over Average tournaments shall qualify and advance to the Tournament of Champions Zone Finals. Tournaments included are Executive, High-Low Doubles, Holiday Classic, Triples and Booster.
3. The Tournament of Champions Zone Championships will be based on Pins over Average.
4. **ZONE QUALIFYING ROUND POLICY:**
  - a) Bowlers who qualify as "Zone Round" winners and who qualify to bowl in the Provincial Championships of any tournament listed in point #2 above will be eligible to bowl in the Tournament of Champions Zone Championships, unless they are declared Provincial Champions and win a trip at any Provincial Tournament.
  - b) If a bowler who qualifies as a "Zone Round" winner in more than one of the above listed tournaments in #2 above, will only be allowed to bowl once in the Tournament of Champions Zone Championships.
  - c) All bowlers who qualify from any "team" event will bowl as singles in the Zone Championships.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.

## ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. All bowlers competing in the Zone Finals must be a member of the York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and be **18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER** as of **DECEMBER 31, 2018 with an established average in the York Simcoe, current season year-end Average Book.**
2. The Zone Championships shall be bowled on **MAY 6, 2019** in a centre designated by the York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
3. If a bowler is unable to participate in the Provincial Championships, there will be no replacement allowed.
4. The Zone Championships shall consist of three (3) games, and the winner will be declared on a total pins-over-average basis.
5. Any late bowlers shall start to bowl and count only from the time of arrival, regardless of the reason.
6. The winning bowler will be declared our Zone Champion and will receive a one (1) week trip for two (2) to a Sun Destination. **Trips have no cash value and must be taken as awarded.**
7. In the event that our Zone Champion is awarded a trip, as a result of winning a Provincial Tournament, AFTER this tournament, then they will forfeit this trip and the runner-up will be awarded the trip.
8. In the event of a tie for first (1<sup>st</sup>) place, a one (1) game roll-off will be held between the tied bowlers to determine the winner.
9. In the event of a tie or ties for any other position, the bowler beating their average by the most pins over or least pins under, in the last game, shall receive the higher placing. If a tie still exists, using the same rule, the scores from the preceding game shall be used to break the tie.
10. Lead-off bowlers shall not start the next frame in any game until the anchor bowler on their lane, has finished the prior frame.
11. 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 and or bowling centre.
12. All bowlers must initial their lane sheet after each game before it leaves the score stand. This acknowledges that all scores are correct. No changes can be made to the score after it has been initialled and leaves the score stand.
13. There shall be a warm-up prior at the start of the event.
14. All games shall start when the Judge of Play gives the starting signal.
15. The lane draw is pre-drawn under the auspices of the York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
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. 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 York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
19. All Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules are in effect.