

SPECIAL TEAM BAKERS CHALLENGE

13 March 2016

Venue: Sunway Mega Lanes, Sunway Pyramid

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. **Eligibility:** This Tournament is open to all current and paid up members of Affiliates of the MTBC.
2. **Team Composition:** Each team shall comprise of a 4-member mixed team of **no less than 1 lady bowler, and not more than 1 National Elite or National Youth Bowler.**
3. **Entry Fees:** All entries must be submitted with the relevant fees. No refund will be allowed.
4. **Registration Fees:** RM200.00 per team. **Limited to 48 paid-up teams.**
5. **Tournament Date & Time:** The tournament will be held directly after the Interstate Championship opening ceremony. Check-In time for teams shall be at 7.30pm. Roll-Off will be at 9:00pm on 13th March 2016. Centre Clock is the official time piece.
6. **Substitutions:** Substitutions may be allowed provided it is reported to one of the Tournament Directors or their Assistants and duly approved by either at least 15 minutes before the time of play.
7. **Format of Competition:** The Special Team Bakers Challenge consists of 4 bowlers bowling in a "Baker's Format". "Bakers Format" is a system of play where bowlers bowl one frame each after one another in a game. As such, bowlers bowl only 2 or 3 frames in a game. The 1st bowler in the team will bowl frames no.1, no.5 and no.9, while the 2nd bowler in the team will bowl frames no.2, no. 6 and no.10, and so forth.

Each team shall bowl a total of 5 games. The team with the highest total of pinfalls in 5 games will be declared the winner.

Teams that tie on scores after 5 games shall share the position and divide the prize money, if any, equally. E.g. If 4th and 5th place ties, both would be declared no.4 and the prize money for 4th and 5th shall be combined and divided equally to both teams.

The top 2 teams after 5 games will bowl a 1-game final to decide the winner.

8. **Prize Fund:** The Special Team Bakers Challenge prizes shall be as below:-

Position	Prize
Champion	RM 2,000.00
1 st Runner Up	RM 1,000.00
2 nd Runner Up	RM 800.00
4 th Place	RM 700.00

5 th Place	RM 600.00
6 th Place	RM 500.00
7 th Place	RM 400.00
8 th Place	RM 300.00
9 th Place	RM 200.00
10 th Place	RM 100.00

9. **Verification of Scores:** It is the responsibility of each bowler and/or the team captain to verify the correctness of each game bowled by signing the official master score sheet. Once signed, the scores shall stand, unless otherwise decided by the Tournament Committee.

In the event of any interruptions caused by power failure, the following procedure shall be followed:

- a) Any part of a game that cannot be recalled will be rebowled from the first frame.
- b) If more than one game cannot be recalled, the series shall be declared null and void and a fresh series be rescheduled.
- c) If only one frame is missing, the bowler shall continue from the last frame bowled.

10. **Registration of Bowling Balls Illegality and Disqualification:**

No registration will be carried out during the Championship. All participants must ensure their bowling balls used have been checked as legal for weight and other specifications. The onus is on the bowler to ensure that all bowling balls he/she uses fall within specification as required by WTBA. The Tournament Directors reserves the right to check at random, bowling balls used by any bowler in the Championships.

If at any time a bowler is found to have used an illegal ball, he/she shall be disqualified from the entire Tournament and stripped of all his/her medals or positions standing.

11. **Cheating:** Any bowler found guilty of cheating at scores, averages eligibility or on any other counts will be immediately disqualified from the entire Tournament and reported to the Disciplinary Committee of the MTBC for further action. He/she will also be stripped of his/her winnings and positions standing and be asked to return to one of the Tournament Directors any awards that may have already been given to him/her. When in doubts, bowlers are reminded to consult with the Tournament Directors on any issue.

12. **Bowlers Attire:**

- a) Bowlers are requested to be dressed for their events with a sense of decorum.
- b) Bowlers are not permitted to wear the following:-
 - i) Men Bowlers – Short, Jeans, Singlet, and Cap.
 - ii) Women Bowlers – Jeans & Singlet.

13. **Slow Bowling:** Bowlers who are in readiness to step on the approach to deliver a ball, shall have the following rights and obligations.

- a) They may claim right of way over anyone moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately on their left.
- b) They may claim right of way over anyone moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately on their right.
- c) Players shall be ready to bowl when it is their turn should not delay to go to the approach, if a lane immediately adjacent to them on the left and right side is clear.
- d) Penalty shall be imposed to bowler/s who is four (4) frames (For Singles, Doubles and Masters Finals), and two (2) frames (for Team Event) slower from the leader not counting the end pair of lanes. The penalty will be to forfeit the score in the next frame.

14. **Protests:**

- a) Scores: Must be submitted in writing to one of the Tournament Directors or their Assistants before prize presentation. No protests made after Prize Presentation will be entertained.
- b) Foul: Must be brought to the attention of the lane marshal before the delivery of the next ball. No complaints made after the 2nd ball has been bowled shall be entertained.

15. **Altering of Bowling Ball Surface**

Altering the surface of bowling balls is allowed in a designated area during the official practice session, during the practice session immediately preceding a competition round, and between games.

A player may not alter the surface of the bowling ball during a game.

16. **Special Notes:**

- a) Bowlers are requested to refrain from swearing on the lanes.
- b) Bowlers shall restrict themselves to their specific lanes and exercise consideration for all participants.
- c) Bowlers wearing soft rubber soles on their non-sliding foot may be barred from further bowling subject, to the scrutiny of the Tournament Directors.
- d) The Tournament Directors reserve the right to accept or reject any entry they deem fit.
- e) Any matters arising and not covered in these Tournament Rules will be decided by the Tournament Chairman or the Tournament Directors, whose decision shall be final subject only to appeal to the MTBC Council. Such appeal should be made in writing and within 48 hours of the decision by any of the above.