



SPORTEXCEL – NSC – MILO – MTBC – TENPIN BOWLING JUNIOR CIRCUIT 2019

1. Title of Competition

The competition shall be known as “SPORTEXCEL-NSC-MILO-MTBC Tenpin Bowling Junior Circuit 2019”.

2. Organizer

The owner of the Junior Circuit is SportExcel. The organizer of the Junior Circuit is Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress.

3. Objective of Competition

The objective of the competition is to promote the sport of Tenpin Bowling amongst the youth and to provide a platform for identification of talents.

4. Registration

All bowlers who wish to take part in any leg of the Junior Circuit must register themselves with the organizers. They are to fill in Form MTBCJCREG 1 and submit them to MTBC together with a **registration fee of RM30.00 (Malaysian Ringgit Thirty Only)**. The registration fee is charged on a yearly basis. All forms must be endorsed by the respective state tenpin bowling associations before submission to MTBC 30 days before the start of the Junior Circuit. Late submissions of forms may be allowed with acceptable reasons by the Tournament Committee. Each bowler will be assigned a unique registration number which will be used throughout the bowler’s participation in the Junior Circuit.

Bowlers who have been issued a number during past Junior Circuits shall continue using the same number.

5. Categories

There will be 6 categories in each leg. The categories are:

- 5.1 Boys U-12
- 5.2 Girls U-12
- 5.3 Boys Graded
- 5.4 Girls Graded
- 5.5 Boys Open
- 5.6 Girls Open

6. Eligibility

- 6.1.1 The Junior Circuit is opened to bowlers born in the year 2001 and after.
- 6.1.2 Bowlers born in the year 2007 and after may compete in the U-12 category.
- 6.1.3 All bowlers must be paid up members of a state tenpin bowling association.
- 6.1.4 Bowlers can bowl in only one category. Bowlers who have bowled in one category cannot change to another during the circuit year.
- 6.1.5 Bowlers may compete in a higher category, but not lower.
- 6.1.6 Boys who have an MTBC average of 190 and above must compete in the Open category while the rest (below 190) will compete in the Graded category.
- 6.1.7 Girls who have an MTBC average of 180 and above must compete in the Open category while the rest (below 180) will compete in the Graded category.
- 6.1.8 Bowlers born in the year 2001, 2002 and 2003 must compete in the Open category.
- 6.1.9 Bowlers, who have won 1st place in the Graded Division the previous years in any of the legs, must compete in the Open Division the following year.
- 6.1.10 Members of the current National Youth Team are not allowed to take part in the Junior Circuit.

7. Participation in a Leg

7.1.1 All entries for each leg are to be submitted to the organizers at MTBC's office through the state associations or state coordinators at least 10 working days before the scheduled leg. (*Working days here is defined as Monday to Friday and exclude public holidays*).

7.1.2 The fees payable in cash, and non-refundable, before the start of a leg, to the organizers are as follows:

Open & Graded categories:	RM100.00 (West Malaysia)
U-12 categories:	RM70.00 (West Malaysia)
Open & Graded categories:	RM130.00 (East Malaysia)
U12 categories:	RM100.00 (East Malaysia)

8. Schedule

	Place	Date	Venue
1	Penang	24 – 27 January	Mega Bowling Centre, Prai
2	Melaka	28 Feb – 3 Mar	MIBC, Ayer Keroh, Melaka
3	Terengganu	4 – 7 April	Coral Crown, Terengganu
4	Perak	20 – 23 June	Ampang Superbowl, Ipoh
5	Johor	18 – 21 July	Lite Superbowl, Tmn Pelangi, JB
6	Selangor	15 – 18 August	Ampang Superbowl, Summit USJ
7	Sarawak	TBC	Mega Lanes Batu Kawah, Kuching
8	Sabah	TBC	CPS Bowl, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah
9	Grand Finals	21 – 22 December	Sunway Megalanes, Selangor

8.1.1 The schedule/bowling centers/state of the legs is subject to change due to lanes availability and the number of participants.

9. Format of Competition

9.1.1 Open & Graded Category

9.1.2 All bowlers shall bowl 6 games in the 1st Round

9.1.3 Bowlers will change lanes after every 2 games.

9.1.4 The qualifiers for the 2nd Round is as follows in each category. The cut-off line for qualifiers are as follows:

# of participants	1st Round	2nd Round	Round Robin
Under 12	6 games cut @ 16	FINAL	N/A
Girl's Graded	6 games cut @ 28	6 games cut @ 8	Top 8
Boy's Graded	6 games cut @ 40	6 games cut @ 8	Top 8
Girl's Open	6 games cut @ 24	6 games cut @ 8	Top 8
Boy's Open	6 games cut @ 28	6 games cut @ 8	Top 8

- 9.1.5 Scores from the 1st Round will be carried forward to the 2nd Round.
- 9.1.6 The top 8 bowlers will qualify for the Round Robin Finals, scores will be carried forward from previous round. Winner of each match will get bonus of 30, and for a tie, bonus of 15.
- 9.1.7 The Winner after the Round Robin will be declared the Champion.
- 9.1.8 **For the Under-12 category**, all bowlers will bowl 6 games in the 1st round. The top 16 bowlers will bowl another 6 games in the 2nd round, with the scores carried forward from the 1st round.
- 9.1.9 The winner will be declared after the 12 games total.

10. Ranking Points

- 10.1 All bowlers taking part in the Junior Circuit will be awarded points. Bowlers with the highest points will qualify for the Grand Finals.
- 10.2 The points will be awarded as follows:

Participation points (1st round of 6 games) - participation points will be calculated based on the number of bowlers taking part in their respective categories. The point factor is **2**. 2 points will be awarded to the last finishing bowler, the bowler on 2nd last position getting 4 points. e.g. if there are 10 bowlers in that particular category, the first bowler after 1st round of 8 games will get 20 points and the 2nd bowler will get 18 points, the 3rd gets 16 points and so on.

Another example, if there are 105 bowlers in that category, the 1st placed bowler gets 210 points, the 2nd placed will get 208 points and so on.

This system would make all bowlers to play their best and to compete for their points even when they are out of contention to

qualify for the next round. Another factor is, if more bowlers compete, you get more points.

Qualification points (2nd round of 6 games) – qualification points is awarded to bowlers who have qualified for the second round. The point factor is 5. 5 points is awarded to the last placed bowler and 10 points is awarded to the 2nd last bowler and so on. If there are 24 qualifiers, the top finisher will be awarded with 120 points.

Finals Points (Top 8) – Finals points will be awarded based on the bowlers' final position. The points awarded are as follows:

Champion	:	90 points
Runner-up	:	60 points
3 rd place	:	40 points
4 th place	:	30 Points
5 th Place	:	25 Points
6 th Place	:	20 Points
7 th Place	:	15 Points
8 th Place	:	10 Points

The salient points to the above points system are as follows:

Points are awarded after every round.

Points will be calculated on the final position of that particular round. This point system is explained in the table below:

In this scenario, there were 103 entries for the category e.g. Boys Graded. The cut-off qualifying is at 32.

Position	Participation points	Qualifying points	Finals points	Total
1	206	160	90	
2	204	155	60	
3	202	150	40	
4	200	145	30	
5	198	140	25	
6	196	135	20	
7	194	130	15	
8	192	125	10	
9	190	120		
10	188	115		
11	186	110		

12	184	105		
13	182	100		
14	180	95		
15	178	90		
16	176	85		
17	174	80		
18	172	75		
19	170	70		
20	168	65		
21	166	60		
22	164	55		
23	162	50		
24	160	45		
25	158	40		
26	156	35		
27	154	30		
28	152	25		
29	150	20		
30	148	15		
31	146	10		
32	144	5		
33	142			
34	140			
35	138			
36	136			
101	6			
102	4			
103	2			

If a bowler, after the 1st round of 6 games, he is placed at 10th position, he gets 188 points. The next round, he bowls well and move up to 5th position, he earns 140 points. In the step ladder Finals, he ends up in 2nd place and he gets another 60 points. In total, for that leg, he earns (188+140+60) 388 points.

10.3 For the Under-12 category, the points will be awarded as follows:
Assuming that there are 37 bowlers taking part in this category

Position	1 st Round	2 nd Round
1	74	80
2	72	75
3	70	70
4	68	65
5	66	60
6	64	55
7	62	50
8	60	45
9	58	40

10	56	35
11	54	30
12	52	25
13	50	20
14	48	15
15	46	10
16	44	5
17	42	
18	40	
36	4	
37	2	

11.0 Grand Finals

11.1 Bowlers with the highest accumulated ranking points will qualify for the Grand Finals. The number of finalists as per category is listed below:

Category	West Malaysia	East Malaysia	Total
Boys U-12	10	2	12
Girls U-12	10	2	12
Boys Graded	13	3	16
Girls Graded	13	3	16
Boys Open	13	3	16
Girls Open	13	3	16
TOTAL	72	16	88

11.2 Bowlers in West Malaysia must compete in a minimum of 3 legs while bowlers in East Malaysia must compete in both the legs in East Malaysia, to be eligible for the Grand Finals. If in any case, there is not enough finalists that meet the above criteria, the next bowler with the most number of participated leg and the highest ranking points will fill in the empty slot in that order.

11.3 There shall be no reserves for the Grand Finals. Bowlers who do not turn up for the Grand Finals will have their place forfeited and pacers may be called to fill up the place.

11.4 **Graded & Open Category** – Grand Finals – All bowlers will bowl a block of 6 games in order to determine the seeding of the bowlers. The bowlers will retain their seeding throughout the entire grand final.

11.5 After the seeding is determined, Step 2 onwards will be head to head matches, where the highest seed bowler will be matched against the lowest seeded bowler, match play style.

11.7 Each match will be played as best of 3 games. If the same bowler is the winner of the first two (2) games, the 3rd game will not be played. In each match, the higher seeded bowler will choose whether he/she wants to begin the first game on the left or the right lane. In the second game, the starting lane of the bowlers will be opposite to the first game and in a possible third game, the starting lane of the bowlers will be the same as the first game. Bowler on the left lane will start the match.

11.8 The following table shows the Grand Final Step 2 – Step 5.

Step 2: 16 Bowlers based on the seeding will be matched up as below:-

Highest Seed Bowler Vs Lowest Seed Bowler such that:-

Seed 1 Vs Seed 16

Seed 2 Vs Seed 15

and so forth.

Winner of each match shall proceed to the next step, while the loser is eliminated.

11.9 **U-12 Category** – Grand Finals – All bowlers will bowl 2 blocks of 6 games with the highest 12 games total declared the champion.

11.10 There will be no subsidy for airport transfer for Sabah, Sarawak and Grand Finals legs. Bowlers are to make their own arrangements from airport to their accommodation/bowling centers and vice versa.

11.11 All Grand Finalists will be provided subsidy for transport as follows:

Perlis/Kedah/Penang/Kelantan/Terengganu/Johor – RM100.00

Pahang/Perak/Melaka/Negri Sembilan – RM60.00

Kuala Lumpur/Selangor – RM30.00

Sabah/Sarawak – Flight tickets will be provided by organizers.

11.12 All Grand Finalists (excluding Kuala Lumpur & Selangor, if the Grand Finals is held in the Klang Valley) will be provided an accommodation subsidy of RM100.00

11.13 1 official from each state shall accompany bowler/s who qualify, to the Grand Finals, shall receive similar subsidies as the bowlers. The official will be decided by the State Association affiliated to MTBC.

12.0 Breaking of ties

12.1 The breaking of ties for positions, after a block of games is the bowler with the higher last game, shall be placed higher.

- 12.2 The breaking of tie after the Round Robin is complete is the bowler with the higher last game, shall be placed higher.
- 12.3 The breaking of tie for qualifying for the Grand Finals will be the bowler who scores more ranking points in the last leg of the concerned circuit.
- 12.4 The breaking of tie during Step 2 – 5 in the Grand Finals for the Open and Graded Divisions shall be a 1-ball roll off.

13.0 PRIZES

13.1 The cash prizes awarded for each leg are as follows:

Category	U12 - Boys	U12 - Girls	Graded Boys	Graded Girls	Open Boys	Open Girls
1 st	RM200	RM200	RM500	RM500	RM500	RM500
2 nd	RM120	RM120	RM250	RM250	RM250	RM250
3 rd	RM100	RM100	RM150	RM150	RM150	RM150
4 th	RM80	RM80	RM120	RM120	RM120	RM120
5 th	RM60	RM60	RM90	RM90	RM90	RM90
6 th	RM60	RM60	RM80	RM80	RM80	RM80
7 th	RM40	RM40	RM60	RM60	RM60	RM60
8 th	RM40	RM40	RM50	RM50	RM50	RM50
TOTAL:	RM700	RM700	RM1300	RM1300	RM1300	RM1300

TOTAL: RM6600.00

13.2 The cash prizes awarded for the **Grand Finals** are as follows:

Category	U12 - Boys	U12 - Girls
1 st	RM200	RM200
2 nd	RM150	RM150
3 rd	RM120	RM120
4 th	RM100	RM100
5 th	RM90	RM90
6 th	RM80	RM80
TOTAL:	RM740	RM740

Category	Graded Boys	Graded Girls	Open Boys	Open Girls
1 st	RM600	RM600	RM600	RM600
2 nd	RM400	RM400	RM400	RM400
3 rd – 4 th	RM200	RM200	RM200	RM200
5 th – 8 th	RM100	RM100	RM100	RM100
TOTAL:	RM1800	RM1800	RM1800	RM1800

TOTAL: RM8680.00

13.3 The sponsored prizes will be announced at the start of each leg.

14 Oiling patterns

- 14.1 Oiling patterns will be decided by the Tournament Management and will inform all state associations at least 2 weeks before the date of that particular leg. Should there be no information on the oiling pattern, the house oiling pattern will be used.

15 Lane Assignment and Change of lanes

- 15.1 The manner and number of lane changes will be announced at the start of the leg by the Tournament Director.
- 15.2 The lanes of which the bowler shall bowl will be assigned by the Tournament Management.

16 Slow Bowling

- 16.1 The Tournament Management views the "Slow Bowling" infringement as serious as this would disrupt the tournament schedule.
- 16.2 Bowlers shall be warned by the Tournament Director by way of white, yellow and red cards. Bowlers shall be penalized when shown the red card. Penalty is zero for the frame being bowled.

17 Playing Rules

- 17.1 All playing rules shall be referred to the latest World Bowling universal playing rules other than those rules specified by MTBC. The decision by the Tournament Director with regards to the rules shall be final.