

Irish Tenpin Bowling Association

49th Annual Championships Rules (2014)



Participation:

Entry is open to all current ITBA general members, on submission of a completed Entry Form, accompanied by the Entry Fee of €30.

Entry Form:

All entrants must complete an Entry Form. All requested information must be given.

- The closing date for entries is Thursday, 6th February, 2014.
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to re-schedule, to ensure the smooth running of the Championships.
- It is your responsibility to check your squad and registration times.
- Late entries will be wait-listed; bowlers will be allocated places in squads as they become available, if (i) required to lead to even numbers for a squad (ii) lane availability permits or (iii) in the event of cancellation.
- The Tournament Committee takes no responsibility for forming teams or in finding members to fill teams.
- It is the responsibility of each entrant to ensure that the information given on the Entry Form and the Ball Registration form is correct. Where incorrect information is submitted, the individual and, where applicable, the team concerned, will be liable to disqualification from any event affected.
- Individuals who find that they cannot play at their scheduled time are expected to notify the Tournament Committee. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

Registration Form - Bowling Balls:

All entrants must complete, sign and return this form when registering in their first event. It is the bowler's responsibility to ensure that all Bowling Balls listed conform to the ITBA specifications for weight, balance and hardness. Illegal bowling balls will result in the disqualification of the competitor. Spot checks will take place during the Championships.

Squad Assignments:

An open lane draw will be held in Leisureplex, Stillorgan on Monday, 10th February and lane assignments will be published as soon as possible after this date. No alterations will be allowed without prior consultation with the Tournament Committee and only in extreme circumstances will exceptions be made.

Registration:

It is your responsibility to register on time. Registration for each squad will commence 30 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time and will close 10 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time. Bowlers will not be permitted to register or play after the closing time.

Prizes:

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded for the Singles, Doubles, Trios, Team Events and Mixed doubles. The winner of the All Events will hold the Jack Murphy trophy (men) for one year and the ITBA perpetual Trophy (ladies) for one year. The All Events winners will represent Ireland in the European Champions Cup.

Ranking Points:

Ranking points are awarded based on the finishing position as documented in the Team Ireland Selection Process and eligibility document on the ITBA Website - <http://www.tenpinbowling.ie/teamireland.html>

National Champions - All Events Playoff – Sunday 23rd February at 10.00 a.m.

- Individuals who have entered Singles, Doubles, Trios and Team event, will automatically have their totals computed to establish their standing in the All Events.
- The top 8 men will bowl a further nine games, moving lanes after 3 games. The bowler with the highest total pinfall will be declared the winner.
- The top 6 ladies will bowl a further nine games, moving lanes after 3 games. The bowler with the highest total pinfall will be declared the winner.

Rules:

The General Playing Rules of the ITBA will apply, in addition to the following rules:

- Tied positions - will be decided by the highest last game.
- To comply with F.I.Q./Irish Sports Council anti-doping rules, competitors will not be permitted to smoke or consume alcohol during competition. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification.
- Protests must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Committee within 30 minutes after the completion of the game in which the infraction occurred. The Tournament Committee's decisions on all matters will be final.
- Bowlers must comply with the dress code of the ITBA. Competitors must wear a bowling shirt with their full name clearly printed or embroidered on the back. The wearing of jeans is not permitted.
- The Tournament Committee will permit no unreasonable delay in the progress of any game. Should a competitor refuse to proceed with a shot/game after being directed to do so, that game will be forfeited.
- All bowlers/Captain must sign the official score sheets on completion of each squad; unsigned score sheets will result in the loss of these scores.
- It is the bowlers' responsibility to ensure that their bowling balls conform to the ITBA specifications for weight, balance and hardness.
- It is prohibited to use chemicals, solvents or other methods to change the hardness of the ball surface after it is manufactured.
- The use of abrasive materials (including sandpaper and scuff pads) or other substances to alter the surface of the ball, once practice has begun, is prohibited.
- The use of talcum powder, open rosin bags/grips sacs, or similar substances, presents a serious hazard and will not be permitted in the bowling area, on shoes or on approaches.
- Any individual whose conduct is considered to be derogatory or not to be in the best interest of the sport on or off the lanes, during the entire period of the Championships may be disqualified from the tournament and will be reported to the national association.
- The consumption of food or drink will **not** be permitted in the bowlers' area.
- Mobile phones must be turned **OFF** during squads. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disciplinary action.

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Entry Fee: €30.00 Lineage: €5.00 per Game



Entry Form - Men

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Entries may also be sent by E-Mail to yrandell@eircom.net

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Date	Day	Squad	Event	Gms	Bowlers in ORDER OF PLAY
14 th Feb.	Friday	7.00 p.m.	Mixed Doubles	4	1.
			<u>One squad only on first-come basis</u>		2.

15 th Feb.	Sat.	8.30 a.m.	Mens Singles	5	1.
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16 th Feb.	Sunday	8.30 a.m.	Mens Doubles	4	1.
					2.

21stFeb.	Friday	7.00 p.m.	Mens Trios	3	1.
					2.
					3.

22 nd Feb.	Sat.	9 a.m.	Mens Team Event – Team of 5	3	1.
					2.
					3.
					4.
					5.

I agree to abide by the rules of the Association, the additional Championship Rules as detailed on the enclosed sheet, the members Code of Ethics and Social Media Policy – all of which will be updated from time to time in line with the requirements and developments of the Association (all documents are available on the ITBA Website – www.tenpinbowling.ie)

Competitor's
Signature: _____ **Email**
Address: _____ **Date:** _____

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PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE – 2014

Subject to Change, depending on number of entries

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Friday, 14th February

7.00 p.m. Mixed Doubles - one squad only - on first-come basis

Saturday, 15th February

8.30 a.m. Men's Singles

11.00 a.m. Lane Maintenance

11.45 a.m. Ladies Singles

Sunday, 16th February

8.30 a.m. Men's Doubles

10.30 a.m. Lane Maintenance

11.15 a.m. Ladies Doubles

Friday, 21st February

7.00 p.m. Men's Trios and Ladies Trios

Saturday, 22nd February

9.00 a.m. Team of Five (men) and Team of Four (ladies)

Sunday, 23rd February

10.00 a.m. All Events Finals

Medal Presentation in Stillorgan Bowl

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