

# British Tenpin Bowling Association



## Inter County Championships Rules & Regulations

Seniors  
Adults

Juniors  
YAC

2013 Revision

## Record of Changes to County Rules from 2005

<b>2005</b>	<p>General Rewrite</p> <p>Seniors - Age Bonus pins amended.</p> <p>Seniors - Qualification for finals - rule changed.</p> <p>Under14 - Tournament format changed.</p> <p>Under16 - Tournament format changed.</p> <p>Under18 - Knockout final replaced by a further three games for finalists with pinnfall carrying forward.</p>
<b>2007</b>	<p>General – Dress code rule now covers to all sections.</p> <p>General – Qualifying rounds with an odd number of teams, the team with the furthest to travel will have their bye in last round</p> <p>Seniors – Win Bonus change</p> <p>Adults – Increase in number of qualifying groups to six.</p> <p>YAC – Format change to have regional qualifying rounds and Grand Final</p> <p>Under 14 – Increase in number of games to five.</p> <p>Under 18 – Format change to have regional qualifying rounds and Grand Final</p>
<b>2008</b>	<p>General - ICC cards now required for all County players.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">- Qualification for finals changed and standardised for Seniors, Adult, YAC and Juniors (U18)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">- Win bonus in finals standardised across all County competitions</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">- RAF considered as a County Team for Adult Tournament only.</p> <p>Under 16 - Date of Tournament moved.</p> <p>Under 14 - Date of Tournament moved.</p>
<b>2010</b>	<p>General – Change to rules on the number of bowlers that can expect to play a minimum number of games in the relevant County Championship from the County selection tournament.</p> <p>Seniors – Qualification for finals changed. Draw for Sat /Sun squad changed. Date for final confirmed.</p> <p>Adults - Qualification for finals changed. Draw for Sat /Sun squad changed</p> <p>Under 18 – Format change</p> <p>Under 16 – Format changed to combine with Under 14 event</p> <p>Under 14 – Tournament removed and now combined with Under 16 event</p>
<b>2011</b>	<p>Seniors – Date of final changed.</p> <p>Under 18 - Last day for Team Registration added.</p> <p>YAC - Tournament Format Changed</p>
<b>2013</b>	<p>Seniors &amp; – ICC card requirement removed.</p> <p>Adults Date of intent to enter moved to 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Pinnfall no longer divided by 100 to make points</p> <p>Seniors - Eligibility date changed to 1<sup>st</sup> June (2012 revision now incorporated)</p> <p>YAC - Grand Final Round Robin Section – The number of qualifying teams for the round robin final can be varied depending upon the number of entries.</p>

**British Tenpin Bowling Association**  
**GREAT BRITAIN INTER COUNTY TOURNAMENT**  
**RULES & REGULATIONS**

**1. Purpose:**

To promote competition between eligible Counties of Great Britain to produce County Champions for Male and Female Teams at all levels.

**2. Management:**

The Tournament will be governed by the Inter County Secretaries appointed annually by the Chairman of the B.T.B.A.

**3. Eligibility:**

- a) **Registration of Counties** will only be accepted from:
- i) County or Area Associations of the B.T.B.A. and Affiliated Associations.
  - ii) Counties forming part of any Area Association of the B.T.B.A.
  - iii) In the Adult tournament only an RAF team formed from serving Royal Air Force personnel.

**NB For the sake of clarity within these rules, from here on the word County in association with the Adult tournament is assumed to include the RAF in all eligible tournaments**

- b) **The following qualifications** are required for County representation:
- i) The individual must be a current member in good standing with the B.T.B.A. or Affiliated Association.
  - ii) The individual must be eligible to hold a British Passport, or have lived continuously in the UK for at least 5 years.
  - iii) The individual must have been born within the boundaries of their County,
- OR**
- iv) The individual must have resided within the boundaries of their County for not less than one year at the time of registration. Serving members of HM Forces (not participating in the RAF team) and their dependants shall qualify after six months residential period.

**RAF Team only:**

RAF personnel must be serving personnel, stationed in the UK at the time of the RAF selection tournament and not currently registered for another County.

## Eligibility (cont)

- c) **All geographical County Boundaries** will be those as established in 1961.
- d) **All applications for change of registration** must be lodged for a period of one year before becoming effective. The one-year waiting period shall commence for unregistered players from the date of receipt of written notification; for registered players from the end of the final in the year of application.
- i) Until their new qualification takes effect, these individuals will continue to be eligible to play for their previous County.
  - ii) No individual may play for different Counties in successive years without first having given one years notice of intent to the relevant Inter County Secretary who in turn will notify the BTBA Head Office.
  - iii) Individuals who fail to notify the Inter County Secretary of their intent to change Counties may if they desire, but not necessarily:  
After one complete year (during which time their name must not be registered for any County) they are then at liberty to register for a new County, provided they meet the criteria of Rule 3b.
  - iv) RAF 'County' registered players leaving the Service must advise the Adult Inter-County Secretary in accordance with eligibility rule d above of the county to which they wish to become affiliated to either by birth or residence in accordance with the eligibility rules above.
- e) **Notice of Intent.** Counties wishing to participate must send notification to the relevant Inter County Secretary as follows:-
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|------------|---|
| Seniors    | 14 <sup>th</sup> February                               |
| Adults     | 14 <sup>th</sup> February                               |
| YAC's      | 31 <sup>st</sup> October (preceding year of tournament) |
| Under 18's | 31 <sup>st</sup> March                                  |
| Under 16's | 30 <sup>th</sup> November (in the preceding year)       |

This is to be followed for the Seniors and Adults by the registration fee (determined by the B.T.B.A.) to arrive with the appropriate ICC Secretary no later than the following dates:

Seniors & Adults	31st March
YAC	31 <sup>st</sup> December
Under 18	31 <sup>st</sup> May
Under 16/14	31st January

Fees will not be refundable. The fee will be used to defray the expenses of the Final.

f) **Age Eligibility**

**Senior**

Senior participants must be aged 50 on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> June prior to the Tournament.

**Adult**

No specific age criteria.

**YAC**

Under 24 as at 1<sup>st</sup> January in the year of the tournament.

**Junior**

18's must be under 18 as at 1<sup>st</sup> September prior to the tournament.

16's must be under 16 as at 1<sup>st</sup> September prior to the tournament.

14's must be under 14 as at 1<sup>st</sup> September prior to the tournament.

**4. General:**

- a) Junior bowlers may only play in the YAC and Adult tournaments if in possession of a J/A BTBA card.

**5. Selection – All Levels**

- a) **A BTBA or Affiliated Association Sanctioned Tournament** for selection purposes must be held in a certified centre and there must be equal opportunity for all members to represent their County. It is not necessary that the certified centre chosen for the tournament be within the jurisdiction of the County.
- b) Entry Forms for the tournament must include a declaration of eligibility to be completed by the participants.
- c) To be eligible for selection, Individuals must participate in the selection tournament. County representatives who are currently in their respective International Adult Country's Squad may be exempt provided that their Country and County so chooses, and the relevant County is in that Country. (i.e. England Squad, English County) Current Senior, YAC and Junior Team England members must however qualify through the County selection criteria for County representation. There is **NO** exemption.
- d) All county selection tournaments will be played scratch except the seniors where counties may choose to add in age bonus pins in accordance with the current Senior County rules if they wish.
- e) The top two bowlers from the county selection tournament (County Trials) for the Senior, Adult, Under 18 and YAC tournaments must be given the opportunity to play at least two games during the qualifying round.

For the Under 16 and 14's selection tournaments the top bowler only from each must be given the opportunity to play at least two games during the tournament.

**Note.** This does not necessarily mean in any of the tournaments that these two players need bowl at the same time.

- f) The results of the selection tournaments must be returned with the list of registered players to the relevant Inter County Secretary by the following dates:

Seniors: - 30<sup>th</sup> April each year

Adults: - 30<sup>th</sup> June each year

YAC's: - 31<sup>st</sup> January each year

Juniors: - Under 18's 30<sup>th</sup> May each year  
Under 14's /16's 31<sup>st</sup> January each year

The top two players (one in the U14 and under 16 events) from the selection tournament must be listed first on the registration form that is sent to the relevant inter-county secretary.

- g) A maximum of 15 players may be registered in each division. Each registered player will be allocated an IC player number which will be used throughout the championships.
- h) In the event of the maximum number of bowlers not being registered by the dates stated then additions may only be made by the authority of the relevant Inter County Secretary.

## **6. Formats & General Rules**

- a) All matches and games shall conform to B.T.B.A. Rules and Regulations.
- b) There will be 2 divisions in each Championship
- i) Male      ii) Female
- c) Each eligible County shall be permitted to enter one team in each division.
- d) It is the responsibility of each County to arrange for provision of suitable shirts bearing the name of, and if possible the crest of their County. Reference to a commercial sponsor may appear but, shall not be more than half the size of the County Name.
- e) No denim or shorts of any description will be allowed. Ladies / girls may wear skorts, skirts, trousers or tracksuit bottoms. Men / boys can wear trousers or tracksuit bottoms. Whichever attire is worn it must be of a similar colour.

f) **Summary of Formats:- Specific details are found in the Annexes.**

- i) **Seniors**                    Male            5 persons  
  Female            4 persons

Qualifying round and a Grand Final

- ii) **Adults**                    Male .            5 persons  
  Female .            5 persons

Qualifying round and a Grand Final

- iii) **YAC's**                    Male            4 persons  
  Female            4 persons

Qualifying round and Final (One weekend)

- iv) **Juniors**

- Under 18's**                    Male .            5 persons  
  Female .            5 persons

Qualifying round and Final

**Combined Under 14's & 16's**

- Male .            4 persons  
  Female .            4 persons

Final (no qualifying round)

# **British Tenpin Bowling Association**

## **GREAT BRITAIN INTER COUNTY TOURNAMENT**

### **RULES & REGULATIONS SPECIFIC to EACH LEVEL**

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|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Section A</b> | <b>Senior Tournament</b>            |
| <b>Section B</b> | <b>Adult Tournament</b>             |
| <b>Section C</b> | <b>YAC Tournament</b>               |
| <b>Section D</b> | <b>Under 18 Tournament</b>          |
| <b>Section E</b> | <b>Under 14 &amp; 16 Tournament</b> |



## SENIORS

### 1. Format

- a) The Country will be split into two qualifying groups nominally North and South for both male and female divisions with an equal number of counties, as far as is practical, in each group. The groups will be compiled by the Inter-County Secretary and confirmed by the BTBA.
- b) Each team will play six games in the qualifying round on either the Saturday or Sunday of the first weekend in June.
- c) A draw will be made (normally at the BTBA Nationals) to determine which day the county will play on in the qualifying round. The draw will be initially be based on the counties with both a male and female team and then by those with just one. This assures an even balance of teams across both days
- d) The final will be a nine game round robin played over the third weekend in October

### 2. Age Bonus

- a) Age Bonus pins will be added to an individual's game score.
- b) Bonus pins will be determined according to the individual's age as at 1<sup>st</sup> June in the year of the Tournament and will not change during that year. For each year over the age of fifty one bonus pin will be added i.e. age 53 on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 3 bonus pins; age 62, 12 bonus pins. There is no maximum age bonus.

### 3. Qualifying Rounds

- a) A draw to decide whether a County plays on the Saturday or Sunday will take place at the BTBA Nationals.
- b) Venues for the qualifying rounds will be notified as soon as possible after the closing date for entries. The County that hosts a qualifying round will be responsible for applying for the tournament sanction for that qualifying round.
- c) Times of registration will be announced by the Inter County Secretary or host County to all participating Counties in the qualifying round.
- d) Each player must be in possession of a current BTBA or Affiliated Membership Card, and these must be produced at registration. Persons failing to produce a valid membership card **will not** be permitted to participate.
- e) On each day in each group (North & South) and in each division (Male and female) the highest scoring team (inc age bonuses) at the end of each of the six games will receive a 100 pin bonus. The second team will

receive 80 pins, third 60, fourth 40 and finally fifth 20 pins. The two highest scoring teams over the six games on each day from each group will qualify for the Final. Additionally, the highest scoring third placed team over the two days will make the fifth qualifier from that group. In the event of a tie for a position in the final, the team with the lower difference between its highest and lowest team game including age bonus will go through.

- f) Lane dressing will be undertaken after three games.
- g) The Captain / Manager of any County may introduce a registered substitute at the end of any game. There will be no substitution during a game, except in an emergency.
- h) The Host County must send the results of the qualifying round by first class post to the Inter County Secretary on the day after completion of the qualifying event.
- i) **No** Food or Drink will be consumed in the playing area at any time during the Tournament. Non-alcoholic beverages may be taken outside of the playing area.
- j) Anyone whose conduct is considered to be derogatory to the best interests of the Tournament maybe disqualified immediately.
- k) Any individual considered to be under the influence of alcohol will be disqualified immediately.

#### 4. Grand Final

- a) The rules covering the qualifying round plus the following special rules govern the final.
- b) Application for sanction will be made by the Inter County Secretary.
- c) Each competing County shall be permitted to nominate:
  - i) Male: Seven players from their registered squad with five bowlers for each game being from those nominated.
  - ii) Female: Six players from their registered squad with four bowlers for each game being from those nominated.
- d) Time of registration will be announced by the Inter County Secretary and nominally will be 45 minutes before the opening ceremony. All participants in the Final must be in possession of a current BTBA or Affiliated Membership. **Any INDIVIDUAL UNABLE TO PRODUCE THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARD WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PLAY.** Teams or players not registered by the stated time will not be allowed to bowl, except in an emergency or unless otherwise agreed by the IC Secretary at the time of registration.
- e) Each team will compete on a round robin basis, playing one game against each other to a pre-arranged schedule. Teams will be awarded 20 bonus pins per bowler for a win (100 for men's team and 80 for women's) and 10 pins per bowler for a draw.
- f) The final shall be a two-day event with four games being played on the Saturday and five games on the Sunday. The awards will be presented on completion of the schedule.

## **5. Awards**

All nominated bowlers for the Final will be eligible for an award whether they have participated in the Final or not.

## **6. Ties**

In the event of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place the County with the highest pinfall over 9 games including age bonus pins will be declared the Champions.

## **7. Protests**

Protests must be made verbally at the time of dispute, and confirmed in writing to the Inter County Secretary within 30 minutes of the game in which the infringement took place.

## **8. Buffet / Dance**

Each nominated bowler for the Final will have a free of cost ticket made available. Should further tickets be required, they shall be made available (where possible) at a cost determined by Head Office. **TEAM TICKETS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE.**

## **10. Communications**

All correspondence will be addressed to the Local Area Association Secretary or a nominated representative.

## ADULTS

### 1. Format

- a) The Country will be split into two qualifying groups nominally North and South for both male and female divisions with an equal number of counties, as far as is practical, in each group. The groups will be compiled by the Inter-County Secretary and confirmed by the BTBA. Due to the non-specific location of the RAF team they will be allocated to the most appropriate group.
- b) Each team will play six games in the qualifying round on either the Saturday or Sunday of the first weekend in September.
- c) A draw will be made (normally at the BTBA Nationals) to determine which day the county will play on in the qualifying round. The draw will be initially be based on the counties with both a male and female team and then by those with just one. This assures an even balance of teams across both days
- d) The final will be an eleven game round robin played over the first weekend in November.

### 2. Qualifying Rounds

- a) Venues for the qualifying rounds will be notified as soon as possible after the closing date for entries. The County that hosts a qualifying round will be responsible for applying for the tournament sanction for that qualifying round.
- b) Times of registration will be announced by the Inter County Secretary to all participating Counties in the qualifying round.
- c) Each player registered must be in possession of a **current** BTBA or Affiliated Membership Card, and these must be produced at the qualifying round. Persons failing to produce valid membership **will not** be permitted to participate. Memberships for the previous season will be acceptable for the September qualifying round.
- d) On each day in each group (North & South) and in each division (Male and female) the highest scoring team at the end of each of the six games will receive a 100 pin bonus. The second team will receive 80 pins, third 60, fourth 40 and finally fifth 20 pins. The three highest scoring teams over the six games on each day from each group will qualify for the Final. In the event of a tie for a position in the final, the team with the lower difference between its highest and lowest team game will go through.
- e) Lane dressing will be undertaken after three games.
- f) The Captain / Manager of any County may introduce a registered substitute at the end of any game. There will be no substitution during a game, except in an emergency.

- g) The Host County must send the results of the qualifying round by first class post to the Inter County Secretary on the day after completion of the qualifying event.
- h) **No** Food or Drink will be consumed in the playing area at any time during the Tournament. Non-alcoholic beverages may be taken outside of the playing area.
- i) Anyone whose conduct is considered to be derogatory to the best interests of the Tournament maybe disqualified immediately.
- j) Any individual considered to be under the influence of alcohol will be disqualified immediately.

### **3. Grand Final**

- a) The rules covering the qualifying round plus the following special rules govern the final.
- b) Application for sanction will be made by the Inter County Secretary.
- c) Each competing County shall be permitted to nominate:
  - Male: Seven players from their registered squad with five bowlers for each game being from those nominated.
  - Female: Seven players from their registered squad with five bowlers for each game being from those nominated.
- d) Time of registration will be announced by the Inter County Secretary and all participants in the Final must be in possession of a current BTBA Affiliated Membership. **Any INDIVIDUAL UNABLE TO PRODUCE THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARD WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PLAY.** Teams or players not registered by the stated time will not be allowed to bowl, except in an emergency or as otherwise agreed by the IC Secretary at the time of registration.
- e) Each team will compete on a round robin basis, playing one game against each other to a pre-arranged schedule. Teams will be awarded 20 bonus pins per bowler for a win (100 per team) and 10 per bowler for a draw.
- f) The final shall be a two-day event with five games being played on the Saturday and six games on the Sunday. The awards will be presented on completion of the schedule.

### **4. Awards**

All nominated bowlers for the Final will be eligible for an award whether they have participated in the Final or not.

### **5. Ties**

In the event of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, the County with the highest pinfall over 11 games will be declared the Champions.

## **6. Protests**

Protests must be made verbally at the time of dispute, and confirmed in writing to the Inter County Secretary within 30 minutes of the game in which the infringement took place.

## **7. Buffet / Dance**

Each nominated bowler for the Final will have a free of charge ticket made available. Should further tickets be required, they shall be made available (where possible) at a cost determined by Head Office. **TEAM TICKETS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE.**

## **8. Communications**

All correspondence will be addressed to the Local Area Association Secretary or a nominated representative.

## YAC's

### 1. General

- a) Counties must give notice of intention to compete in the tournament, in writing, to the Inter County Secretary by the 31<sup>st</sup> October. The registered squad of up to 8 players is to be provided by no later than midnight on the 31st January.
- b) A provisional ball will be rolled if a dispute relating to pinfall cannot be resolved immediately.
- c) Protests must be lodged with the ICC Secretary / Tournament Manager within 30 minutes of the infraction occurring and confirmed in writing before the presentation.
- d) No competitor will be allowed to wear headgear subject to the discretion of the Inter County Secretary.  
The format for play will be in 2 divisions,
  - i) Male Four Person Team.
  - ii) Female Four Person Team.
- e) Each county will be eligible to enter one team in each division.

### 2. Format

- a) Each team will play five games in the qualifying round on the Saturday. and two further games on the Sunday. The number of teams qualifying for the final stage will depend upon the number of entries but will be a maximum of eight in each division
- b) The final will be a round robin played, after the completion of the qualifying round, on the Sunday.
- d) **No** Food or Drink will be consumed in the playing area at any time during the Tournament. Non-alcoholic beverages only, maybe taken outside the playing area.
- e) Anyone whose conduct is considered to be derogatory to the best interests of the Tournament maybe disqualified immediately.
- f) Any individual considered to be under the influence of alcohol will be disqualified immediately.

### 3. Qualifying

- a) Each player registered must be in possession of a **current** BTBA or Affiliated Membership Card, and these must be produced at registration. Persons failing to produce valid membership and county registration card

will not be permitted to participate. Junior membership cards will not be accepted.

- b) Each team will play five games on the Saturday and a further two games on the Sunday. Teams will move lanes after each game. The number progressing to the final will be announced prior to the tournament. The highest team's pinfall in each division will qualify for the final stage. In the event of a tie for a position in the final, the team with the highest low game will go through.
- c) The Captain / Manager of any County may introduce a registered substitute at the end of any game. There will be no substitution during a game, except in an emergency.

#### **4. Final**

- a) Each of the teams in each division will compete in a round robin, playing one game against each other to a pre-arranged schedule. Teams will be awarded 2 points for a win and 1 point for a draw.
- b) In the event of a tie any of the medal places, the County with the higher pinfall over seven games will be decide the position. If there is still a tie a 9/10<sup>th</sup> frame play off will be played

#### **5. Awards**

All registered bowlers will be eligible for an award whether they have participated in the round robin or not.

#### **6. Protests**

Protests must be made verbally at the time of dispute, and confirmed in writing to the Inter County Secretary within 30 minutes of the game in which the infringement took place.

#### **7. Communications**

All correspondence will be addressed to the Local Area Association Secretary or a nominated representative.



## Under 18's

### 1. General

- a) The County selection tournament results must contain a full list of participants including their date of birth and the YBC they represent in the result order. These must be sent by each County to the Junior ICC Secretary for verification before entry into the Championships.
- b) The selection tournament finance statement and the £1 fee should be sent directly to the BTBA with cheques made payable to NAYBC INTERNATIONAL FUND.
- c) A provisional ball will be rolled if a dispute relating to pinfall cannot be resolved immediately+.
- d) Protests must be lodged with the Tournament Manager / Junior ICC Secretary within 30 minutes of the infraction occurring and confirmed in writing before the end of the tournament.
- e) ONLY LICENSED COACHES / INSTRUCTORS MAY ENTER THE PLAYING AREA AND ONLY ONE AT ANY TIME DURING THE PLAYING SESSIONS. BTBA rule 333 applies regarding coaching / instruction. All Licenses must be displayed.
- f) No **COMPETITOR** will be allowed to:
  - i) Consume alcoholic beverages during play, lane changes, or the duration of the day's play.
  - ii) Wear headgear, but subject to the discretion of the Inter County Secretary.
  - iii) **No** Food or Drink will be consumed in the playing area at any time during the Tournament. Non-alcoholic beverages maybe taken outside of the playing area.
- g) The last date for the ICC secretary to receive the player's details for the team selections is the 10<sup>th</sup> June.

### 2. Format

- a) The tournament will be played in 2 divisions:
  - i) Male Five Person Team
  - ii) Female Five Person Team
- b) Each county will be eligible to enter one team in each division and may lodge with the ICC Secretary an entry of up to 15 players for each division.
- c) The Captain / Manager of any County may introduce a registered substitute at the end of any game. There will be no substitution during a game except in an emergency.

- d) **QUALIFYING ROUNDS:** . They will take place on the Saturday and Sunday morning with each team bowling two sets. A series of 4 games will be bowled on the Saturday with a further 2 on the Sunday morning, changing lanes after each game.
- e) **QUALIFIERS FOR THE FINALS:** . This will be the 8 teams with the highest pinfall in each division seeded 1 - 8. In the event of a tie for any place then the team with the highest individual team game will go through. If still tied after this then the next game will count etc until a decision is reached.

### **3. Event Timings**

#### Saturday

Squad A 4 games 9.00am to 1.00pm

Lane Maintenance

Squad B 4 games Saturday 2.00pm to 6.00pm

#### Sunday

Squad B Sunday 2 games 8.30am to 10.30am

Lane Maintenance

Squad A Sunday 2 games Sunday 11.30pm to 13.30 pm

#### Finals

Commence on the Sunday 2.00 pm

Presentation of Awards approximately 6.30 pm

### **4. Finals**

The finals will be a single game matchplay knockout. The team seeded first will play the team seeded eighth, 2<sup>nd</sup> place v 7<sup>th</sup> place etc. The winner will go through to the next round. The teams seeded 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> if successful, in the rounds can only meet in the final match.

### **5. Awards**

Place awards will be given to all team members (7 boys & 7 girls). The individuals with the highest average and highest score over the qualifying games will be made in both divisions subject to a minimum of 4 games.

### **6. Communications**

All correspondence will be addressed to the Local Area Association Secretary or nominated representative.

## Combined Under 14's and Under 16's

### 1. General

- a) Each player registered must be in possession of a **current** County Registration Card and a **current** BTBA or Affiliated Membership Card, and these must be produced. Persons failing to produce valid membership and or registration card will not be permitted to participate.
- b) A provisional ball will be rolled if a dispute relating to pinfall cannot be resolved immediately.
- c) Protests must be lodged with the Junior Inter County Secretary within 30 minutes of the infraction occurring and confirmed in writing before the presentation.
- d) MANAGER / COACH will not be allowed to smoke or consume alcohol in the playing area.
- e) Only one licensed instructor is allowed in the playing area at any time. BTBA rule 333 applies for details on coaching / instruction. **Licenses must be displayed at all times.**
- f) No hats to be worn unless for medical reasons and only at the discretion of the Tournament Manager.
- g) Mobile phones are to be switched off in the player's area.
- h) Registration of bowlers shall be made by the manager/ Coach at least 30 minutes prior to squad times.
- i) Latecomers will commence at the frame in progress, as determined by the Tournament Manager.
- j) ELIGIBILITY: As per Inter County Championship Rules & Regulations. The selection tournament results must contain a full list of participants including their date of birth and the YBC they represent, in result order and must be sent by each County to the Junior Inter County Secretary for verification before entry into the Championships.
- k) ENTRY FORMS should be sent to: The Junior Inter County Secretary.

### 2. Format

- a) The Tournament will be in two Divisions: -
  - i) Male Four Person Team
  - ii) Female Four Person Team
- b) The tournament consists of the following events:
  - Under 14 Doubles - 3 games
  - Under 16 Doubles – 3 Games
  - Combined four person team (Min two under 14 players) - 3 Games

- c) Each County may register six players with a minimum of two aged under 14. Substitutions can be made, if required, at the end of each game providing the age rules for each event are maintained.
- d) The County Champions will be based on the highest scores over the nine games.

### **3. Squadding**

- a) Sunday

Team	11.00 am
Lane Dressing	1.30 pm
Under 14 Doubles	2.30 pm
Under 16 Doubles	4.00 pm

Overflow squad on Saturday

- b) Awards: Presentations Sunday 6.00 pm

NAYBC .Combined Trophy

AWARDS 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each event (Team and both doubles) in both divisions.

### **4. Communications**

All correspondence will be addressed to the Local Area Association Secretary or nominated representative.