## YOUTH BOWL ONTARIO

## ONTARIO TRIPLES TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

## TOURNAMENT CO-ORDINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS

## 2023 / 2024

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Ontario Triples Team Championships is a tournament where teams are comprised of one (1) Bantam bowler, one (1) Junior bowler, and one (1) Senior bowler. There is both a Boys division and Girls division. The tournament is bowled using the pins-over-average system and culminates in a provincial championship.

## 2. DATES

House Average Date: Determined by each program
League Qualifying Round: Determined by each program
House Finals: Determined by each program
ENTRY DEADLINE:
October 31, 2023
Regional Finals:
November 19, 2023 (Average as at October 31, 2023 - Minimum 12 games)
Provincial Finals:
January 21, 2024 (Average as of January 1, 2024)

## 3. ENTRY FEE

[NEW] All bowlers are automatically entered into this event.

## 4. FORMATION OF TEAMS

1. All eligible competitors are to be separated into the following three (3) age divisions, for each of the two (2) categories (Boys \& Girls):

BANTAM: 10 years of age and under at December 31, 2023
JUNIOR: $\quad 11$ to 14 years of age at December 31, 2023
SENIOR: $\quad 15$ to 19 years of age at December 31, 2023
2. Establish the age division that has the lowest number of paid entries for each of the two (2) categories (Boys \& Girls) to determine the number of teams that can compete in the House Finals. For Example:

Bantam Boys: 20 Junior Boys: 15 Senior Boys: 10
Bantam Girls: 25 Junior Girls: 10 Senior Girls: 8

This example reveals that in the Boys category, the Senior division has the lowest number of entries at 10 , while the Girls category has the lowest number of entries at 8 in the Senior Division. Therefore, the number of teams that can compete in the House Finals would be ten (10) in the Boys category, and eight (8) in the Girls category.
3. In the event that YBC registrations are low or non-existent in a given age division, the Program Director will be allowed to complete the field by advancing bowlers upward from a lower age division to fill the void in the higher divisions (i.e. Junior bowler competes as a Senior) so that every YBC league has the opportunity to participate.

## 5. LEAGUE QUALIFYING ROUND

Since the number of games played during regular play may vary, the number of games to be played in the League Qualifying Round in each age division, as well as the average date, are left to the discretion of the Program Director. Bowl ahead scores are permitted.

The pins-over-average system is to be used to determine the qualifiers for each category (Boys \& Girls) who will compete as teams in the House Finals.

Example: The Bantam boy, Junior boy, and Senior boy who scored the most pins over his average in the League Qualifying Round will make up Boys Team \#1; the runner-up Bantam boy, Junior boy, and Senior boy will make up Boys Team \#2, and so on, until the previously determined number of qualifying teams for the House Finals has been reached.

## 6. HOUSE FINALS

The second phase of the Ontario Triples Team Championships is the House Finals, which is to be held prior to, or on, the entry deadline date of October 31, 2023, with the exact time and date to be set by each bowling centre.

Three (3) games must be bowled, with the Boys team and Girls team that score the most pins over their combined average being declared Ontario Triples House Champions and will advance to the third phase, the Regional Finals.

How to advance more teams: Programs may elect to send additional teams to the Region Finals. For each additional team sent (over and above 1 boys and 1 girls team), programs will be charged $\$ 15.00$ per team.

At this point, a responsible coach / chaperone must be appointed to accompany each of the Boys and Girls teams to all subsequent phases of the tournament.

At the conclusion of the House Finals, please submit your results online by utilizing the Members Area at www.bowlontario5pin.ca. Please also send your teams that are advancing to the Regional Championships to your Regional Representative. Results are due to be submitted by October 31, 2023. If you have not received your login information, please contact the Bowl Ontario 5 Pin office. Payment can be made by etransfer to melanie@bowlontario.ca. Alternatively, you may submit a paper remittance form, and pay with cheque made payable to "Bowl Ontario".

## 7. REGION FINALS

The advancing teams (Boys \& Girls) from the House Finals will compete in the Region Finals, which will be held on Sunday, November 19, 2023. All bowlers must submit proof of their average at October 31, 2023 to the Region Finals.

Three (3) games must be bowled, with the top 2 teams of boys and girls scoring the most pins over their average being declared Regional Champions and earn the right to compete in the Provincial Championships.

## 8. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

All Regional Champions will compete in the Provincial Finals of the Ontario Triples Team Championships on Sunday, January 21, 2024, at Mike's Lanes Stratford, (Boys) and Hopedale Bowl Oakville (Girls). Program Directors must submit the Vulnerable Sector Check to Youth Bowl Ontario for the coach accompanying the team.

Four (4) games will be bowled, with the boys and girls team scoring the most pins over their average being declared Provincial Champions.

Teams must submit proof of average as of January 1, 2024 to Youth Bowl Ontario office by January 9, 2024.

## 9. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Ontario Triples Team Championships are open to all youth bowlers who are registered with Youth Bowl Canada.
2. YBC members must compete in the bowling centre where they are registered unless a transfer prior to the League Qualifying Round has been approved.
3. All general playing rules of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association (O5PBA) will be in effect where YBC rules are not specified.
4. Average Adjustment: Average Adjustment will take place at each level of the competition.
5. Any falsification or misrepresentation of scores or averages, knowingly or unknowingly, will result in immediate disqualification of the entire team.
6. In the event of a tie at any stage of the competition, the team scoring the most pins over their average in the final game will be determined the winner.
7. Substitution: Should a member of a team be unable to advance to the next phase, substitution will be allowed. The runner-up bowler from the same category and age division who competed in the League Qualifying Round may replace the bowler(s).
8. Absent Bowler: If a bowler is absent at any stage of the event, $80 \%$ of their average will be given. Bowler will be ineligible to return to future rounds of play.
9. Protests at any stage of the competition must be submitted in writing to Youth Bowl Canada (Ontario Division) within forty-eight (48) hours of said tournament.
10. Dress Rule: For complete dress rule for all Youth Bowl Ontario events, please consult the following document: http://bowlontario5pin.ca/download/Dress-Code-2023-2024.pdf.
11. In the event of a dispute, the decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final.

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