



*Canadian Tenpin Federation, Inc.*  
*Fédération Canadienne des Dix-Quilles, Inc.*

2024 CANADIAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

The Canadian Youth Championships ("CYC") is sanctioned by the Canadian Tenpin Federation ("CTF"), endorsed by CTF and is being conducted for the purpose of declaring Canadian Champions in each of the following divisions:

Girls' Singles: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Boys' Singles: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Doubles: Bantam Girl and Boy, Junior Girl and Boy

Intermediate Girl and Boy, Senior Girl and Boy

Girls' Team: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Boys' Team: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Girls' All-Events: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Boys' All-Events: Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior

All ages shall be determined as of August 1st prior to the Canadian Youth Championships:

Bantams: 11 and under

Juniors: 12 to 14,

Intermediates: 15, 16 and 17

Seniors: 18 and not 22 years of age at the time of qualifying

ANY RULES NOT COVERED HEREIN ARE GOVERNED BY CTF GENERAL PLAYING RULES.

1. CTF ELIGIBILITY 300D SHALL BE ENFORCED. A youth bowler who bowls in a youth league or who bowls in a youth league and an adult league must have participated in at least 21 games of the youth league schedule, through which they qualified in order to participate in a youth tournament. Achievement recognition will be provided for those described in the CTF Program Manual by their league. Provincial scholastic exemptions are also acceptable entrance criteria for the CYC tournament.

2. Each Province, except Ontario, is represented by a team of eight bowlers consisting of one boy and one girl in each of the age categories (bantam, juniors, intermediates and seniors). Ontario may be represented by two teams of eight bowlers consisting of one boy and one girl in each of the age



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categories (bantam, juniors, intermediates, and seniors). These two teams will represent Northern Ontario and Southern Ontario.

3. If the doubles or teams are incomplete, pacers may be used. The legal competitor(s) scores on the incomplete team or doubles will still count towards their all events total.

4. The hosting province shall supply pacers, if required. No pacers will be required unless an incomplete roster exists.

5. Order of events shall be: Teams, Doubles and Singles.

6. Order of line up shall be:

(a) Teams - Bantam, Junior, Intermediate, Senior - Legal line up consists of the 4 bowlers registered from the province

(b) Doubles - Girl, Boy - Legal line up will consist of the 2 registered bowlers from the province

7. Each event shall be round robin match play with one point awarded for each win and one-half of one point for a tie.

8. One complete game is bowled in the event of a tie for any medal position. Subsequent ties shall be broken in the same manner.

9. Accumulated pin fall from Singles, Mixed Doubles and Team Events will determine the All-Events winners. Duplicate medals for All-Events are presented in the event of a tie.

10. All Athletes and coaches must adhere to the Social Media Policy – see manual.

11. DURING COMPETITION:

(a) Practice will be for a minimum of 15 minutes prior to start of the first shift each day. Practice lanes will be the designated starting lanes.

(b) Competitors are expected to monitor their scores. Any errors should immediately be brought to the scorekeeper's attention. If the scorekeeper cannot correct the problem, the lane official will make the decision. Failing this, the Board of Appeal will make a binding decision.

(c) Each score is to be initialed by the athlete only if scores are not uploaded directly to the tournament software and will be announced by the Tournament Manager. The electronic score from the bowling centre will take precedence over any score dispute during the competition.



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(d) Any disputed scores must be brought to the tournament official's attention before leaving the bowling centre each day. Bowlers must be ready to bowl when it is their turn.

(e) Bowlers may not leave the bowling area without the consent of their coaches. Zero will be counted for all frames missed.

(f) If an injury should occur during the tournament, a zero score will be entered for all frames and games not bowled in the Team, Doubles or Singles event. A pacer may fill in for the injured bowler. Wins will only be awarded to a province in said event with a legal lineup

(g) No Food or refreshments are allowed in the bowling area and no electronic devices during play.

(h) A Province can have as many coaches as they want. Only two (2) coaches will be allowed in the playing area at any time of competition. All coaches must have Respect in Sport and be Competition Introduction certified under CTF guidelines.

(i) Prior to competition and between shifts, bowlers must remain in the bowling area. Entrants may not leave the bowling establishment or play game machines during any portion of competition, including tiebreakers. At the completion of activities each day bowlers must remain together with their coach.

(j) Participants will remain on their competition lanes until instructed by a device to move.

#### 12. BALL CERTIFICATION:

(a) No on-site ball certification is required, as only those balls listed on the World Bowling Approved Bowling Ball List may be used during this event. The list is on the World Bowling website ([www.worldbowling.org](http://www.worldbowling.org)).

(b) Immediately after the Official Practice, a ball registration form listing the bowling balls to be used will be completed and handed into the Technical Committee. Each bowler may register a maximum of six (6) balls. Bowlers may also add a new ball to their arsenal providing they have less than 6 registered. Any new ball must be added to their ball registration list during Official Practice, no new balls can be added during tournament play. All other balls must be removed from the competition site. A bowler may exchange one or more bowling balls before the first official event starts. A damaged ball can only be replaced by a registered ball. Bowlers may incorporate the aid of a Manager, Coach or Parent to transport bowling equipment between games.

(c) Using a non-registered ball will result in disqualification of the game or games in which the ball was used.

(d) Each bowler is responsible for his/her equipment after the tournament.



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(e) The Tournament Director or designate will conduct random verifications of the bowling equipment prior to the start of each squad. Inspection will include a visual inspection of the serial number

(f) Bowling ball surface adjustments by hand are acceptable between games provided they are done in the designated area and the adjustment procedure does not delay the bowler's next turn. Changing of grips or enlarging holes is acceptable during play

(g) Altering the surface of the ball, besides what is mentioned in (f), is allowed in a designated area only during the official practice session, during the practice session immediately preceding a competition round and between competition rounds. Altering the surface of the bowling ball during the game is not allowed. If the surface is adjusted during the game the penalty is zero pinfall for that game.

### 13. UNIFORMS AND IDENTIFICATION

(a) Entrants must wear designated Provincial uniforms during competition, Team shirts with Province name on back and Black Bottoms are required, this includes – Shorts, Skorts, Skirts or dress pants. Bottoms need not match other than color, if one team member decides on shorts for example the other members on the team are not required to wear the same bottoms, although it is highly recommended. Violation of dress code by any competitor will result in disqualification from the event.

(b) During the official part of the CYCs, team uniforms will identify the official party members.

(c) Sponsorship identifications shall be located on either sleeve of the participant's shirt and shall be no larger than 3" by 3".

14. POOR SPORTSMANSHIP, ABUSIVE LANGUAGE OR ABUSE OF BOWLING EQUIPMENT will not be tolerated at any time and could result in a one-frame penalty on the next frame. Bowlers are expected to abide by the fundamental rules of good sportsmanship and the rules set out by the CTF National Youth Tournament Committee. After the second warning, the one-frame penalty of "0" will be assessed. All CTF rules must be adhered to and any violation of the rules could result in immediate disqualification.

15. DRUGS, STIMULANTS OR LIQUOR WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AT ANY TIME. Prescription drugs that must be used will be cleared through the coach and tournament official and should be listed on the medical form. Should this infraction occur, that bowler would be immediately disqualified.

16. No tobacco products may be used in the bowling centre OR ANY PREMISES HOLDING AN OFFICIAL FUNCTION.

17. Any protest must be filed in writing with the Tournament Manager within 30 minutes of completion of the event under protest.



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18. Any unusual incident or medical problem must be reported immediately to the coach and/or team manager.

19. The closing date for this tournament is March 15th and the CTF National Office must receive each province's entry fee of \$800.00 by that date

20. Curfew time is 11:00 pm all athletes must be in their hotel rooms by this time.

The above rules and guidelines are set to assist the bowler in representing their Province in an admirable way and have an enjoyable trouble-free tournament.

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