

## Rules \& Regulations - McDonald's Restaurants of Guam 2013 High Schools Spring Bowling Championships

This tournament shall be called the McDonald's Restaurants of Guam 2013 High School Spring Bowling Championships. It shall be held on three consecutive Saturdays. The scheduled dates are April 13, 20 and $27,2013$. All events will be held in the Central Lanes Bowling Establishment. The purpose of this tournament is to promote and generate interest in the sport of Tenpin Bowling through competitions amongst our island's youth bowlers.

## 1. Eligibility and Composition of Divisions and Team

This championship is open to high school students from grades nine to twelve. Each participant must be currently enrolled in the high school they are representing. There will be no restrictions to the number of players a school may field. High schools that do not meet the minimum required number of players will be allowed to participate in the tournament to compete in the events they may qualify for.

## 2. Style of Play

Each game shall be bowled on a pair of lanes. Teams and/or individuals shall successively and in regular order bowl one frame on one lane, and for the next frame, alternate and use the adjoining lane, so alternating until five frames are bowled on each lane, completing the game. When any question arises as to whom of any two bowlers shall bowl first, it is incumbent upon the bowler on the right to do so.

## 3. Tournament Events

The boys and girls shall compete in the following events:
3.1 Boys and Girls Singles Event - 3 games
3.2 Boys and Girls Doubles Event - 3 games
3.3 Boys and Girls Team Event (Team of Four Players) - 3 games
3.3 Boys and Girls All Events - combined total pin falls Singles, Doubles and Team Events

## 4. Conduct of Events

4.1 Singles Event - Three games across six lanes in one block with not more than four persons from the same school scheduled on a lane when feasible.
4.2 Doubles Event - Three games across six lanes in one block with not more than four persons from the same school scheduled on a lane when feasible.
4.3 Team of Four - Three games across six lanes in one block with a maximum of one four- player team scheduled per lane.
4.4 All Events - Combined total pin falls of 4.1 and 4.2.

## 5. Practice

Practice time before each event will be as follows:
5.1 Singles - 5 minutes practice bowling
5.2 Doubles - 10 minutes practice bowling
5.3 Team of Four - 10 minutes practice bowling

## 6. Order of Bowling

One or more players scheduled on a pair of lanes. After a block of games has started, no changes will be made in the line-up.

## 7. Substitution/Extra Players

A player who has already started in an event shall not be replaced except in case of an injury or illness. A player having already participated in the same event shall not replace another player.

When a player replaces another player during a game under this rule, he/she shall begin on the frame of the incident and finish the tournament. Both the replaced player and substitute player shall not be eligible for the all events. In case of a disabled player having to leave the game, and no substitute player is available, the remaining players on the team shall continue their games for all events purposes.

## 8. Interrupted Games

The tournament officials may authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of lanes when equipment failure on the starting lanes would delay the normal progress of the series.

## 9. Bowling on Wrong Lane

A dead ball shall be declared and the player or players required to re-bowl on the correct lane when:
9.1 One player bowls on the wrong lane.
9.2 One player from each team on the pair of lanes bowls on the wrong lane.
9.2a If more than one player on the same team bowls on the wrong lane in turn, that game will be completed without adjustment. Any succeeding game must be started on the scheduled lane.

## 10. Awards

Awards shall be presented to the first, second and third place finishers in each event and division.
10.1 Singles Event

10,2 Doubles Event
10.3 Team of Four Event
10.4 All Events

The awards presentation shall be made in accordance with a predetermined plan established by the Tournament Committee. Trophies will be awarded to the winning middle school and high school based on rule 11.

## 11. Point System

Points will be awarded based on the medal count to determine the winners of the School Trophies:
First Place: 5 points
Third Place: 2 points

> Second Place: 3 points
> Fourth Place: 1 point

## 12. Tie Breaking Procedure

The player or team with the highest score in the competition will be declared the winner.
12.1 When equal scores (tie) are registered for any of the first three positions in the Team, Doubles or Singles event, co-winners will be declared. There shall be no play off for the tie. (Teams or players with equal scores will get the same awards.) In case of a tie for the first position, the next position will get the third place award. In case of a triple tie for the first position, all will get the first place award, and there will be no other medals. In case of a tie for second position, no award for the third position will be given.
12.2 When a tie occurs in the final point system, the team tied with the most first place finishes will be awarded the higher position. If a tie still exists, the tied team with the most second place finishes will be awarded and so on. Total pin falls of each tied team will be used to break any ties after the fourth place counts have been exhausted.

## 13. Slow Bowling

Bowlers preparing to step on the approach and deliver a ball, will have the following rights and obligations:
13.1 They may claim the right of way only over a player moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately to their left.
13.2 They shall yield to a playing moving to the approach or preparing to bowl on the lane immediately to the right.
13.3 Players shall be ready to bowl when it is their turn and shall not delay the start of their approach or delivery if the lane immediately adjacent to them on both the right and left lanes are clear.
13.4 If a player does not observe the procedures outlined in 13.2, 13.2 and 13.3, it may be construed as slow bowling. A player failing to observe these procedures shall be warned by an authorized tournament official as follows:
13.4a A white card for the first offense - no penalty.
13.4b A yellow card for the second offense - no penalty.
13.4c For the third offense, and each succeeding offenses thereafter in a block of games, the player shall be shown a red card and shall receive zero (0) pin falls for the frame.
Note: A block of games is defined as a set of consecutive games.

## 14. Official Written Score Sheet

Each event and/or match shall maintain a written (printed) score sheet indicating the total pin fall of each game. Each individual player or team captain shall receive a copy of the scores bowled and will be required to sign the official copy immediately after bowling to acknowledge his/her score.

## 15. Code Numbers and Lane

Code Numbers shall be drawn, and shall follow a pre-drawn schedule for lane adjustments.

## 16. Submission of Line-up

The tournament committee requests a list of all potential members by April 12, 2013. All final line-ups must be submitted to the Tournament Director two days prior to the event held.

## 17. Smoking and Drinking

All players must not smoke, consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of his/her block of games. In those instances where it is established that a player is in breach of this rule, he/she may be suspended by the Tournament Committee from the Tournament for the block of games being played. Non-alcoholic beverages are allowed provided they are not consumed in the player's area.

## 18. Approaches - Must not be defaced

The application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes but is not limited to, such substances as talcum powder, pumice and resin on shoes; also soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach are prohibited. Powder shall not be taken into the player's area.

## 19. Protest - Eligibility and General Playing Rules

Protests involving eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to a responsible tournament official not later than 24 hours after the game in which the infraction occurred or before prize presentation, whichever is sooner. When a protest involving a foul or the legality of pin falls is entered, an official representative of the school/team or individual involved may be present when evidence is taken relative to the protest. If no written protest is entered prior to the expiration period as stated, the game or games shall stand as bowled.

## 20. Protest - Errors

Errors in scoring or errors in calculation in tournament play must be corrected by a responsible tournament official immediately upon discovery of such error.

The tournament committee shall decide upon questionable errors. The time limit for filing protests on scoring errors shall be one hour from the end of the event or block of games for each day of the tournament, but must be before the prize presentation of the commencement of the next round whichever is sooner. Each protest under this rule must be specific in itself and this rule shall not be construed to cover a previous similar violation.

## 21. Tournament Management

The tournament committee shall select a manager for the tournament. He/she and his/her designated representatives shall supervise and direct the tournament.

## 22. Matters not provided for

Any matters not provided for or covered in these rules and regulations shall be governed by the Guam Bowling Congress and Federation Internationale Des Quilleurs Playing Rules and Regulations.

## 23. Fees

Each participant shall pay $\$ 10.00$ per event bowled or $\$ 30.00$ for all events.

## Saturday, April 13, 2013

10:00 a.m. Registration
10:30 a.m. Singles Event
12:30 p.m. Presentation of Awards
Saturday, April 20, 2013
10:00 a.m. Registration
10:30 a.m. Doubles Event
12:30 p.m. Presentation of Awards
Saturday, April 27, 2013
10:00 a.m. Registration
10:30 a.m. Team Event
1:30 p.m. Presentation of Awards

