

BULLETIN #1

10th World Overseas Filipino Bowling Tour 2025

WORLD OVERSEAS FILIPINO BOWLING TOUR

20-26 July 2025

Venue: Dubai International Bowling Centre,
44th Street, Al Mamzar, Dubai, UAE

10th

Hosted By:

DUBAI FILIPINO BOWLING CLUB

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GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

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10th Anniversary

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The following provisions are taken from the WOFBT General Rules and Regulations as amended and will apply to the 9th WOFBT 2024 and succeeding tours.

1. Objectives:

The World Overseas Filipino Bowling Tour is a scratch tournament being held annually after the success of the maiden tour in 2014. It is organized to bring together overseas Filipino bowling clubs/organizations around the world to foster goodwill, camaraderie, and sportsmanship. It also aims to elevate to world level and perpetuate interest in the sport of tenpin bowling among overseas Filipinos.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 Overseas Filipino Bowling Clubs or organizations registered or endorsed by the Philippine Embassy, Consulate or bowling federations in their host countries are eligible for participation in the WOFBT. Clubs from different countries or states cannot merge to form one delegation.
- 2.2 Players of the eligible clubs must be any of the following:
 - a) Natural-born Filipino with valid residence, study or work permit in his host country
 - b) Natural-born Filipino who has acquired another nationality or dual citizenship by marriage or naturalization and resides outside the Philippines
 - c) Sons and daughters of at least one overseas natural-born Filipino parent, with valid residence, study or work permit in their host country
- 2.3 Proof of eligibility of players in Sec. 2.2 must be provided. Any of the following documents will be acceptable proof of eligibility and must be provided by the club or participant prior to the tour or upon registration:
 - a) Previous or current Philippine passport copy
 - b) Certificate of Live Birth (NSO certified true copy)
 - c) Marriage Certificate showing Philippine citizenship
 - d) Philippine SSS/GSIS ID
 - e) Philippine Driver's License
 - f) Previous or current Philippine Voter's ID
 - g) Any Overseas Employment Certificate (OEC)
 - h) Seaman's Passbook (Seaman to represent corresponding overseas base only)
 - i) Naturalization Record
 - j) Other Philippine Government IDs stating Philippine Citizenship
 - k) Other official/legal documents showing Filipino ancestry
- 2.4 Foreign nationals who acquired Philippine citizenship by naturalization or adoption are not natural born and not eligible to play in this tournament.
- 2.5 Ex-OFW and overseas residents now residing in the Philippines will be allowed to join the WOFBT within three (3) years from departure from their host country. A proof of departure/visa cancellation showing the date must be provided.

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3. Playing Format:

- 3.1 Playing rules not detailed herein will be in accordance with World Bowling universal playing rules.
- 3.2 Divisions: The tour will have two separate divisions for Men & Women.
- 3.3 Events: For the 9th WOFBT 2024, only 4 events (Singles, Doubles, **Trios**, Team of 4, and Masters) will be played.

a) **Singles Event**

This event will be played in 6 games scratch to determine the Top 3 winners.

b) **Doubles Event**

Each player in this event will play 4 games scratch, and the doubles players must come from the same team. Top 3 after 4 games will be declared winners.

c) **Trios Event**

Each player in this event will play 4 games scratch, and the trios' players must come from the same team. The 4th player of the team will play make-up games on other designated lanes. Substitution within the team will be allowed after 2 games. Top 3 after 4 games will be declared winners.

d) **Team Event**

The Team Event will be played in 4 games scratch with 4 players per team. Top 3 teams will be declared winners.

e) **All Events**

The All Events standings are determined by total scores from Singles, Doubles, **Trios**, and Team Events for a total of **18** games. Top 3 in the standings will be declared winners.

f) **Masters Event**

- Top 24 Men and 16 Women from each division based on their All Events standings will qualify for the Masters Event. The cut can be adjusted as may be necessary depending on the number of participants & lane capacity; and must be declared during the HOD technical meeting.
- A total of 8 games scratch will be played, and the Top 5 will proceed to the Stepladder Finals to be conducted in this manner:

Match 1: Bowler # 3, 4 & 5 will play 1 game each simultaneously on a pair of lanes.

The winner advances to Match 2, while the 4th & 5th positions will be based on scores in this match.

Match 2: Winner of Match 1 vs. #2 seed will play 1 game each on another pair of lanes.

Match 3: Winner of Match 2 vs. #1 seed will play 1 game each on another pair of lanes.

The #1 seed has the twice to beat advantage, i.e. if he/she wins the first game, he/she will be declared winner; otherwise, another game will be played to determine the winner. In case of a tie in the championship games, there will be no tie break, and the #1 seed will be declared Masters Champion.

3.4 3rd Seniors Singles Cup

A special event for seniors, **now open to everyone (WOFBT or Non-WOFBT Participant)** aged 50 and above, will continue to be part of the WOFBT event for an additional entry fee of USD70 or AED250 each.

- There will be separate divisions for Men & Women.
- Six (6) games will be played.
- A handicap of 1 point per year for players aged 55 and above will apply per game.
- Top 5 players after 6 games will advance to the stepladder finals (the same procedure as the Masters finals).

Prizes: Trophies or medals and cash for all winners depending on the number of entries.

3.5 1st Mixed Youth Singles Cup

A special event for youth bowlers up to 18 years old as of 1st January of the year of the tournament or later will be a new part of the WOFBT event for an extra entry fee of US\$55 or AED200 each.

- There will be only one division for boys and girls.
- Six (6) games will be played.
- The following handicaps by age bracket will apply.

Age	Handicap
11 & below	10
12-14	5
15-18	0

- Top 5 players after 6 games will advance to the stepladder finals (the same procedure as the Masters finals).

Prizes: Trophies or medals and cash for all winners depending on the number of entries

1.2 Incomplete Entries

One blind score of 130 will be given to complete an entry for the Team event. Players who cannot complete a team of 4 will be allowed to participate in the event with one blind score maximum.

2. Entry Fee

- Each player will pay an entry fee of USD327 (**AED1,200**) which shall include games, prize fund, tournament T-shirts, souvenir program (printed or digital), and victory banquet.

- Entry Fees for incomplete teams/individual players will pay the following:

Singles Entry Fee: USD136 (AED500)

Doubles Entry Fee: USD190 (AED700)

N.B. Each person will pay only the highest fee if playing in more than one event.

2.3 Refunds: A deadline and percentage must be set for no show and injuries.

3. Tie Breakers

3.1 Singles, Seniors, Youth & Masters Events: The higher highest game, 2nd highest game, 3rd highest game and so forth in that order will be used to break the tie.

3.2 Doubles, Trios and Team Events: The higher highest total per game, 2nd highest total per game, 3rd highest total per game and so forth in that order will be used to break the tie.

3.3 All Events: The higher Singles Event total, Doubles Event total, and Team Event total scores in that order will be used to break the tie.

3.4 For further ties, one-ball roll-off on a full set of pins will be used and repeated until the tie is broken.

4. Prizes:

4.1 WOFBT Medals and cash prizes will be awarded to the Top 3 winners in each event.

4.2 An Overall Champions' Trophy for the club that garnered the most points in the tournament will be awarded as per point system below:

Position	Singles Event	Doubles Event	Trios Event	Team Event	All Events	Masters Event
Gold	8	8	8	10	8	8
Silver	5	5	5	7	5	5
Bronze	2	2	2	4	2	2

6.2.1 Only clubs with both Men's and Women's Teams participating are eligible for the Overall Championship. The delegation's seeded pair of teams must be declared prior to the first event of the tournament.

6.2.2 Additional teams from either division in the team allocations can only vie for the event prizes but not the Overall Championship.

4.3 A Perpetual Overall Champion's Trophy will show the names of Overall Champions engraved. The hosts will have the responsibility for its safekeeping, display during each and every tour, and turnover to the succeeding hosts who will assume the same responsibility.

4.4 At the minimum, cash prizes will be based on the number of participating teams, however, hosts are not precluded from offering higher cash prizes through sponsorships.

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5. Dress Code

- 5.1 Bowlers are required to be dressed with a sense of decorum and in accordance with accepted Standards. Prohibited attires include the following:

Cropped pants, shorts/Bermudas (for men), denim blue jeans, sleeveless shirts (singlets), workout attire (sweat pants, yoga pants, leggings, etc.), and caps/headgear (except for medical reasons only with supporting document from a medical professional)

Women may wear pants, shorts, skirts, culottes, skorts, and tights worn under a shorts/skirt.

Players not observing the dress code may not be allowed to play the game then being played until the dress code is complied with.

- 5.2 Head phones and earphones are not allowed when bowlers are on the approach to bowl.
- 5.3 Participants must wear the official tournament T-shirt during the Singles Event.

6. Tardiness, Substitution & Team Reshuffling

- 6.1 Singles, Doubles, **Trios** and Team Events:

Tardy bowlers will be allowed to bowl from the frame then being bowled, but not after the 5th frame of the game. Zero point will be recorded for every frame missed. If the tardy player missed an entire game, the blind score of 130 per game will be awarded to the Doubles, Trios, or Team, not to the tardy bowler, and he/she would have missed the total number of games required to qualify for the All Events standings.

- 6.2 Substitution for a tardy player will be allowed provided the substitute is eligible and has not played in the Singles Event with another team/club. The tardy player may play the succeeding games at the discretion of the team/club.

- 6.3 Substitution for an injured player will be allowed provided the following are met:

8.3.1 The substitute is eligible and from the same delegation/club.

8.3.2 If the injury occurred prior to the Singles Event, the HOD or his representative must advise the tournament committee in writing (revised Entry Form) with a revised team composition provided the Singles Event has not started.

8.3.3 For all other injuries/accidents that occurred after the Singles event, a substitute may play provided he/she has not played in the Singles Event. Otherwise, a blind score of 130/game will apply.

- 6.4 Masters Event:

Lane draw for all qualifiers will be conducted at the official time announced, at least 30 minutes prior to roll off, and physical presence will be required. Call on reserves present will be done 10 minutes prior to roll off. Players must be at the bowling center 1 hour before the roll-off as a standard procedure. Time will be based on the center's clock.

7. Pacers

No pacers are allowed throughout the tournament unless appointed by the Tournament Management.

8. Interrupted Game(s)

The Tournament Manager or his appointed official(s) on duty may authorize the completion of a game and/or series on another pair of lanes when equipment failure on the starting lanes delays the normal progress of the series. An interrupted game and/or series, which cannot be completed, must resume from the points of interruption.

9. Bowling on Wrong Lane

When the bowler(s) bowl(s) on the wrong lane(s) and the error is discovered before another bowler has bowled, a dead ball shall be declared and the bowler(s) will be required to re-bowl on the correct lane(s). If the error is not discovered until the opposing bowler has bowled, the score shall count and the bowler shall be required to bowl his subsequent frame(s) on the correct lane.

10. 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 not limited to such substances as talcum powder, pumice and resin on shoes. Soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach are prohibited.

11. Resurfacing of Bowling Balls

Players may resurface their bowling balls between games, not during a game, at a designated area or with the proshop.

12. Slow Bowling & Lane Courtesy

Players shall be ready to bowl when it is their turn and shall not delay the start of their approach or delivery when the pairs immediately adjacent to them on both the right and left are clear (one-pair lane courtesy). Competitors must always observe one (1) pair lane courtesy. Competitors on the same pair may not bowl consecutive deliveries without allowing one (1) competitor from the pair to the right and one (1) competitor from the pair to the left have made a delivery, unless those competitors are not ready to bowl, or they give way.

13. Deliberate Foul

When a player deliberately fouls to benefit by the claiming of a foul, the player shall receive zero pin fall for that delivery and shall not be allowed any further deliveries in that frame. Such action may be regarded as an attempt to gain an unfair advantage.

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14. Etiquette & Unsportsmanlike Conduct

Bowlers are requested to refrain from swearing on the lanes and exercise consideration for all participants and tournament officials. Any bowler found to be in violation of this provision will receive a warning from the Host Tournament Manager or his official representative for the day for the first offense. On succeeding offenses, the player will receive zero point on the frame/frames then being bowled.

As part of this rule, bullying of other bowlers and tournament officials openly or covertly for whatever reason will not be tolerated and will carry the same penalty stated in this rule. For repeated offences, penalty will be disqualification from the event being played.

15. Loss of Scores

In the event of power failure/TV monitor black out or equipment failure in the progress of the game, and game scores could not be traced after power supply resumes, bowler(s) concerned have to re-bowl that game. However, previous games where the score have been duly recorded shall remain unchanged.

16. Protests Procedure

Protests must be filed in writing within 30 minutes after the event where the incursion occurred. Appeals on decisions must be filed in writing to the Tournament Management within one hour of the decision.

17. Interpretation Clause

Matters not covered herein will be decided upon by the Host Tournament Management and WOFBT Executive Council in accordance with standard rules, and the decision shall be final.

18. Amendments

Proposed amendments to the general rules & regulations must be submitted to the WOFBT Executive Council not less than three (3) months prior to the next tour. Any amendment to these Standard Rules & Regulations shall be presented during the post tournament meeting and must be agreed by at least 70% of participating clubs for final review and consideration by the WOFBT Executive Council.

19. Other information - Souvenir Prog., Deadlines, Bowling Centre

Tournament forms and other information are attached in the annexures.

SOUVENIR PROGRAM - Materials Required

1. Brief Club Profile including achievements
2. Officers
3. Group Photos (High resolution)

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FORMS & DEADLINES - Please fill in the forms and observe deadlines strictly.

Form A - Entry Form	30 April 2025
Form C - Names in Delegation & T-Shirt Sizes	30 April 2025 (or ASAP)
Form B - Hotel & Flight Information	31 May 2025
Souvenir Program Materials	31 May 2025
Player's ID Photo	30 June 2025

BOWLING CENTRE INFORMATION - DUBAI INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CENTRE

Number of lanes	36
Type of Surface	Brunswick Synthetic
Pin setters	Brunswick Pre GS-X
Pins	QubicAMF 3.52 lbs.
Scoring system	AMF Conqueror Pro
Oiling machine	Kegel Flex Walker
Type of Conditioner	Kegel Fire
Type of Cleaner	Defense CX-4
Ball Storage	Yes, inside the bowling centre

20. Other information - Hotel & Transport

An official travel agency has been designated to assist all participants with regards to hotel bookings and transportation of which details are available in Form B. Details and Form B will be sent separately soon.

The organizing committee encourages participants to use the official hotels as special arrangements will be in place for your convenience.

HOTEL INFORMATION - (PLEASE USE FORM B FOR BOOKING - TO FOLLOW)

Hotel Inquiries and Bookings must be sent to:

7C Travel and Tours - Ms. Marjorie Mercado,

Email: admin@7ctravelandtours.com

Mob. Nos.: +639289039277 and/or +965 66134591 (Call/WhatsApp)

Cc to: dfbc@dfbc-uae.com and worldoverseasfilipinobowling@gmail.com

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21.Contact Details - Host Organizing Committee & WOFBT Executive Council

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DUBAI INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CENTRE, AL MAMZAR, DUBAI, U.A.E.

FORM-A: ENTRY FORM

Club/Association (Full name of club and country):

Date : _____
To : DUBAI FILIPINO BOWLING CLUB
Re : 10th WOFBT 2025

We will participate with (please ☒ as appropriate):

- ☐ _____ Men's Teams (4 bowlers)
- ☐ _____ Women's Team (4 bowlers)
- ☐ _____ Seniors Event
- ☐ _____ Mixed Youth Event (up to 18 Y.O.)
- ☐ _____ Supporters/officials

Signature: _____

Name: _____
Club President

N.B.:

Deadline for submission of entry form on **30 April 2025**

To: Hashim Guinomla (dfbc@dfbc-uae.com) & Olan Baldivino (dfbc@dfbc-uae.com)

Cc: WOFBT (worldoverseasfilipinobowling@gmail.com)

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FORM-C1: DELEGATION / REGISTRATION / T-SHIRT SIZE

Club/Association (Full name of club and country):

MEN'S TEAM PLAYERS			
Name (first name, family name)	Function	Email / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size
	Male Player		
	Male Player		
	Male Player		
	Male Player		

WOMEN'S TEAM PLAYERS			
Name (first name, family name)	Function	Email / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size
	Female Player		
	Female Player		
	Female Player		
	Female Player		

OFFICIALS			
Name (first name, family name)	Function	Email / Phone No. / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size

(If you don't have enough space for this form, you can use another sheet)

N.B.:

DEADLINE: 30 April 2025 (to give time for ordering of tournament jerseys)

To: Hashim Guinomla (dfbc@dfbc-uae.com) & Olan Baldivino (dfbc@dfbc-uae.com)

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FORM-C2: DELEGATION / REGISTRATION / T-SHIRT SIZE

Club/Association (Full name of club and country):

SENIORS EVENT (MALE / FEMALE)			
Name (first name, family name)	Gender (M or W)	Email / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size

MIXED YOUTH EVENT (MALE / FEMALE)			
Name (first name, family name)	Gender (M or W)	Email / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size

OFFICIALS			
Name (first name, family name)	Function	Email / Phone No. / Facebook ID	T-Shirt Size

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