

## Bowling

### 1. RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1.1 The JCC Maccabi Games Bowling competition shall be conducted under the following rules and regulations for all age/gender groups except as they may be modified by the Sports Advisory Committee (SAC) of the Continental Governing Body (CGB).
- 1.2 The competition in bowling shall be conducted in accordance with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) rules in force at the time of competition. In the event of a conflict between the USBC rules and the rules and regulations below, the JCC Maccabi Games rules shall apply and be binding.
- 1.3 The Organizing Committee of the Host Community shall establish a Bowling Committee, with an overall bowling commissioner, to oversee and run the competition, and to resolve any controversies that arise. The decisions of the Bowling Committee and/or the overall bowling commissioner with respect to protests, disputes, and appeals shall be final. Protests must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) minutes after the completion of a game, and shall relate solely to the interpretation of the rules.
- 1.4 Prior to the start of the Games all rules questions shall be resolved by the Bowling Committee, in consultation with the SAC, in accordance with the USBC rules in force during the previous bowling season (See Rule 1.2).
- 1.5 Rachmanus Rule--Rachmanus plays a key role in athletics and the JCC Maccabi Games. Compassion and good sportsmanship shall be displayed by athletes, coaches and spectators at all times during the JCC Maccabi games both on and off of the playing field. For more information on the Rachmanus rule please refer to Appendix 1.

### 2. PARTICIPANTS

- 2.1 There shall be no limit on the number of bowlers a delegation may bring.
- 2.2 The Organizing Committee of the Host Community may petition the Sports Advisory Committee to establish a roster limit, but such a limit shall not be less than twelve (12), and there shall be no

restrictions on the number of athletes a delegation may enter in any age/gender division within that roster limit.

### **3. COMPETITION FORMAT**

- 3.1 All events shall be played according to the American scoring system on one (1) pair of lanes. During competition, bowlers shall rotate lanes according to standard competition or league practices.
- 3.2 Only bowlers, scorekeepers, referees, and coaches shall be allowed in the bowler's area (also known as settee area).
- 3.3 The scorekeeper of the tournament shall be appointed by the Bowling Committee and shall be the only person to make changes to scores.
- 3.4 No more than four (4) bowlers per lane.
- 3.5 Competition shall begin no later than 9:30 am each day with at least a ten (10) minute warm up period.

### **4. TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

- 4.1 The Sports Advisory Committee recommended format for the bowling competition is outlined below. All requests for change shall conform to all the requirements for competition set down in the general rules and must be submitted in writing to JCC Association for final approval from the SAC by May 1st.
  - 4.1.1 Day one—singles competition—(a series of 9 games bowled in three (3) different sessions will be conducted during the first two (2) days of JCC Maccabi competition) three (3) games in the morning, lunch break, and three (3) games in the afternoon.
  - 4.1.2 Day two—continuation of singles competition—three (3) games.
    - 4.1.2.1 Medals for singles completion shall be awarded for the top total score for the nine games bowled in each age/gender division.
    - 4.1.2.2 Medals for the singles competition shall also be awarded for the top scratch series and top scratch game in each of the age/gender divisions.

4.1.3 Day three–Doubles competition three (3) games within age group and gender-this is a handicapped competition using the nine games from singles competition. If less than 3 teams, divisions will be combined. The Bowling Committee shall match the highest average bowler with the lowest average bowler, and so on until all bowlers have been assigned. A bowler's average shall be determined using their nine-game scores from the singles competition.

4.1.3.1 Doubles medals (one Gold, Silver and Bronze)\* will be awarded during doubles competition for the high game handicap as well as the high series handicap.

\*Note: Bowlers may only win one medal per competition (i.e. Gold medal winner for high game scratch may not win Silver medal for high series scratch).

4.1.4 Day four–team competition three games (3)–this is a handicapped competition. The Bowling Committee shall match up four (4)-person mixed teams with boys and girls from different cities, if possible. The highest average bowler shall be paired with the lowest average bowler, and so on until all bowlers have been assigned. A bowler's average shall be determined using the nine (9) games from singles competition.

4.1.4.1 Team medals (one Gold, Silver and Bronze)\* will be awarded during doubles competition for the high game handicap as well as the high series handicap.

\*Note: Bowlers may only win one medal per competition (i.e. Gold medal winner for high game scratch may not win Silver medal for high series scratch).

4.2 Handicap rule–each bowler's individual handicap shall be determined by taking their average and subtracting that number from 220, and multiplying that difference by 80%.

$$\begin{array}{r} 220 \text{ Handicap base} \\ - 120 \text{ bowler's average} \\ 100 \\ \hline \text{X } .80 \text{ handicap percentage} \\ \hline 80 \end{array}$$

## 5. DRESS

- 5.1 Bowling shoes are required. A competitor need not bring his/her own bowling shoes or ball, but will be allowed to do so if he/she desires.
- 5.2. Competitors shall wear their delegation T-shirt or delegation shirt with a collar.
- 5.3 A competitor taking part in the medal ceremony must wear shoes and his/her competition uniform.

**6. MEDALS**

The following medals shall be awarded for individual and team competition as appropriate:

First Place	JCC Maccabi Gold Medal
Second Place	JCC Maccabi Silver Medal
Third Place	JCC Maccabi Bronze Medal