



# AUSTRALIAN TENPIN BOWLING SENIORS ORGANISATION OF A.C.T. (INC)

## By-Laws of Australian Tenpin Bowling Seniors Organisation Of Australian Capital Territory Incorporated

1. The Annual Membership Fee for the ATBSO of ACT (Inc.) shall be determined by the members at the Annual General Meeting each year for the subsequent year. The fee will consist of:
  - the annual fee payable to the ATBSO (National) Inc, as set at the latest Annual General Meeting of the ATBSO (National) to cover administrative costs; and
  - the balance of the fee, to be used for the running of the ATBSO of ACT (Inc).
2. Members nominating for the Interstate Challenge team must pay a non-refundable nomination fee at the time of submitting their nomination form. The amount of this fee shall be determined each year by the Committee of the ATBSO of ACT (Inc) and notified to the members in the State Teams Challenge Official Nomination form. This fee shall be directed towards the costs of team participation in the Interstate Challenge. They must also be over 45 or turn 45 in the calendar year of the challenge.
3. Each year a fee shall be payable by all bowlers and officials making the ATBSO of ACT (Inc) Interstate Challenge Team. The amount of this fee will be determined each year by the Committee of the ATBSO of ACT (Inc), and notified to the members in the State Teams Challenge Official Nomination form. This fee shall be directed towards the costs of team participation in the Interstate Team Challenge.
4. a. All bowlers that have made the Representative Teams ,where possible, compete in all remaining ATBSO of ACT (Inc) events prior to competing in the ATBSO (N) Challenge for that year.  
  
b. Once representative teams have been selected all ATBSO of ACT (Inc) events prior to the Nationals will be compulsory.
5. The ATBSO of ACT (Inc) Masters Representatives for ACT for the ATBSO (N) Masters Tournament will be selected from the Team Selection Trials for that year.
6. Bowlers in the Men's Open Division of the Masters Qualifying shall compete for the "**John Zoratti Memorial Trophy**".
7. The ATBSO of ACT (Inc) shall run the following event each calendar year:
  - **ATBSO of ACT (Inc.) Interstate Teams Challenge Selection Trial**





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This event shall be for the purpose of selecting a team for each Division of the Interstate Teams Challenge. This event shall be run according to the directions in By-Law 9.

8. The Selection Trial for the Interstate Challenge team to represent the ATBSO (Inc) of ACT shall be held over two days, bowling 16 games,. The dates, times and structure are to be determined by the Committee.
9. A bowler wishing to nominate for the ATBSO of ACT (Inc) State Team Challenge Selection tournament in a particular calendar year , where possible, have competed in at least four (4) ATBSO of ACT (Inc) events OR TBA Ranked Seniors events within the past twelve-month period prior to the Team Roll Offs. Note that bowlers may claim an exemption from competing in the ATBSO events by reason of competing in one or more Ranked Seniors events.
10. All members that bowl in a TBA Ranked Seniors event are responsible for their scores being returned to the Tournament Director as proof of their participation in the ranked event.
11. A bowler's average will have been established over a minimum of 18 games of play in ATBSO (ACT) events. An exception from this may only be granted by the Committee in exceptional circumstances, for example returning from serious/life threatening illness.
12. All members of the ATBSO of ACT (Inc) are encouraged to actively participate in any fundraising activities organised or held by the Committee. Contributions made by the ATBSO of ACT (Inc) to all members of the Interstate Challenge Team and Masters Representatives shall be on a basis proportionate with those members' involvement in the Organisation's fund-raising activities.
13. As far as is practicable, all members of the Interstate Challenge Team may stay in the same accommodation venue or an accommodation venue of their own choosing whilst competing in the ATBSO (National) Championships and the Interstate Teams Challenge.
14. A Team Captain shall be elected for each Division of the Interstate Challenge Team by each Division's members.
15. Once appointed, and in particular during the Interstate Teams Challenge at the ATBSO (National) Championships for that calendar year, the Team Manager and the Team Captain shall consult with each other on all matters affecting the team. In the case of the Team Line-up for each game, if the Manager and Captain cannot reach agreement, the Team Manager shall have the final decision.





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16. The Australian Capital Territory COAT of ARMS is to appear on all the ATBSO of ACT (Inc.) representative shirts.

**NOTE: THESE BY-LAWS REPLACE ALL EXISTING BY-LAWS AS AT NOVEMBER 2023**