



Sports Discipline : **TENPIN BOWLING**
Implementing NSA : **PHILIPPINE BOWLING FEDERATION INC.**

GENERAL GUIDELINES ON THE MANAGEMENT AND CONDUCT OF PLAY

I. ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ)/ MODIFIED ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MECQ)

Under the Inter-Agency Task Force for the management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) guidelines, sports-related activities such as games, tournaments, trainings, and championships are not allowed under the ECQ and MECQ.

Additionally, bowling centers, regardless of location, are not allowed to operate and under such circumstances, the Philippine Bowling Federation (PBF) and its member bowling associations have cancelled scheduled tournaments while venues are unavailable.

In the event that the quarantine status is relaxed, and the Inter-Agency Task Force on the management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) would reconsider non-contact sports including Tenpin Bowling to resume with the opening of all bowling centers, then a **NEW NORMAL** playing style will be implemented to conform to the health and safety measure and social/physical distancing.

Following pages are the New Lane Movement for all games - practice, league, or sanctioned tournament. Also listed are additional relevant rules.

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A. New Lane Movement

The Dual lane style of play will remain the same per World Bowling General Rule 2.2.1 dated Sept. 2019 – one game shall be played on two lanes (a pair) immediately adjoining each other, bowlers shall successively and in regular order bowl one frame on one lane, and for the next frame alternate and use the other lane until five frames are bowled on each lane of the pair.

Only the starting lanes are changed since all athletes will start on even numbered lanes, this may or may not affect time or length of game.

1. Only a maximum of 4 bowlers per lane pair is allowed, ergo only singles, doubles and 4-man teams are playable.
2. The seats in the SETTEE AREA are labeled A, B, C, D per Diagram 1.
3. Each bowler is given a designated number - #1, #2, #3, #4 and must occupy assigned seats at the start of the game per Diagram 1. #1 on A, #2 on B, #3 on C and #4 on D.
4. The bowler not due at the approach to take a shot must always remain seated.
5. All Games must start on EVEN numbered lane, with #1 starting first until the frame is finished after which #1 will proceed with the next frame on the ODD number lane and occupy seat D.
6. #2, #3 and #4 will move counterclockwise to take the next seat to the right, #2 to A, #3 to B and #4 to C.
7. #2 will then bowl his first ball then take his/her seat as soon as the ball is scored, after which #1 will alternate bowling with his/her next ball.

Every frame must be completed by each bowler bowling in this counterclockwise rotation.

When the bowler on the approach has finished the frame, the counterclockwise rotation will start again until the entire 10 frames or 1 game is finished.

8. Bowlers will continue to move counterclockwise until all the games are over.

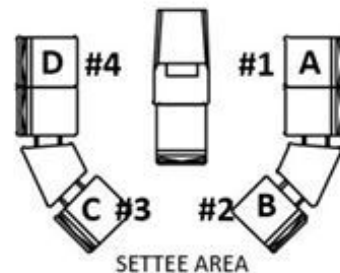
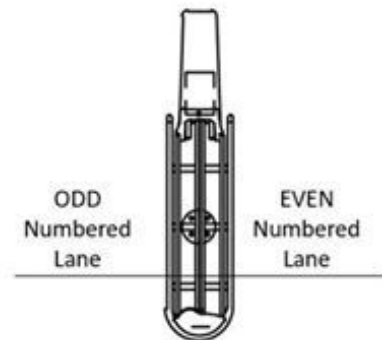


Diagram 1

B. World Bowling Rules 2.10.1 and 4.10.2

World Bowling rule 2.10.1 already approves the use of Rubbing Alcohol (Isopropyl), thus only 4.10.2 is relaxed to

- a) Altering the surface of the bowling ball during a game is allowed with the application of Rubbing Alcohol (Isopropyl) ONLY at any given frame and will not be subject to penalty.



- b) However, altering the surface of the bowling ball other than application of Rubbing Alcohol (Isopropyl) during a game is still not allowed. If the surface is adjusted during a game the penalty is zero pinfall in that game.

C. Application of alcohol on bowling balls

1. To ensure safety of all athletes, alcohol is not allowed to be sprayed directly unto the bowling ball. Instead alcohol must be applied to ball towels then to bowling balls.
2. Bowlers must provide their own individual plastic tray/containers for their rosin bags, towels, and other personal paraphernalia. Bowlers must always bring this tray/ container during seat rotation and must be stored under their assigned seats while bowling their frame.
3. It is advisable that bowlers bring their own supply of alcohol.
4. Floors and approaches must always be inspected. Liquid must not get to the floor or approaches and unto bowling shoes.

D. Body English and Cheering

1. To ensure safety of all athletes, passing of high fives or any triumphant moment that requires physical contact are not allowed.
2. Body English must be confined within the lane.
3. Athletes are advised to remain at their designated seats while cheering.

E. Spectator Guidelines

1. Bowler's companions are not allowed at the settee area and will be restricted at the concourse observing proper physical distancing.
2. Everyone must always wear masks and must refrain physical contact with the athletes.

F. Health and Safety Requirements

In addition to strictly observing social/physical distancing, the following precautionary measures must be implemented in the bowling centers as follows:

Venue:

1. Proprietor must ensure that all personnel particularly lane men and mechanics who are in contact with athlete's equipment are all tested COVID-19 free.
2. Thermal scanning must be performed on all persons entering the bowling center.
3. Disinfectant Mats must be installed in all entrance of the bowling center.
4. All personnel, spectators and bowlers must always wear masks.
5. Proprietor must ensure that there is alcohol available per lane pair.
6. Proprietor must ensure that ball returns and settee area are disinfected daily, preferably after every new customer.
7. Proprietor must mark settee for physical distancing as per Diagram 1.
8. Alcohol and Hand Sanitizers must be provided at the bowling counters, snack bar counter and toilets.



9. Proprietor must re-arrange furniture at spectator concourse area to conform to physical distancing.

Playing Athlete:

1. Must wear protective gear such as N95 mask and goggles.
2. Must clean bowling ball and hand with alcohol as much as possible.
3. Physical contact with any athlete during and while inside the venue is not allowed or must be minimized.
4. Must provide their own plastic tray/containers for their rosin bags, towels, and other personal paraphernalia.

G. Additional Precaution

As long as there is no cure and/or vaccine for Covid-19, the precautionary measures listed in this GENERAL GUIDELINES ON THE MANAGEMENT AND CONDUCT OF PLAY must still be observed particularly in:

1. Sanctioned official tournaments of all PBF member bowling associations.
2. PBF member bowling associations leagues and practices.
3. All bowling activities in general.

