To all WTBA member federations

2015 World Senior Championships
2015 WSrC will be held at Sam’s Town, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA 23 – 30 August 2015. You can find all information about the championships on WSrC website www.2015wsrC.worldbowling.org/

So far 14 countries have registered to participate. A few have also informed they will not participate. **What is your intention?** We ask you to send Form A as soon as possible, telling you will participate or not. It will help us much in our preparations to know as soon as possible. Form A is attached to this Newsletter.

2015 WSrC Bulletin 1 was sent out to all member federations January 2, 2015 and you can find the Bulletin and all forms on [www.worldbowling.org/events/championships](http://www.worldbowling.org/events/championships) and on 2015 WSrC website

If you have questions about 2015 WSrC email 2015worldsenior@worldbowling.org

2015 WSrC Lane pattern
The two lane pattern categories during 2015 WSrC will be Medium and Long. The definite lane patterns to be used within these two categories will be announced at the Team Managers meeting.

2015 World Women Championships (WWC)
2015 WWC will be held in Abu Dhabi, UAE December 5 – 14, 2015.

2015 WWC Bulletin 1 was sent out April 7 and is available on [www.worldbowling.org/events/championships](http://www.worldbowling.org/events/championships) and on [2015 WWC website](http://www.2015wwc.worldbowling.org/)

FIQ Congress will be held December 15 (in the morning)
WTBA Congress will be held December 15 (afternoon) + December 16, 2015.

Questions about the championship contact 2015WWWc@worldbowling.org
For all questions about room reservations please contact the Centro Capital Centre directly groups.ccc@rotana.com

Invitation to 2020 Olympics
The organizing Committee for 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, Japan has invited current non-medal sports, among them bowling, to apply to be included in 2020 Olympics. A few new sports may be part of the game.

World Bowling is now working on the application. We have asked our zones to collect some information from federations. If your zone ask you we hope you will answer very soon.
WTBA Statutes and Playing Rules
WTBA Statutes and Playing rules effective 1 January 2015 are available to download on World Bowling website www.worldbowling.org/regulations/

We remind you about the new rule 11.12.2 effective from 1 June 2014. The new 11.12.2 will be as follows:

Holes or indentations for gripping purposes shall not exceed five and shall be limited to one for each finger and one for the thumb, all for the same hand. The player is not required to use all finger holes in any specific delivery, but they must be able to demonstrate, with the same hand, that each gripping hole can be simultaneously used for gripping purposes. Any thumb hole that is not used for gripping purposes during the delivery would be classified as a balance hole.

Updated Rule book will be available on www.worldbowling.org on June 1, 2015.

Next WTBA Executive Board meeting
Next WTBA Executive Board meeting will be held August 8-9, 2015 in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Member federations which want to submit proposals they wish to be considered by the WTBA Executive Board have to send the proposals to WTBA Secretary General latest July 8, 2015.

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