

Competition Committee Report

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- a. World Championship combined formats
 - a. Format change to groupings format
 - i. 32 men federations and 32 women federations, 6 athletes per federation
 - ii. Doubles, Trios and Team are played in Baker's format
 - iii. Singles
 1. Round 1 - 192 singles divided into 6 groups of 32 athletes Each group is subdivided into 4 subgroups with 8 athletes each
 - a. Groups are seeded according to previous championships
 - b. Athletes bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for draw
 2. Round 2 - 24 athletes, composed of the winner from each subgroup
 - a. They will be divided into 4 groups of 6 athletes with pre-determined schedule
 - b. Athletes will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw
 3. Semi-finals and finals
 - a. The winner from each group will proceed to the semi-finals
 - b. They will be seeded according to their points in round 2
 - c. If there is a tie for seeding positions, you add the points from round 1 and 2
 - d. Further ties will be determined by a coin flip
 - e. Best of three games for position 1 vs 4, 2 vs 3 and the finals
 - iv. Doubles
 1. Round 1 – 96 doubles divided into 3 groups of 32 doubles. Each group is subdivided into 4 subgroups with 8 doubles each
 - a. Top 2 doubles in each subgroup advances to Round 2

- b. Doubles will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for draw
- 2. Round 2
 - a. They will be divided into 4 groups of 6 doubles with pre-determined schedule
 - b. Doubles will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw
- 3. Semi-finals and finals
 - a. The winner from each group will proceed to the semi-finals
 - b. They will be seeded according to their points in round 2
 - c. If there is a tie for seeding positions, you add the points from round 1 and 2
 - d. Further ties will be determined by a coin flip
 - e. Best of three games for position 1 vs 4, 2 vs 3 and the finals

v. Trios

- 1. Round 1 – 64 trios divided into 2 groups of 32 trios
Each group is subdivided into 4 subgroups with 8 trios each
 - a. Top 2 trios in each subgroup advances to Round 2
 - b. Trios will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for draw
- 2. Round 2
 - a. They will be divided into 2 groups of 8 trios with pre-determined schedule
 - b. Trios will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw
- 3. Semi-finals and finals
 - a. The top 2 from each group will proceed to the semi-finals
 - b. They will be seeded according to their points in round 2
 - c. If there is a tie for seeding positions, you add the points from round 1 and 2
 - d. Further ties will be determined by a coin flip
 - e. Best of three games for position 1 vs 4, 2 vs 3 and the finals

vi. Team

- 1. Round 1 – One group of 32 teams. Each group is subdivided into 4 subgroups with 8 teams each
 - a. Teams will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for draw

2. Round 2

- a. Top 2 teams in each subgroup advances to Round 2
- b. They will be in 1 group of 8 teams with pre-determined schedule
- c. Teams will bowl round robin and will be awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw

3. Semi-finals and finals

- a. The top 4 from round 2 will proceed to the semi-finals
- b. They will be seeded according to their points in round 2
- c. If there is a tie for seeding positions, you add the points from round 1 and 2
- d. Further ties will be determined by a coin flip
- e. Best of three games for position 1 vs 4, 2 vs 3 and the finals
- f. Line up changes are allowed after each game, prior to the start of the game

- vii. Ties in all disciplines to proceed to a next round will be determined by a 9th and 10th frame roll off
- viii. Current masters format will be eliminated
- ix. An all-events medal will be awarded based on standings in each discipline. Ties will be declared co-medalists
- x. Over-all federation champion medals will be awarded based on the sum of finishing positions in each discipline.
 - 1. Singles will be multiplied by 1, Doubles by 2, Trios by 3 and Team by 5
 - 2. The winner is the federation with the least number of points
 - 3. Ties will be declared co-medalists

b. World Singles format

- 1. Will be played with the same manner as the singles event in the World Championships Combined format
- 2. Size of groups and sub-groups will be determined by the number of entries received

- c. Slow bowling –recommend to the technical committee to conduct a study for implementing 30-second rule automatically from a clock that can be installed on each lane. Slow bowling lanes will appear red on the screen.

- d. ETBF proposals - The committee supports proposal number 5
- e. Japan proposal - The committee supports the proposal
- f. Number bibs
 - 4.18.3 World Bowling may require all athletes to wear identification numbers during all competition. The identification shall not contain sponsorship not approved by World Bowling.
- g. Warm up
 - 5.4.5 Notwithstanding 5.4.4, World Bowling tournament management may, in their sole discretion, allow warm-up on championship lanes in circumstances in which athletes are required to compete on lanes not previously used in the championships, or lanes that have been retired in the championships.
- h. New Scoring System – The committee recommends it be used for all future World Junior and World Youth championships
- i. World Games – the committee supports the current proposal on 7.3.1
- j. Sanctioning of tournaments
 - 3.8.4 Athletes participating in unapproved tournaments, which require approval, as described herein, may be subject to penalty by the national federation of the athlete.

The committee supports the proposed change of 3.2.1

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