

BY-LAWS OF THE UNITED TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION Inc.

1. The Association shall collect a membership fee for the Association from individuals who bowl in accredited competition or as unattached individuals and all who are interested in the sport of bowling in the Jurisdiction of the Association.
2. The Annual general Meeting of the Association will be within 6 weeks after the 31st day of December each year.
3. All Leagues that wish to be represented on the Council of Delegates will elect their delegate for the ensuing 12 months at their Annual General Meeting.
4. Nominations for Directors of the Association shall be in writing, signed by the Nominee, Proposer and Secunder and must be in the hands of the Association's Secretary or duly appointed person at by the date shown on the nomination form. The Nominee, Proposer and Secunder must all be registered members of this Association.
5. After the date for nominations has closed and the credentials of all signatories have been verified, the names of Nominees will be sent to the Leagues.
6. Not more than one member of any immediate family, including a de facto relationship, shall be an Officer on the Executive Board of Directors at the same time.
7. Voting rights at the Annual General Meeting are vested in the Directors and the Council of Delegates and Life Members, however other members of the Association may attend the meeting and by invitation of the Chairperson may enter into the discussions, but will have no voting rights.
The Chairperson at the Annual General Meeting shall cast a vote on any matters arising from the meeting, however in the event of a hung result, shall have the deciding vote.
8. If an elected League Delegate is unable to attend the Annual General Meeting, the League President or an alternate appointed by the President of that League, may attend and vote as a representative of that League.
9. The Board of Directors may consist of a President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Director and Centre Delegates.
10. Voting will be based on the primary voting system
11. Regular ordinary meetings of the Board of Directors may be scheduled at approximately six week intervals.
12. Any Director who fails to attend two consecutive ordinary meetings, without prior notification to the Board shall automatically forfeit their right to continue as a Director.
13. At any properly constituted meeting of the Board of Directors the quorum shall be 50% plus one of the Directors.
14. The Board of Directors may appoint any Committees it deems necessary for the efficient running of the Association.
15. All Leagues shall provide the Secretary or a duly appointed person of the Association, with a copy of their rules (and any subsequent amendments) on formation/reformation and a copy of the League Standing Sheet as at the 30th November in each year to enable the Association to determine bowler averages. Leagues must also submit their final standing sheet at the conclusion of each season.
16. The Board of Directors shall have the right to inspect the books and records of any League at any time on written request.

17. A copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the Association shall, on request be given to the Secretary of an accredited League and shall be available at all times for perusal in the Association Office.
18. The Association shall conduct an Annual Tournament, the winners of which shall be declared the Area Association Champions in the categories contested, which may include team events, doubles, individual and all events class, for both male and female bowlers, separately or mixed, for Adult, Youth and Junior bowlers.
19. **CHEQUES**
Cheques drawn on the bank account and all other negotiable instruments will be signed, firstly by a member of the Executive, and one other person duly authorized by the Board of Directors.
20. Other than the normal day to day operating expenses of the Association, any one off purchases or expenses in excess of \$500 must be ratified by the Board of Directors
21. **BANKRUPCY.**
Persons who are declared bankrupt or go into voluntary bankruptcy cannot hold line office positions in any league or Association while they are legally bankrupt. Persons wishing to hold a position in a league or Association after they become solvent must produce verification and notify this Association of their intention first
22. **LIFE MEMBERSHIP:**
Any member of this Association, with the support of a Secunder, may nominate another member for Life Membership of the Association, by submitting their name and background to the President not less than one calendar month prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Association, where it will require a two thirds affirmative vote.
The Board of Directors will first check the bona fides of the candidate and make a recommendation to the Delegates at the Annual General Meeting.
The candidates for Life Membership must have met the following criteria:
 - (i) Must have been a member of either CTBAM, MTBA or UTBA in good standing for a combined period of at least fifteen (15) years.
 - (ii) Must have served the Association and/or its Committee for at least fifteen (15) years.
 - (iii) Must have been instrumental in providing the Association with goods and services of an exceptional nature.
 - (iv) Must have promoted the Association's aims and ideals at all times.Life Members will be entitled to all the usual rights and privileges of ordinary membership, including the right to vote.
This Association will not require the payment of any annual fees.
The honour, rights and privileges of Life Membership may be revoked by a simple majority vote at a General Meeting, if the member involves themselves in any activity contrary to the objects of this Association, or likely to bring discredit to the Association or the sport.
23. **SCHEDULE OF FEES**
The Schedule of fees shall be set annually by the TBA.