

# Tenpin Bowling Association of Queensland – Interschool Challenge 2021 (ISC) Rules and Guidelines

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The Interschool Challenge (ISC) is conducted by the team at Tenpin Bowling Association of Queensland (TBAQ) and all rules and guidelines are constructed by TBAQ for the ISC. All guidelines and rules are to be adhered to by all competitors ensuring the competition runs smoothly and effectively. The ISC introduced a different structure for 2020. On 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020, the decision to postpone the 2020 ISC was made due to the COVID-19. The competition will now take place in 2021 as outlined below with updated rules and regulations. **It is important that all competitors are aware of the changes** and understand the different “phases” that the competition has now implemented in comparison to previous competitions.

## 1 2021 ISC Updates

### 1.1 COVID-19

- 1.1.1 **Due to the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of bowling centres in Queensland, the decision was made to postpone the 2020 ISC on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. All registrations that had been made for the 2020 ISC will be rolled over at no cost to the participants and their 2020 scores will still be valid. Any scores bowled in 2020 will be accepted until the end of ‘Phase 1’ in 2021.**
- 1.1.2 **Participants are now able to use their scores from 2020 for the 2021 competition. They will be automatically entered into the grade that they will be in in 2021. For example, if they were in grade 7 in 2020, they will be moved to grade 8 in 2021 to reflect where they are on the school system.**
- 1.1.3 **The 2021 Competition will use the rules as laid out in this document. These are essentially the 2020 rules with updated dates and considerations for competitor’s who were already entered into the 2020 competition.**

## 2 Competition Overview

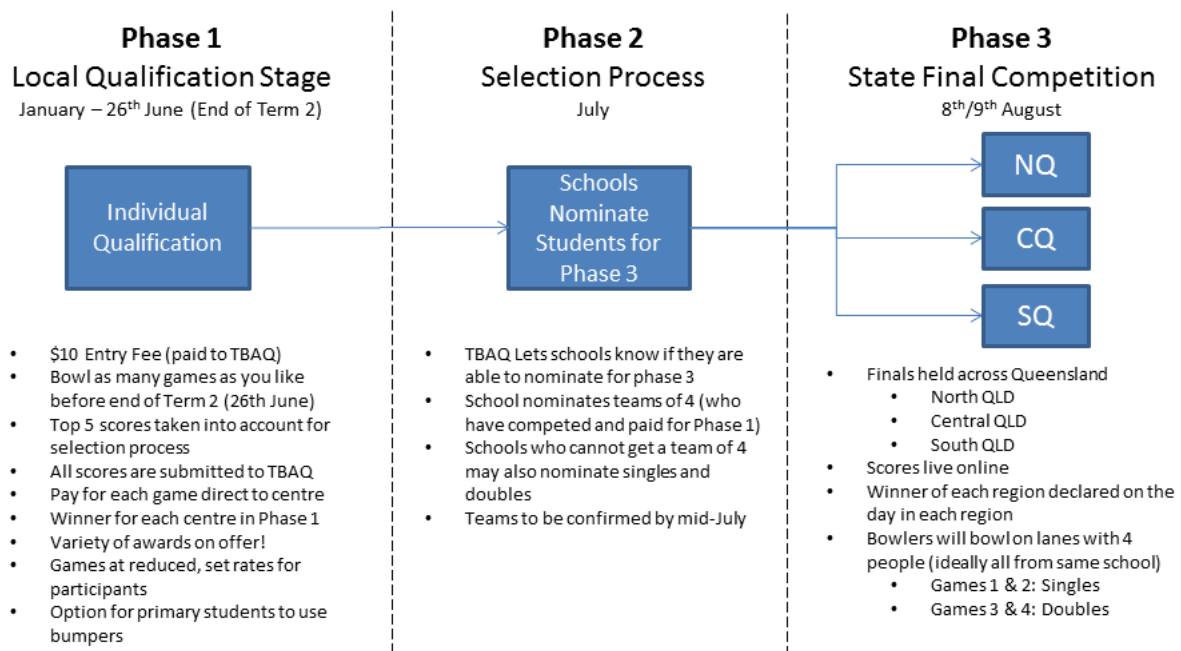
### 2.1 Competition Structure/Format

#### 2.1.1 Key Dates (Subject to change):

- Ongoing: Entries for ISC 2021 accepted
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020: ISC 2020 Phase 1 competition commenced
- TBC: ISC 2021 Phase 1 competition commences
  - This will be when it is deemed safe for Tenpin Bowling Centres to be open based on Government restrictions due to COVID-19.

- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021: Entries close for ISC 2021
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021: Phase 1 complete
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021: Confirmation of divisions and eligibility for Phase 3
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021: Participants to notify TBAQ of any changes or withdrawals of participants for Phase 3. Schools with more than one participant to confirm doubles teams
- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August and/or Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021: Phase 3 State finals take place. Event will be over 1 or two days depending on venue availability and participant numbers.
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021: Results to be confirmed and released by TBAQ

### 2.1.2 Competition Structure



## 2.2 Eligible Participants

2.2.1 Participants will be eligible to enter the 2021 Inter School Challenge as long as they meet the following requirements;

- They must be of school age (whether that be primary or secondary) and be studying at a school in Queensland or Northern New South Wales.
  - Northern New South Wales is defined as anywhere between Coolangatta-Tweed Tenpin and Ballina. Entrants must select Coolangatta-Tweed Tenpin as their centre if they are in New South Wales.
  - Students who are home schooled are also permitted to enter as long as they reside in Queensland.
- Participants must nominate into the school grade that they are in during 2021. They must also declare if they are 'Primary' or 'Secondary' students.
  - Participants who had previously entered the 2020 Inter School Challenge will be moved up one (1) school grade unless TBAQ are notified otherwise.

## **2.3 Eligible Games**

2.3.1 Participants are permitted to submit any score from a social game or any game as part of junior leagues.

2.3.1.1 Participants must be registered and fully paid for the ISC 2020 as outlined in '2.1 Local Qualification format' below.

2.3.1.2 Scores must be entered in accordance with '2.2 Score entries'.

## **3 Phase 1 - Local Qualification**

### **3.1 Local Qualification Format**

Phase 1 will be run from 28<sup>th</sup> January – 26<sup>th</sup> June. In this period, competitors must be aware of the following details of the competition:

- 3.1.1 All competitors must register at <http://www.tbaq.org.au/schools/interschool-challenge/isc2020/> in order to be eligible to compete.
- 3.1.2 Registrations will close on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020
- 3.1.3 Each competitor will present their confirmation email to the bowling centre to confirm their participation in the ISC 2020. This will also allow them to access discounted games at the discretion of the bowling centre.
- 3.1.4 The Local Qualification stage of the competition will be individual bowling.
- 3.1.5 Competitors are required to bowl a minimum of 5 games in order to be eligible for the “State Finals” competition in August.
  - 3.1.5.1 There is no maximum number of games that can be bowled
- 3.1.6 Competitors may bowl as many games as they want, top 5 games will be averaged and taken into account for qualification to the state finals.
- 3.1.7 Primary competitors will also have the option to compete with bumpers or without bumpers.

### **3.2 Score Entries**

Score entries are important for us to capture as it helps us to distinguish the overall winners of the local competition and establish the competitors for the State Finals competition. Competitors must submit scores as follows:

- 3.2.1 Scores must sent to TBAQ via email [dev@tbaq.org.au](mailto:dev@tbaq.org.au)
- 3.2.2 Emails must be sent with the following subject line: ‘ISC 2020 Score – FIRST NAME LAST NAME’
  - 3.2.2.1 The email must contain the score that was bowled and proof of the score
    - 3.2.2.1.1 This proof can be a photo of the score or upload of printout confirming the score.

### **3.3 Overall Local Interschool Challenge Champions**

The criteria to identify the champions of the Local Qualification Interschool Challenge champions are as follows:

- 3.3.1 The overall champions will be calculated from the highest averages over the top 5 games bowled.
- 3.3.2 If a competitor bowls more than 5 games, their highest 5 pinfall games will be the only scores taken into account.
- 3.3.3 There will be two separate divisions to take into account as well when considering Champions. These divisions are Division 1 and Division 2. To be applicable for Division 1 you must bowl an average of 130 and above. All averages that are 129 and below will be calculated as Division 2.
- 3.3.3.1 These divisions are subject to change depending on final results and competitor numbers at the discretion of TBAQ.
- 3.3.4 There will be two different categories of winners for the ISC this year, these categories include:
  - 3.3.4.1 Local Centre Champions
  - 3.3.4.2 All Stars
- 3.3.5 All Stars are presented based on the average over the top 5 games state wide for phase 1.



### **3.4 Awards/Medals**

There are a number of awards that will be recognised for the Local Qualification phase of ISC. The major awards will be awarded to those that perform the best in their local centres/state wide (as highlighted above in 2.3 Overall Local Qualification ISC Champions). However, this year there will also be awards for a variety of different achievements. These awards may vary between centres depending on the number and type of entrants at each centre. Listed below are the potentially available awards (please note that details for additional awards will not be disclosed until the Local Qualifications have concluded and will vary centre to centre):

#### 3.4.1 Local Centre Champions

- Girls Primary Champion
- Boys Primary Champion
- Girls Secondary Champion
- Boys Secondary Champion

#### 3.4.2 Interschool Challenge All Stars

- Division 1 Girls Primary All Star
- Division 1 Boys Primary All Star
- Division 2 Girls Primary All Star
- Division 2 Boys Primary All Star
- Division 1 Girls Secondary All Star
- Division 1 Boys Secondary All Star
- Division 2 Girls Secondary All Star
- Division 2 Boys Secondary All Star

#### 3.4.3 Additional Awards

- Most Consistent
- Most Dedicated
- Most Improved



### 3.5 Local Centre Awards

Local centres will also be encouraged to provide awards. These will vary between centres and may have other incentives attached to them. Please ask your local centre if they are offering other awards or incentives as prizes.

### 3.6 Award Ceremonies

Each centre will host their own award ceremony. This will be under the guidance of TBAQ. Ceremonies will take place after Phase 1 has been completed (26<sup>th</sup> June 2020) at a time to be organised by each centre. Competitors are encouraged to attend if possible. Each local centre will present the relevant awards to the recipients

including any incentives that have been offered. TBAQ will be responsible for letting the local centre know who has won which division and also providing the relevant awards/medals as detailed in 1.4 Awards/Medals.

## 4 Phase 2 – Selection Process

### 4.1 Selection Process

The selection process will be based off results from the Local Qualification phase (phase 1). Competitors will be selected into two separate Divisions; Division 1 and Division 2. The provisional details for the divisions are as follows:

4.1.1 Entry into Division 1 requires competitors to average 130 total pinfall and above over 5 games.

4.1.2 Entry into Division 2 requires competitors to average 129 total pinfall and below over 5 games.

**Please note that Divisions are determined based on the number of competitors and their respective scores. Confirmation of divisions and eligibility for Phase 3 – State Finals will be confirmed by TBAQ on or before the 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020.**

### 4.2 Nomination Confirmation Process TBC

TBAQ will update this section as numbers and processes are confirmed. Teams wishing to withdraw or make any changes for Phase 3 – State Finals Competition will be required to notify TBAQ on or before Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

## 5 Phase 3 – State Finals Competition

### 5.1 Team Size

For Phase 3 – State Finals Competition there will be two types of team size or entries. These are singles and doubles as detailed below.

#### 5.1.1 Singles Event

5.1.1.1 All competitors that have bowled a total of 5 or more games in phase 1 are eligible to participate in the singles for Phase 3 – State Finals Competition.

#### 5.1.2 Doubles Event

5.1.2.1 All competitors that have bowled a total of 5 or more games in phase 1 are eligible to participate in the doubles for Phase 3 – State Finals Competition.

5.1.2.2 Competitors will be placed in a doubles team as long as they meet the above criteria and are from the same school

## **5.2 State Finals Competition Format**

- 5.2.1 To compete in the Doubles and Teams events, players in the doubles and teams must be from the same school (we can match you with competitor/s from another school, however, you must notify us of this before 1<sup>st</sup> August 2020).
- 5.2.2 The tournament will be run over two different events; singles and doubles. The structure for each event will be as follows:
- Singles (Event 1): Two games to be played; total pinfall over the two games will determine the champion in Division 1 and Division 2.
  - Doubles (Event 2): Two games to be played; a combined total pinfall from both competitors over the two games will determine the champions in Division 1 and Division 2.
- 5.2.3 All registered participants are eligible to compete in all events (depending on Doubles eligibility).
- 5.2.4 Competitors must provide us with Doubles partners by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2020, failure to present doubles partners to us by this date will result in competitors not being eligible to compete in these events.

## **5.3 Uniform Requirements**

- 5.3.1 The specific uniform requirements (for state finals) are as follows:
- All competitors must wear the school sports shirt that corresponds with the school that they are representing.
  - Males may wear matching long pants or shorts, whilst long pants, ¾ pants, dress shorts or skirts are acceptable for females.
  - There are no uniform requirements for Phase 1 – Local Qualification Stage
- 5.3.2 Awards/Medals
- 5.3.2.1 Awards and Medals for the State Finals will be confirmed by TBAQ depending on entry numbers and school nominations.
- 5.3.3 Presentations
- 5.3.3.1 The presentations of awards/medals for state finals will take place on the day upon the completion of competition.
- 5.3.3.2 In the event that an award/medal cannot be presented on the day, TBAQ will seek to send the award/medal to the appropriate student/school as soon as is reasonably possible.
- 5.3.3.3 All Stars will be confirmed in the week after state finals and all results have been verified.