

IBF Masters World Championships Newsletter



WELCOME TO THE IBF MASTERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN DUBAI 2021

Dear Participating Federations,

It is with my greatest pleasure that I welcome you to take part in the 2021 IBF World Championships in Dubai.

Whilst the last two years has been challenging for our sport and our athletes, myself and IBF are excited to welcome you back on to the world stage for what will surely be an excellent battle of showmanship and sport.

My sincerest best wishes for your performances,



Sheikh Talal Mohammad Al-Sabah
President

FEDERATION TEAM MEMBER DETAILS

Please can all teams fill out their athlete and official names and details on Gameday prior to Monday, October 25th via the link:

<https://events.mygameday.app/#/event/registration-form/ibfmasterswc2021>

In addition to the federation registering the official delegation all participating athletes must be registered as an Athlete on GameDay. Athletes must create their own personal profile. Please share this link with you participating athletes so they can register before the event.

<https://ibf.websites.mygameday.app/ibf-athlete-registrations/>

Please can you also send a copy of all team member passports to dubai2021@bowling.sport along with your flight arrival and departure details so we may organise transfers to and from the airport and the Movenpick Al Mamzar and hotel check in times.

FLIGHTS

A reminder to all federations (and their friends and family) to use the following discount codes when you book your flight with Emirates:

General code: IBF2021

Flights originating from the US: USIBF21

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Teams that have booked and paid for their hotels via the Gameday system or upon speaking with an IBF staff member will have their hotel rooms confirmed this week. Once you receive confirmation of your hotel rooms, if you have further questions regarding the hotels and have booked you flight with Emirates, you may contact EKDEXReservations@emirates.com with your questions.

If you have further questions and did not book your flight with Emirates, you will need to contact the hotel directly.

Due to team delegate numbers, the official hotel for the event is the Movenpick Al Mamzar.

TRANSPORT

Transport to and from the airport/Movenpick Al Mamzar will be organised for teams arriving on the 16th and departing on the 27th. Ball bags will be dropped at the venue prior to arriving at the hotel.

As the Movenpick Al Mamzar is a short 10 minute walk to the venue, no other transport will be organised throughout the competition.

SPECTATORS

Spectators will be authorized to attend the qualifying and can purchase tickets on the gameday system: [Masters World Championships spectator tickets - GameDay \(mygameday.app\)](#)

Attached to this email is a flyer prepared by Emirates that details suggested hotel and Dubai Experience packages with discounted rates for friends and family that have booked their flights with Emirates.

COVID-19

Please ensure your team is familiar with the COVID – 19 protocols as listed in the Covid -19 section of the Gameday website.

OFFICIAL PRACTICE

Official practice on the tournament pattern will take place on November 17th.

The bowling center will be divided into three sections with 12 lanes in each section.

Each federation will be assigned 1 lane per 2 registered athletes, maximum three lanes per federation, gender and class.

Practice time will be 30 mins per section. 27 minutes of practice and 3 minutes of moving lanes between sections.

Lane maintenance will be performed before each of the 90 minutes practice sessions.

A detailed schedule for the practice will be distributed in a coming newsletter to all registered federations.

DRAFT SCHEDULE

Team Managers Meeting: Wednesday November 17th at 8am at the Movenpick Al Mamzar.

Timing	Nov-17	Nov-18	Nov-19	Nov-20	Nov-21	Nov-22	Nov-23	Nov-24	Nov-25	Nov-26
8:00	Official practise	Day 1 Singles Qual games 1-5	Day 2 Doubles Qual Women 50+	Day 3 Singles Qual games 6-10	Day 4 Doubles Round of 16 & Quarter Finals	Day 5 Singles Round of 32 & Finals	Day 6 Doubles Semi Finals & Finals	Day 7 Mixed Team Qual & Finals	Day 7 Team Qual	Day 8 Team Qual & Finals
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10:30	Group 1	Singles Games 1-5 Woman 50+/women 65+	Doubles Qualification Men 50+	Singles Games 6-10 Women 50+/women 65+	Doubles Round of 16 Women 50+/Men 50+	Singles Round of 32 Women 50+/Men 50+	Doubles Semi Finals All Groups	All Teams 12 Games	Team Qualification Women 50+/Womens 65+	Team Qualification Round of 8 All Teams
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13:00	Lane Maintenance	Lane Maintenance	Doubles Qualification Men 50+	Lane Maintenance	Lane Maintenance	Singles	Doubles Semi Finals All Groups	Lane Maintenance	Lane Maintenance	Lane Maintenance
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IBF SHOT CLOCK

IBF Super World Championships 2021 will be played using one lane courtesy. In addition to that a shot clock will be used in every game played. The shot clock will be strictly enforced during every aspect of the tournament.

- I. The following time rules apply and will be strictly enforced during the entire event.
- II. First shot in a frame. When your opponent leaves the approach and you have a full set of pins, you have 30 (thirty) seconds complete your shot. The shot is deemed complete in shot clock terms when the ball is fully released and has passed the foul line.
- III. Second shot in a frame. After your first ball have returned to the ball return, you have 30 (thirty) seconds to complete your shot. The shot is deemed complete in shot clock terms when the ball is fully released and has passed the foul line.
- IV. First offence: A warning for slow bowling is given to the player/team
- V. Second offence: The shot will count as a foul, nulling any pins knocked down in that shot.
- VI. Third, and continued offence: The pin count of the whole frame where the offence occurred in will be nulled.

Alternating surface of a bowling ball

While bowling in an IBF Sanctioned event, a bowling ball **cannot**:

Have the surface altered by the use of an abrasive.

Be cleaned with any liquid substance or cleaning agent.

Have any foreign material on it including, but not limited to, powder, rosin, marker or paint.

All bowling balls so altered or cleaned must be removed from the competition and penalised with zero pinfall in that game.

Note: Should a foreign substance appear on the outer surface of a bowling ball which cannot be removed with a dry towel, an approved cleaner may be used with consent from a tournament officer.

Frequently asked questions:

- When does competition start?
 - Answer: Competition starts once any bowler throws a ball for score in a tournament squad.

- Can I clean my ball with an approved cleaner during practice?
 - Answer: You can clean your ball with an approved cleaner during practice.

- Can I clean my ball with an approved cleaner between games in a squad?
 - Answer: No. You cannot clean your ball between games in a squad.

- Can I clean my ball with an approved cleaner between tournament squads?
 - Answer: You can clean your ball with an approved cleaner between squads.

- What type of towels are approved for use during the event?
 - Answer: Any dry towel or cloth that does not alter the surface of the bowling ball is allowed. This includes the use of dry shammys.

- If I used a towel with a liquid cleaner on it to clean my ball prior to the start of the competition, can I use that same towel to clean the ball during the competition?
 - Answer: No, another towel should be used. That same towel can only be used during the competition once the towel is dry.

- If I take a ball out of my bag that I have not bowled with, can I clean it with an approved cleaner?
 - Answer: No, approved cleaners cannot be used once competition has begun. This rule applies to balls from a bowler's bowling bag, locker or car, etc. We suggest you clean all your bowling balls prior to the start of competition.

- What happens if a bowler uses a cleaner, abrasive, or puts a foreign substance on the ball?
 - Answer: A ball cannot be cleaned, patted with rosin or powder or use an abrasive, the ball must be removed from competition and the games are subject to forfeiture.

- Can I pat my ball with rosin or powder if I wipe the ball before it is delivered?
 - Answer: No. Wiping the ball with a towel does not make the ball compliant to the rule. Patting a ball with a product is adding a foreign substance to the ball and cannot be done during competition. A product can only be applied to a bowler's hand and not leave residue on the surface of the ball.

- If my ball comes back with residue on it and I cannot clean it with my dry towel, rag or shammy, can I use an approved cleaner?
 - Answer: Yes, provided you get permission from a senior tournament official. If you clean your ball without prior permission, you may be asked to remove the ball from competition, and/or the games may be subject to forfeiture.

- When I have permission to clean my ball, may I clean the entire ball?
 - Answer: Yes, you may clean the entire surface of a bowling ball.

MEDIA RIGHTS

Athletes and teams are required to sign a media release form prior to competing.

All rights for the event are owned by the International Bowling Federation. Teams are not able to film the competition at any point and filming within the Field Of Play (FOP) is forbidden. Coaches may film for coaching purposes but are asked to be discrete.

Throughout the competition, teams may be requested to take part in promotional media activities. Activities may include, but are not limited to: press conferences, photography sessions, interviews with rights holders or independent media organisations, filming of

entertainment sections for social media or broadcast segments. All athletes and coaches must make themselves available for these requested sessions.

FEDERATION MEDIA

Federation media personnel are welcome to attend and will be given a room at Dubai International Bowling Center from which to work. Media must register via the Gameday website prior to attending the event.

Media registration: [IBF World Championships media registration - GameDay \(mygameday.app\)](https://mygameday.app)

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation sign in will be available at the venue on November 17th. Team Managers may do this on behalf of athletes but all passports will need to be presented.

LOCAL INFORMATION

The Emirate Dirham (AED) is the national currency for the United Arab Emirates. Most businesses accept AED cash or credit card for payments.

Dubai is an Islamic country that prides itself on being family friendly and international. Visitors are not restricted to dress codes inside of hotels however it is recommended that in public places tourists dress modestly and cover their shoulders and knees.

Emergency Services:

999 Police

998 Ambulance

997 Fire Department (Civil Defence)

Useful apps:

Careem – taxis, grocery delivery, pharmacy delivery, in room PCR tests and more

Deliveroo – Restaurant delivery

Noon – Online shopping

INFORMATION TO COME

Information on the following will be updated on the event website when ready:

- Arrival into Dubai International Airport
- Official practice schedule
- Deadlines for team compositions
- Practical information about DIBC
- COVID-19 restriction updates (if any).

