2027 Wellington Open

25th - 28th February 2027

TBNZ CERTIFICATION NUMBER 2711

Singles, Doubles and Teams (4)

Open Men, Senior Men,

Open Women and Senior Women

Graded (Combined genders)

U18 (Combined genders), U21 Men and U21 Women

(Masters schedule and numbers may change depending on final entries)

Tournament equipment as per TBNZ rules

Urethane 78 D plus

Estimated $7000+ prize pool.

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Tournament Committee

Ally Haynes, Chris Haynes and Warran Binding

All Bowling will be LIVESTREAMED via the North City Tenpin YouTube Channel.

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Rules:

The Wellington Open is open to all TBNZ members and is an Open and Graded event, played under general TBNZ playing rules. Anything not covered within these rules will be decided by the Tournament Committee, whose decision will be final. This is a grade 3 ranked event.

All Events Grades:

Open Men (scratch) Senior Men (scratch), Open Women and Senior Women (scratch), Graded (combined genders/handicapped) U18 (combined genders/handicapped)
U21 men (scratch) and U21 women (scratch)

All events/qualifying will be compiled from a Bowlers **BEST** attempt in Singles, Doubles and Teams regardless of team make up. A maximum of two divisions can be entered. To be eligible for two divisions All Events/Qualifying then 2 x singles, 2 x doubles and 2 x Teams must be completed.

All Events Entering Averages/Criteria

All Events: To complete a full All Events entry, bowlers must complete the following events

- Singles (6 games) (4 games for U18) - Lane change every 2 games
- Doubles (3 games)
- Teams of 4 bowlers (3 games) Women will receive 8 handicap for overall team prize, not all events.

Singles – Open Men, 170 + average (must enter Scratch division)
Open Women – 160+ average must enter scratch division.
Senior Women (Scratch)
Senior Men (Scratch)
Graded (Combined Genders and Handicapped)
U18 (Combined Genders and Handicapped)
U21 men (Scratch)
U21 women (Scratch)

Doubles - Open Men, Combined team average of 340+ (must enter Scratch division)
Senior Men (Scratch)
Women Combined (Scratch) Combined team average of 320+ (must enter Scratch division)
Graded (Combined team average of 339 or less, can enter handicapped division)
U18 (Combined Genders and Handicapped)
U21 men (Scratch)
U21 women (Scratch)

Teams - Open, Combined Team Average of 640+ (must enter Scratch division)
Graded, Combined Team Average 639 or less (can enter handicapped division).

* Graded Bowlers and U18 will compete with a 100% of 200 handicaps throughout the tournament.

All bowlers must use their highest league average (min 21 games) as at the end of 2026 or TBNZ Tournament average as at the end of 2026 – whichever is higher. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to re-grade any bowler. Bowlers may enter doubles or team's multiple times in one division, however, must change (at least) one partner.

Bowlers can enter any grade of doubles or teams, and their scores will be put towards their nominated all events grade.

Masters: The master's will be determined as follows: **Numbers may change depending on entries.**

- Open Men – Top 8 bowlers from the Open Men's All Events
- Women - Top 8 bowlers from the Women's All Events
- Senior Women – Top 8 bowlers from the Senior Women's All Events
- Senior Men – Top 8 bowlers from the Senior All Events
- Graded – Top 8 bowlers from the Graded All Events
- U21 men – Top 6 bowlers from the All Events
- U21 women – Top 6 bowlers from the All Events
- U18– No MASTERS

Masters will be head-to-head Matchplay with the winner receiving 20 bonus pins and a tie will be 10 pins. Lane changes after every match.

A final positional game shall be played based on the OVERALL positions in each Masters event.

Entry Close Off: Entries shall remain open for the duration of the tournament as multiple entries are available. The Tournament committee reserves the right to cancel or modify any squad as needed. Regular squad listings and results shall be posted on the following website www.tbnz.co.nz
Should you wish to withdraw from a squad entered you will need to see if you are able to on-sell your entry. Refunds will not be given for squads not bowled.

Entry Fee:

Singles:	$75	U18: $55
Doubles:	$50	
Teams:	$50	
All Events:	$10	

Proposed Masters – $50 for U21 Men, U21 Women and Graded. $60 for Open Women and Senior Women, $70 for Open Men and Senior Men (depending on final numbers)

Prizefund:
A final prize fund listing will be published at the beginning of the tournament.

Overall Champions of Each Grade will also be contested.
Qualifying scores will be carried over to the masters to determine the overall champion**.**
The Overall Champions of each grade will receive a personalized Wellington Open Champion Shirt.

Dress Code: Bowlers must wear neat and tidy "smart casual" clothing. Bowling shirts are requested. Tailored shorts may be worn by Men and Women. Women are able to wear skorts/skirts. Jeans/track pants will not be permitted. The Tournament committee will determine suitability as required and no correspondence will be entered into.

Check In: Check in for all qualifying squads will be 15 minutes prior to stated times in the tournament program, whilst masters check in will be a closed door check in, 15 minutes prior to start time.

Warm up: Singles Doubles and Masters Bowlers shall receive a 7-minute warm up prior to commencement of their first game. Warm up for team's events will be 12 minutes. Any lane transfer due to breakdown will have 2 balls, per person per lane if requested by the bowlers who have been transferred.

Protests: Must be brought to the attention (verbally) of the tournament committee immediately and followed in writing to the Tournament Committee within 1 hour of the finish of the event the protest relates to. The tournament committee will adjudicate, and their decision will be final.

Ties: In the event of a tie for a prize pay-out, the prize shall be split between the bowlers involved.
Tie for qualifying positions will be decided by High Game.

General: Standard TBNZ playing rules will be in use throughout the event. The tournament committee will also be monitoring slow bowling and lane walking.
Failure to comply with the general rules of the tournament will result in the following card warning system being employed.

White Card:	First Verbal warning.
Yellow Card:	Formal warning of a rules breach – zero score for the bowlers' next frame.
Red Card:	Repeated rules breaches will result in disqualification from the event.

Smoking/Vaping or consuming/being under the influence of Alcohol is not permitted whilst competing.

Bowlers are asked to respect the North City Tenpin Café and not bring their own food and drinks into the centre.