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To all WTBA member federations

WTBA Presidium decisions

WTBA Presidium made the following decisions at its meeting 6-7 October in Barcelona. Exact wordings in the rules will be done when the WTBA Statutes and Playing Rules will be updated **1 January 2009 as these changes will be effective from that date.**

- Surface adjustments by hand with Abralon Pad, Scotchbrite, approved polish and/or approved cleaner will be allowed between the games
If the surface is adjusted during games the penalty is zero pinfall in that game
- Technical/Coaching Committee will establish 3 ranges of pattern to be used in championships. 3-4 programs will also be established for each pattern range. After inspection the Technical delegate will decide which two of these three pattern range will be used and also the two specific programs, one for each range. The decisions of pattern range and program will be published at the Team Manager meeting.
- A 30 seconds rule will be implemented to meet the problem with slow bowling. A bowler is given 30 seconds from the moment the previous bowler steps down from the approach to the time the ball leaves the hand of the bowler. Training of referees is necessary to handle random check of the bowlers.
- Penalties for smoking during and between games will be implemented. Smoking during a game gives zero pinfall in that game. Smoking between games gives zero pinfall in the succeeding game.

Clarification of rules

Rule 4.16.1 says "*Players shall wear a standard uniform approved by their national federation. Individual variations only in player's name and sponsors (advertisements) are permitted..*"

This means that all players from one country must wear the same uniform within each event (Single, Double, Trios, Team and Masters)

World Men Championships 2010

WMC 2010 will be played in Munich, Germany 11-22 August 2010. A new 52 lanes centre, DreamBowl Palace Munich, will be built and ready during 2009.

World Women Championships 2011

WWC 2011 will be played in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 31 August – 11 September 2011. In conjunction with WWC 2011 there will also be FIQ and WTBA Congresses.



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WTBA Congress 2009

Next WTBA Congress will be held 3 August 2009 in Las Vegas, USA in conjunction with WWC 2009.

Member federations may submit proposals to be acted upon by the Congress. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted to the Secretary General at least three months prior to the Congress = latest 3 May 2009.

Suspension

Mr. Antuszewicz Przemyslaw, member of the bowling club KCKB Jura with license number 44 of the Polish Ninepin and Tenpin Federation has been suspended by his federation for three years as of 18 September 2008.

During the suspension period Mr. Antuszewicz Przemyslaw has no right to participate in international tournaments or championships approved by ETBF and/or WTBA. Furthermore any attempts to register for participation should be reported to the Polish Ninepin and Tenpin Federation.

Next Presidium meeting

Next WTBA Presidium meeting will be held 6-7 March 2009 in Arlington, Texas, USA. Member federations that want to submit proposals which they wish to be considered by the Presidium have to send the proposals to WTBA Secretary General latest 5 February 2009.

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