



MASTER BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO

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Unaffiliated Member of the Teaching Division of the Master Bowlers' Association

For the bowler who cannot commit time to their local bowling centre, due to other commitments, the new Unaffiliated Membership may be a good option.

Players who register as an unaffiliated member for the Teaching Division do not seek approval from a local proprietor but will register directly with the Master Bowlers' Association of Ontario. The MBO Board will review and approve the membership request or if denied an explanation will be given back to the applicant. Members must follow all the rules of the MBO including adhering to the dress code of the association during tournament events, and conducting themselves in the manner required of a Master Bowler.

The Unaffiliated Members are offered 9 Tournament Events through our season and are not eligible to play in the Fall Master Youth or Spring Master Youth Tournaments. Tournaments are mainly based on Pins over Average, however we also offer our members the opportunity to play a scratch side of the 4 Optional Tournaments. Players will be able to choose to compete on POA basis or if they choose to pay the extra prize money portion, they can compete in both POA and Scratch sides of the event and be eligible to win prize money on both sides. MBO Tournament Rings will be awarded only to the Pins Over Average winners.

We also offer a National Championship to our members who attain the top 5 positions in the province over the course of our entire season based on a Pins Over Average total. Events that Unaffiliated Masters must attend to be considered for our National Team are:

Mid Winter Blues Event	- 6 Games
Two of the following Optional Events	- 12 Games
Eastern Classic Tournament	
Central Classic Tournament	
Western Classic Tournament	
New Years Classic Tournament	(Best 6 games from either day)
Year End Event	- 10 Games

Unaffiliated Masters who play in all three or more Optional Event will be allowed to drop the lowest Pins over Average Total. The lowest POA total will be dropped automatically to calculate the aggregate total as our season progresses.

Unaffiliated Masters are also allowed to play in the Ontario Special Olympics event and the Master Senior Tournaments. They may also fill-the-field in any two Tournament Division tournaments if they would like to experience an event in our elite division. This membership is mainly for the player who wants to enjoy tournament play without too much pressure, and not necessarily will they have a higher average. The Pins over Average formats of our events provide the opportunity for all levels of player to enjoy the

competition and have a chance at winning the event, while our new Scratch component of the Optional Tournaments allow the higher average members to put their skills to the test. Unaffiliated members are required to wear black dress pants or skirts for the ladies, along with the MBAO golf shirt. As well all Members must adhere to the code of conduct in showing good sportsmanship, maintaining control of language and physical gestures and always speaking in a positive way about our game and bowling establishments.

For more information about the Unaffiliated membership contact Dave Johnson at our office at 416-426-7165. You may also Email Dave at office@mbao.ca.