



<u>Policy Title</u>	<u>Current Version Date</u>
Competitor Dress Code – YBC and YBO Provincial Finals	September 12, 2022

This policy is applicable to the provincial finals of the following tournaments only:

- Youth Bowl Ontario Cup
- Youth Bowl Ontario Triples Team Championships
- Youth Bowl Ontario Doubles Tournament
- Youth Bowl Ontario Scholarship Tournament
- Youth Bowl Ontario Twosomes
- Youth Bowl Canada Championship – Singles and Doubles

1.0 POLICY

1.1 Shirt

Competitors are to be attired in a YBC identified bowling shirt. A YBC identified bowling shirt shall be any garment, regardless of style, make, fabric, or colour that covers the upper portion of the body, providing one (1) of the following graphics is screened or embroidered on the shirt: The official Youth Bowl Canada logo, the name of the bowling centre, or name / letter of the zone. Please note that tank-tops, or other garments that do not fully cover the upper body are not permissible. If a YBC identified shirt is not available, bowler is to wear a shirt with a collar. It is strongly recommended that while participating in a team event, all team members be in the same uniform.

1.2 Bottoms (Pants/shorts)

- Sponsor identification is not permitted on bottoms
- Slacks, shorts, skorts, skirts (of appropriate length for a youth event), leggings and capris may be worn.
- **JEANS/DENIM, SWEAT PANTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED**
- In a team setting, it is highly recommended that team members need to be similarly attired.
- All clothing for uniform bottoms must be free from rips and tears.

1.3 Masks

Competitors are to follow Provincial Health and Regional Health guidelines, set by the region they are participating in. It is up to the Proprietor of the Bowling Centre to enforce mask mandates. Masks **can NOT** have any derogatory logo's, sayings or statements. If a competitor is exempt from wearing a mask, it is the competitors (or parent/guardian) responsibility to inform the Proprietor. Disposable masks are recommended.

1.4 Coaches (all events) / Adult bowlers (Ontario Twosome)

Coaches and/or Adult bowlers participating in the above mentioned Provincial events, must adhere to the above mentioned dress code in sections 1.1 Shirts, 1.2 Pants, and 1.3 Masks.

1.5 Penalty for infraction

Infractions will result in a penalty of 15 points per game. Infractions can only be assessed by the Tournament Director.

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1.6 Other Notes

For team events, bowlers on the same team are not required to wear matching uniforms.

Hats, or other headgear, is prohibited unless required for medical or religious reasons.

Note: Invisible Disabilities – In consideration of athletes that have invisible disabilities or sensitivities, accommodations may be made. For example, an athlete that is sensitive to loud noise may be permitted to wear noise-canceling headphones, or other device to ensure their comfort. Athletes with an invisible disability or sensitivity must inform the Tournament Director.

In all instances, competitors' clothing is expected to be neat and tidy. Clothing is not to be ripped or tattered.

This dress code is not applicable to other rounds (House, Zone, National). Events at these other levels may have their own dress code. It is the responsibility of each competitor to comply with the dress code of these other events.

Any deviations from this dress code must be approved by the Youth Bowl Ontario office.

It is advisable that bowlers err on the side of caution when it comes to their uniform choice in determining if it adheres to the dress code. Example: Particular styles of yoga pants may overlap with clothing items that are not allowed, such as leggings / tights. In cases such as this, bowlers are advised to wear other clothing options that fit more clearly within the dress code, in order to avoid a dress code infraction.