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# Finnish Masters 2025 tournament series rules

## General notes

Finnish Masters series start in January (Oulu BB Open) and end in November (OMG Open).

## How to get into Finnish Masters tournament cycle

In Finland there are a healthy amount of tournaments and organizers. Some host NAF-sanctioned tournaments also outside of the Finnish Masters series. When one is hosting a championship series tournament there are few other things to consider on top of the NAF requirements.

From new cities and organizers we need a show of capabilities to host a tournament and continuity interest, to be able to apply for a spot in the tournament cycle and receive the status. We wish for at least the following:

- Hosting a NAF-sanctioned tournament in the city with at least 3 rounds.
- Tournament organizer, head organizer or other people participating in the organization are interested in hosting or supporting the hosting of the tournament in the future.

Idea behind this is to give the organizer and the city the keys to host tournaments and motivate new organizers to join in with low risk.

If the first tournament is a two day tournament or has more than twenty expected participants it is advisable to ask help from the association.tukea ry:ltä.

# Blood Bowl Finland association responsibilities

## Finnish Masters tournament selection

Tournament tentative schedule for next year will be prepared by a specifically assembled Finnish Masters workcrew. If needed it will be done by Blood Bowl Finland associations board members or by members. Tournament calendar for the next Finnish Masters season will be published at the very latest by the end of the series in November.

Things taken into consideration when selecting the tournaments:

- Tournaments hosted evenly around Finland. Traveling taken into the account.
- Tournament size taken in consideration with prioritizing toward bigger tournaments.
- Supporting the new tournaments outside of the Finnish Masters series and evaluating them for the possibility to host championship series tournaments in the future.



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- Backup TO and venue for uncertain tournaments.
- The annual main event Eurobowl/Worldcup is taken into account with the scheduling.
- Trying to take into account also other bigger foreign tournaments to avoid overlapping with them.
- Time between the tournaments is tried to space evenly.

## **Defining of Finnish Masters executive rules for the series**

Defining executive rulesets to be required to use in the tournaments.

### **Finnish masters -point system**

At the end of the season 4 best results in tournaments are taken into account. Winner of the series will be announced in the award ceremony of the last tournament.

#### **Tournament points**

Top players will be rewarded according to their position with -1 point starting from the winner.

- Below 10 players, first place will receive points equal to amount of the participants
- 10-19 players, first place receives 10 points
- 20-29 players, first place receives 11 points
- 30+ players, first place receives 12 points

On top of the points earned from the position there are bonus points which can be acquired in two ways.

#### **Activity bonus point**

Active tournament participation gives extra points as follows:

3 tournaments 1 point, 5 tournaments 2 points and 7 tournaments 3 points.

#### **Spareplayer bonus point**

Spareplayer, who is used to avoid a bye round acquires 1 bonus point.

#### **Player receiving the most points is the winner**

If points are tied, tiebreakers are used to determine the winner.

#### **Tiebreaker**

Tiebreakers used in tie situations are:

1. Most wins
2. Most tournament points (4. best tournaments)
3. Most higher position (4. best tournaments)
4. The next best tournament result is added into tallying points

### **Finnish Masters ranking**

All Finnish players participating are added to the ranking. Ranking is based on the points acquired from the tournament with most points taken into account and for players tied with the same amount of points ranking will be sorted with a ranking formula. Ranking formula counts the players left behind in results on each separate tournament, so that the ranking can be sorted.

# TOs responsibilities

## Tournament requirements

### 1. Tournament schedule is announced well in advance

- Information about hosting the tournament is announced in a timely manner, so that it can be accepted and included into the Finnish Masters series.
- Scheduling changes are announced at least 2 months before the event date.

### 2. Tournament information is announced well in advance

- NAF-event is made at least 2 months before the event date.
- Changes into the tournament are announced by the TO according to rules at the minimum of 2 months before the event date.
- In later cases, TO has to first discuss with the Finnish Masters workcrew coordinator.

### 3. Tournament length

- Round minimum is 4 rounds.
- If the tournaments need to be cut short to 3 rounds, the points the winner receives is reduced by 2 and second place by 1.
- For example. Points for below 20 player 3 round tournament 8,8,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1.
- If the tournament lasts only 2 rounds, it is not taken into account towards Finnish Masters points.
- With this we prepare for force majeure situations, like power outages etc.

### 4. Following the set executive rules for Finnish Masters series

- Tournament takes into account the guidelines and executive rules set for the series.
- For the 2025-season it is advised to use the next Eurobowl ruleset or beta ruleset when released.
- If the tournament lasts over 4 rounds it is advised to use 2-1-0 scoring system.

### 5. Reporting of the results

- TO reports the results as soon as possible to Blood Bowl Finland association for the ranking update.
- Results need to include data from all the participant:
  - Rank
  - Full name
  - NAF-name
  - NAF-number
  - Race played
- On addition
  - Name of the spare players

## **6. Delivering of the tournament picture material to association**

- Permission for use of the pictures from the participants. Spoken announcement at the beginning of the tournament with all the attendees present requesting permission to use pictures is enough.
- Picture material can be used in marketing of the tournament in the future, associations posts in social media and website.
- Pictures of the winners and players rewarded.
- Pictures of the tournament atmosphere.
- Pictures can also be asked from the attendees.

## **7. Promoting of the tournament**

- Information in all channels needs to be in the same context and up to date.
  - NAF-event page is up to date and contains all needed links.
- Tournament information includes mention that it is part of the Finnish Masters series and has a link to the Finnish Masters info page.  
<https://bloodbowl.fi/tournaments/finnish-masters/>

## **8. Spare players**

- TO makes sure there are enough spare players present for the tournament.

# NAF Structured series

On the NAF structured series the following requirements are added to rules:

## **To count towards the NAF structured tournament rewards**

- Player needs to participate in **at least 3 Finnish Masters tournaments** and with **at least 2 different races**.
- The best results from at least **2 different races played is counted** towards the best results.

## **In addition to count towards the NAF structured tournament Stunty cup reward**

- Player needs to play **a stunty team in at least 2 Finnish Masters tournaments**.
- Stunty winner is selected with best 3 stunty results.
- Top stunty will be rewarded according to their position with -1 point starting from the winner.
  - First place receives one point per each stunty participant up to max 4 points.
  - If only one stunty participates they get 1 point.