

Super League Bowling Rules 2023 – 2024

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1. LEAGUE BOWLERS

This is an all-male league.

2. OFFICERS

League secretary/ treasurer shall receive a salary. The secretary/treasurer salary shall be equal to bowling fees.

The election of next year officers will take place 3 weeks before the end of the season. A nomination form will be passed out with 3 weeks left. The secretary will tabulate the nominations forms and have a ballot for the next week to vote on. If any ties then a re-vote for that position will take place that night.

3. LEAGUE FUNDS

An account will be opened in the name of the league at Hills Bank & Trust in Hills. Funds shall be deposited weekly. The President and the Treasurer must jointly sign all withdrawals. The President shall verify the balance each month. (This is a USBC Bonding requirement).

4. TEAM ROSTER

A team roster will consist of 7 members and cannot be shared with other teams. Rosters must be final by week 14. If rosters need to be changes it must be approved by majority vote of team captains.

5. SEASON

Season starts **Sept 5, 2023** and should end on **April 16, 2024**, (32weeks). League will contain 16 teams with a 32-week split season. Each half will consist of 15 regularly scheduled weeks and 1 position week. The starting position for the first night will be the way the teams ended up at the end of last year. **The position round will start both halves on lanes 7-8.**

First of second half ties between 2 teams will necessitate an immediate roll-off to determine the winner. One game tiebreaker will determine the winner. If there is a tie between multiple teams, team names will be drawn to determine lane assignments for the roll-off. If there is an odd team, they must be paced 6 pairs of lanes and bowl unopposed. All other ties not for first place will be determined by total pins. If a roll-off will take place right after league and it will be a 1 game roll-off. For the season championship we will re-dress the lanes (1st place 1st half and 1st place 2nd half teams only). The teams must use rostered players cannot use subs.

6. LEGAL LINE-UP

A team must have at least 1 rostered plus 2 eligible bowlers present. A forfeit will be declared if a team does not have at least 3 eligible bowlers present. That team will forfeit any or all games that night to the opposing team. The unopposed team shall bowl games that will count toward their averages. The unopposed team must bowl at least 50 pins of the team average or shall lose the forfeited game or games.

7. AVERAGES

The bowlers will use last year's Super League average of 21 games or more. If no average from the Super League, then will use the Iowa City USBC highest book average of 21 games or more. If the bowler did not bowl last year, then he will establish and average the first night. Should he not complete the 3 games, then you will not use the games he bowled and will use the blind average instead. Blind averages of 165 for any team with less than 5 team members.

8. HANDICAP

Rule is 90% of the difference in team averages, beginning with the first week. The absent bowler's average score minus 10 pins will be used. Missing more than one bowler you use the most games, if same games then high average. If an instance occurs where a team does not have an eligible bowler, an absent score of 165 will be used for each game without an eligible bowler, with the handicap based on this blind score.

9. BOWER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Bowlers must be courteous on the approaches. No intentional fouls, please. This will result in taking pins away per USBC rule 5b. Bowlers should be timely when it is their time to bowl.

Bowling fee per night is \$15.00. Of this amount \$11.00 will be used to pay for the cost of bowling and the balance will be placed in the league bank account. USBC sanctioned dues for the first night is \$25.00. If you paid in another association the fee is \$7.00

10. TEAM CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the team captain or his designated substitute's responsibility to complete the names and current averages of his team on the score sheet. He must also compute that night handicap and turn in the collected fees (\$75) to the league secretary by the third frame of the first game. Failure to pay bowling fees will result in actions taken by league officers in accordance with USBC rules. The team captain is also responsible for his team's conduct and readiness to bowl. Captains must also turn in the score sheet to the secretary immediately after bowling is completed.

Team captain is responsible to collect \$30.00 sponsorship fees and give to the league secretary by the third week of bowling

11. PRE-BOWLING / Post-Bowling

If a team needs to pre-bowl due to a schedule conflict, then that team must pay all bowling fees in advance to the league secretary. The team must also make arrangements with the bowling alley for the accommodations. Make sure that the desk prints out the score sheets and put them away in the office. Pre-bowl scores are available after the game is complete (game 1 scores after game 1, Game 2 after 2 and game 3 after 3).

If a team needs to post-bowl, they need to contact the league secretary, tell him of the situation why you cannot bowl. You must make arraignments with Colonial Lanes when you can make it up. You must post-bowl as a team, post-bowl must be done by Sunday before the next scheduled league night so the league secretary can get the paperwork done.

12. SUBS Do we want to change this to allow

This league uses open subs. No subs allowed on position night.

13. PRIZES

First place sponsor trophy money is included in the first-place team prize money. The first-place team may purchase a trophy for their sponsor if they wish.

First, place team prize equals \$200.00, loser of the roll-off gets \$100.00. The league will pay for the best 2 out 3 roll-off games (no series). Should a team win both halves, they will get both the \$200.00 and the \$100.00 prize money for a total of \$300.00.

Other prizes are as follow: 1st high individual average (minimum 64 games) - \$25.00. 1st high individual game, 1st high individual series, 1st high team game, 1st high team series - \$25.00. 2nd high individual game, 2nd high individual series, 2nd high team game, 2nd team series - \$10.00

All other USBC rules will apply that were not amended