

Millennium Mixed

LEAGUE RULES

2009-2010 SEASON

Rule 1 - Sanction/League

The Millennium mixed league shall be sanctioned with USBC. The league will consist of 14 teams with a playing strength of 5 players. The five players may be of any sex as long as there are 2 members of each sex in the current lineup. The league will bowl on every Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. for 32 consecutive weeks with the exception of the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, November 25, 2009 and December 23, 2009. The league will bowl at Millennium Bowling Center starting August 19th, 2009 and Ending March 31st, 2010.

Rule 2 - League Management and Board of Directors Authority

Management of this league shall be vested in the league Board of Directors and shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Sgt. at arms and all team captains (or a representative in his/her absence). Each member is entitled to vote only once on any one issue. All members of the board must be notified but do not have to be present to take action on an issue. All disputes and/or protests will come under the discretion of the board of directors. All rule changes and Prize fund issues, including voting on the prize fund, will be voted upon by the league board of directors. League officers will be elected by the general membership of the league.

Rule 3 - Fees

Fees will be \$16.00 per week for each bowler. These fees will consist of \$8.50 lineage, \$7.00 prize fund and \$.50 secretary fee. Pay envelopes are to be turned in to the secretary prior to the second game of bowling. All bowlers must pay their last two weeks of bowling by the sixth week of bowling. League funds will be placed in an accredited financial institution upon a weekly basis in accordance with USBC rules. The account will require the signatures of two league officers for withdrawals. It will be the president's responsibility to verify all funds. Any interest earned on the prize fund will be placed into the prize fund.

It is the team captain's responsibility to insure THAT ALL MEMBERS HAVE PAID THEIR LEAGUE FEES EACH WEEK AND that the envelopes are turned in to the secretary by the end of the 2nd game. THERE WILL BE NO CREDIT ALLOWED FOR LEAGUE FEES BY ANY MEMBER; IF YOU BOWL YOU MUST PAY YOUR LEAGUE FEES. IF A LEAGUE MEMBER IS ABSENT, LEAGUE FEES SHALL BE MADE CURRENT IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS/HER RETURN TO BOWLING. ANY TEAM NOT CURRENT IN LEAGUE FEES EVERY THIRD WEEK, AS A TEAM, SHALL FORFEIT ALL LEAGUE GAMES UNTIL TEAM IS CURRENT IN THEIR LEAGUE FEES.

The last two weeks of bowling must be paid by the 12th week of bowling. IF THESE LAST TWO WEEKS ARE NOT PAID IN FULL BY THE 12TH WEEK OF BOWLING, THAT TEAM SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE IN ARREARAGES OF LEAGUE FEES AND SHALL FORFEIT ALL GAMES UNTIL THE TEAM IS CURRENT IN ALL FEES.

All NSF checks will be charge a fee of \$25 dollars. All proceeds from NSF checks will be placed directly into the prize fund. Once a member has written a NSF check, that member will be placed on cash only. This will be enforced by the team captain.

Teams that do not have 5 bowlers on there roster will be responsible for the prize fund and secretary fee for the absent bowler until the position if filled. The shortage will be deducted from the teams prize fund.

Rule 4 – Averages, Handicap and Point System

Entering average:

Beginning averages will be calculated as follows:

1. If the member bowled in the Millennium Mixed (MM) league last year and established an average of 21 or more games, the returning member will use the previous years MM average for the first 12 games he/she bowls.
2. If the member was not a member of the MM league last year, he/she will use their highest USBC book average of 21 or more games from the previous year (including summer leagues) for the first 12 games he/she bowls.
3. If the member did not have an established league average or book average from the previous season, he/she will establish an average their first night of bowling. This average will adjust weekly starting with the second week of bowling. A new member must bowl 3 games their first night of bowling.

Handicap will be calculated the same for both men and women. Handicap will be calculated on a team basis and will be 80% of the difference of the team's average and 1100. For the purpose of calculating individual handicap awards, handicap will be calculated using 80% of 220.

Standings shall be determined on a point basis, with one point awarded for each game won and one point for high team series in each match.

Rule 5 - Legal Lineups/Forfeits

A team may carry a maximum of 7 members on their roster at any one time. Three roster members must be present to constitute a legal lineup. If a legal lineup is not present by the time the anchor bowler on the team has completed the 1st frame, that game shall be forfeited. All USBC rules shall apply in regards to the team receiving the forfeited points. Tardy bowlers may bowl if the anchor bowler on the opposing team has not completed the 4th frame.

Rule 6 - Substitutes and eligibility

This league will use revolving substitute system. Subs do not qualify for prize money or awards. Men may substitute for women and women for men as long as the lineup does not violate rule #1. All subs must be sanctioned through USBC. There will be no pacers allowed. Players that are on a team roster may not sub for any other team.

Rule 7 - Split season Definition and Eligibility

This league will bowl a split season with a position round at the end of each half (weeks 16 & 32). A team's placement in the position round will be based upon the team's current win/loss record. In case of a tie in wins and losses, the team with the higher number of total handicap pins will receive the higher placement.

- a) **Eligibility** Substitutes or new members will not be allowed during position rounds.
However, teams must be allowed to be brought to full strength at any point in which their team roster drops below 5 players.
- b) **Purpose** The winners of each half will be the teams with the highest number of wins after each position round. In case of a tie, for first place, the teams involved will participate in a three game roll off, after the night of position round. One point will be awarded for each game won. Total pins will be of no value in this roll off. The team with the most points from this roll off will be declared the winner for that half.

- c) ***Winners*** The winners from each half will represent the league in a league championship roll off **within the next week including the following Weds.**
All roll offs are to be completed on the night of the corresponding position round, including the roll off for the overall winner. Only these two teams will be eligible for overall first place and the league championship. If the same team wins both halves, this team will be declared league champion. All other final positions second through last place will be determined by total number of wins for the season.
USBC rules will be enforced in case of a tie.

Position rounds will be scheduled as follows:

The first and second place teams will bowl on the highest numbered pair, with the rest of the league following in kind, resulting in the lowest seeded two teams in a position round being placed on lanes 1 & 2.

Rule 8 - Prize eligibility

A bowler must bowl at least 2/3 (64 games) of the season to be eligible for individual awards. An individual can win only one individual award with the exception of most improved. A team can win only one team award. Most improved average will be calculated after 21 games.

Rule 9 - Absentee/vacancy score

Absentee score shall be the bowler's average minus 10 pins. A team must use the bowler on their roster with the highest number of games for the absentee average. In case of a tie in number of games, the highest average will be used. A vacancy score of 120 will be used in this league. No lineup shall violate rule #1.

A team will not be allowed to use a blind score from a bowler's last years average until that bowler has joined this league, paid their sanction fees, and bowled 3 consecutive games in one night in this league.

Rule 10 – Postponed games

Postponed games must be coordinated with the postponement committee and the team captains involved. If the postponement is granted, the teams will either bowl unopposed or set up a time and date to bowl head to head. If the teams bowl unopposed, scores will not be revealed until after both teams have bowled.

Team unopposed prebowls and post bowls will be allowed.

If a team is going to be bowling "unopposed" those games **must** be made up prior to the next scheduled bowling date.

In all cases, postponed games must be made up prior to the next position round or a forfeit will be declared.

The secretary will have no jurisdiction over approving or denying postponements or prebowls.

The postponement committee will consist of three people assigned by the president.

Rule 11 - Resignations

In case of a team or individual resignation, a two-week notice must be given to the league secretary. The resigning members must pay two weeks dues after the date of resignation. The league board of directors must accept the reason for resignation.

Rule 12 - Failure to pay League Fees

It will be the team captain's responsibility to make sure that the players on his/her team are current with their league fees. No bowler will be allowed to bowl if he/she are more than two weeks delinquent on fees. It is the team captain's responsibility to notify this person of this and to take the appropriate action necessary to get the member current or replace the member until such arrearages are brought current.

Any time a sub is used, the team is responsible for the full payment of league fees, lineage and prize fees. This includes subs used when the roster has not been filled

The league prohibits anyone other than bowlers and scorekeepers in the pit area. Anyone else in the pit will be referred to the sergeant of arms.

The league president will appoint a prize committee within the first 3 weeks of bowling. The prize committee will submit at least three prize lists for the league to vote on prior to the 6th week of bowling.

Rule 13 - Omissions

In addition to this constitution and all rules omitted will be governed by USBC rules.

League officers

President – Vanessa Burks

Vice President – Brent Wetzler

Secretary/Treasurer – Tracy Abbott

Srgt at arms – Rachel Perez

Postponement Committee:

Charlie Alred
Patty Thornton
Mike Payne

Prize Committee:

David Clements
Debbie Uekman
Mike Payne