

# HERE FOR THE BEER LEAGUE RULES 2025- WINTER

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1. **LEAGUE SCHEDULE** -THE LEAGUE (CONSISTING OF 14 TEAMS OF ANY GENDER COMBINATION) WILL START ON JAN 9, 2025. PRACTICE AT 6:15 PM, SCORE AT 6:30 PM. IF THERE IS BAD WEATHER, TEAM CAPTAINS SHOULD CALL BY 2:00 PM THAT DAY TO SEE IF THE LEAGUE WILL BE POSTPONED, AND THEN NOTIFY THEIR PLAYERS. THE LAST DAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> WEEK, IS MAY 1ST.
2. **THE LEAGUE WILL BOWL TWO HALVES AND TWO DIVISIONS WITH A POSITION ROUND ON THE LAST DAY OF EACH HALF.** IF A TEAM WINS MORE THAN ONE HALF, A WILD CARD TEAM WILL BE CHOSEN BASED ON A TEAM NOT WINNING A HALF WITH THE MOST POINTS WON FOR THE SEASON. THE ROLL-OFF WILL BE A 3 GAME ROUND ROBIN. TEAMS WILL BE RANKED 1-4 BY HIGHEST TEAM SCORE WITH HANDICAP EACH GAME. IF THERE IS A TIE FOR A HALF, THE TEAM WITH THE HIGHEST TOTAL HANDICAP PINS IS THE WINNER.
3. **THE LEAGUE IS NOT SANCTIONED WITH THE USBC.**
4. A TEAM ROSTER CAN BE UP TO 8 BOWLERS. NEW BOWLERS CAN BE ADDED ANYTIME EXCEPT FOR A POSITION ROUND.
5. ON THE FIRST WEEK, TEAMS WILL BE ASSIGNED TEAM NUMBERS. WHEN A NEW PLAYER SETS AN AVERAGE, THE HANDICAP WILL BE FIGURED AFTER THEIR 1<sup>ST</sup> THREE GAMES BOWLED. THE FIRST NIGHT OF BOWLING WILL BE HANDICAPPED BASED ON THE THREE GAME AVERAGE.
6. **LEAGUE FEE ARE 20.00 PER NIGHT PER BOWLER** AND \$80.00 FOR THE TEAM. \$13.50 FOR BOWLING AND SECRETARY FEES (Olivette Lanes) AND \$1.25 TO PAY FOR LAST WEEK AND \$5.25 PER NIGHT TO THE PRIZE FUND. THE 17<sup>TH</sup> WEEK IS PAID FOR DURING THE FIRST 16 WEEKS. **TEAM CAPTAINS MUST COLLECT MONEY AND TURN INTO THE DESK BY THE END OF THE FIRST GAME.** A TEAM MORE THAN \$80.00 IN DEBT TO THE LEAGUE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO WIN ANY POINTS.
7. **THE SEVEN POINT SYSTEM** WILL BE USED. 2 PER GAME AND 1 FOR TEAM TOTAL, TO DETERMINE WINS AND LOSSES. A LEGAL LINE UP IS 2 BOWLERS BY THE START OF LEAGUE PLAY. A LATE BOWLER MUST BE READY TO BOWL BY THE END OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> FRAME OF GAME 1 AND THE 1<sup>ST</sup> FRAME OF GAMES 2 AND 3. **CAPTAIN SHEETS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY.** IF A TEAM IS BOWLING A FORFEIT SITUATION, THE TEAM RECEIVING THE FORFEIT, MUST BOWL WITH-IN 40 PINS OF ITS TEAM AVERAGE.
8. **BLIND SCORE** IS THE AVERAGE OF THE ABSENT BOWLERS WITH THE MOST GAMES BOWLED LESS 10 PINS FROM THEIR AVERAGE. **VACANCY SCORE** IS 125 PLUS HANDICAP.
9. **HANDICAP** WILL BE FIGURED AT 85% OF THE DIFFERENCE OF PLAYERS AVERAGE AND 210. TEAM HANDICAP WILL BE THE TOTAL OF THE BOWLERS INDIVIDUAL HANDICAPS ADDED.
10. **PRE-BOWLING** IS ALLOWED BY TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF TIMES. NO PRE-BOWLING FOR POSITION ROUNDS (EXCEPT FOR TEAMS MORE THAN 7 POINTS OUT OF 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE) OR ROLL-OFF. PLEASE CALL AHEAD TO PREBOWL.
11. **PRIZE MONEY** WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FOR TEAM STANDINGS; ROLL OFFS AS WELL AS INDIVIDUAL HANDICAP SERIES FOR SWEEPSSTAKES. MUST HAVE BOWLED 21 GAMES TO BOWL IN SWEEPSTAKES & ROLL OFF.
12. A ONE LANE BOWLING ETIQUETTE RULE WILL BE USED.
13. TEAM MEMBERS MAY NOT PRACTICE ON THE LANES THEY ARE SCHEDULE TO BOWL ON FOR THE NIGHT.
14. AVERAGES FROM FALL LEAGUE CARRY OVER TO JANUARY LEAGUE FOR THE FIRST WEEK