

Mid Winter Mixers
2009-2010 League Rules

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1. The Mid Winter Mixers Bowling League will be sanctioned with the USBC through local associations. The league will bowl on Sundays at 6:30 p.m., beginning on August 23, 2009 and end on April 25, 2010 for a total of 33 weeks. There will be no scheduled matches on September 6th (Labor Day), December 27th (Holiday Break), and April 4th (Easter Sunday). All scheduled matches will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. with practice starting at 6:20 p.m.

2. The Board of Directors will consist of all Officers and Team Captains. Should there be a need to call a special board meeting, all members of the board are expected to attend.

3. The amount paid by each bowler each night will be \$12.00, this price is locked in until the 2011-2012 league season. This amount includes the cost to Sun Valley Lanes for lineage (\$10.25), secretarial fees per bowler per night (\$.25), and prize/trophy fund (\$1.50). Bowlers will not be allowed to compete in league play unless current in league dues. Sanction for Men and Women is - \$18.00

4. There will be a \$160.00 limit for awards. The cash award for series shall take precedence over all cash awards. Cash awarded:

1st Place - \$50.00

2nd Place - \$30.00

High Individual scratch series: man/woman-\$15 each

High Individual scratch game: man/woman-\$15 each

\$10.00 cash award-High handicap team game

\$10.00 cash award-High handicap team series

No individual may be awarded both high series and high game awards.

5. League members must have bowled a minimum of 61 games (2/3 of the season) to be eligible to receive trophies/plaques and must be listed on the team roster. Subs are not eligible to receive any league awards.

6. Bowlers will use last years book average from the Mid Winter Mixers league for the first 3 weeks, if you did not bowl on this league last year, we will use the highest book average, if you did not bowl at all then you will establish an average the first night of bowling. The same rules apply to subs also.

7. The handicap will be 80% of 220 based on individual averages, with the team handicap being the sum of the individual bowlers handicaps.
8. In the event that a team should quit, any new team replacing them prior to the end of the season, will pick up the win/loss record of the old team. Should there be a period where the league is short a team(s), the team scheduled to bowl the absent team must bowl within 40 pins of their teams average to win the game(s).
9. Team Captains will turn in their team roster to the League Secretary on the 1st night of the season. Any changes must be reported to the Secretary **PRIOR** to the time the new member bowls. Anyone bowling who is not on a roster is considered a sub.
10. Play strength in this league is 4 players per team. Teams can be of any combination as long as there is at least one man and one woman on the roster. A legal lineup will consist of at least 2 members from the teams' roster.
11. Straw scores will be an absent bowler's average minus 10 pins. When there are additional members on a team's roster, the absentee score of the absent member who has the highest average will be used provided it does not make the teams' lineup illegal. Vacancy scores are to be used only when there is no other established average to use. The vacancy score is 140 man or woman.
12. If a team cannot make a scheduled Sunday match, the Secretary, or any other league officer must be notified for approval at least 48 hours in advance unless an emergency arises. The postponement committee (League Officers) will determine what is sufficient cause to grant a postponement and notify the requesting team of the committee's decision. Postponed games must be made up within 2 weeks of the original scheduled match.

The team making up the match will be responsible for setting up a time to bowl with Sun Valley Lanes. The postponement committee must be notified by the team captain as to the date and time of the make-up. Upon notification of the need for the make-up match, the secretary will advise the team of the name and contact of the opposing team they would have been scheduled to bowl. The team requiring the make-up match will contact the opposing team, offering the opportunity to bowl head-to-head, and advise the opposing team of the date and time. Bowlers making up matches will not leave any money at the front desk. However, the score sheet and computer printouts are to be left at the front desk. Bowling fees will be paid for on the next scheduled night of bowling. Any games bowled in make-ups are eligible for league awards. Failure to comply with any part of this rule could result in a possible 4 game forfeiture, which will be determined by the Board of Directors.

When a team is bowling in a forfeit situation the following procedures apply:

- A. The forfeiting team will not receive any points (wins)
- B. To earn a point, the opposing team must bowl at least their teams' average minus 40 pins.

Scores bowled in accordance with this procedure will be counted towards averages and qualify for USBC and league awards. If an officer of this league cannot be present then an employee of Sun Valley Lanes will serve as a representative of this league.

There will be no make-ups on the final night of bowling since the last night of bowling is considered Fun Night.

13. If a bowler is late for the 6:30 p.m. starting time, he/she will have until the end of the 5th frame, for both teams, to enter the game and make up missed frames. If a team does not have at least a legal lineup present at 6:30 p.m., the team could be subject to a 4-game forfeiture, which will be determined by the Board of Directors. When a forfeiture situation exists, the procedure in rule 12 will be followed.

14. Position rounds are scheduled for the 8th, 16th, 24th, and 32nd weeks of the season. Team pairings will be determined by total wins, with scratch pins prevailing if there is a tie. This league will also use the split season format with the first half ending on the 16th week. To bowl in the roll-off a bowler must bowl a minimum of 33 games to be eligible for the roll-off except in emergency situations.

15. The league will use the 4 game (point) system. Three games bowled and the final game will be determined by total pin fall. A half point will be awarded for any ties.

16. Officers for the 2010-2011 season will be nominated and voted on by all league members present at the end of the final night of bowling on April 25, 2010.

17. Only league bowlers are allowed in the bowler's area. All others must remain behind the tiled area for their own safety and for the consideration of other bowlers.

18. All checks are to be made out to Sun Valley Lanes.

19. If there are any problems or questions not covered by these league rules, refer to the official USBC rule book.

20. These league rules were approved by the majority of the officers and members present at the league meeting, which was held on August 16, 2009.

Cash prizes for the last night of bowling will consist of \$15.00 for each set of lanes. Each game is worth \$5.00 and the cash prize will be awarded to the high bowler for each game on that pair of lanes.