

TWILIGHT ZONE LEAGUE RULES FOR THE 2009-10 SEASON

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1. The Twilight Zone Bowling League is a 16 team mixed league. The USBC Bowling Association sanctions this league.
2. The league will bowl on Friday nights at 6:30 PM.
3. The league will bowl 31 nights beginning September 4, 2009 and ending on April 23, 2010. **We will NOT bowl on December 25, 2009, November 27, 2009 and January 1, 2010.**
 - Weekly fees are \$13.00 per bowler for a total of \$65.00 per team. This includes:
 - 31 weeks Linage fee @ \$11.25/bowler -\$27,900.00/Season
 - 31 weeks Sec/Treas. salary @ \$0.25/bowler - \$620.00/Season
 - 31 weeks Prize fund @ \$1.50/bowler - \$3,720.00/Season

Fees are due in full each week. Team captains are responsible for their team's money. Make all personal checks payable to Sun Valley Lanes. **Returned checks and the returned check fee incurred by the bowling alley must be paid as soon as possible. Any returned checks or fees not paid will be deducted from the team prize fund at the end of the season.**

4. League scoring is based on the 4-point system. One point is awarded for each team game and 1 point is awarded for series.
5. **The league handicap is = 1000 pins minus the team average times 90%.**
6. Starting average will be last year's league average. If the bowler has no league average, then last year's city book average will be used. A new bowler will establish an average on their first night of bowling.
7. Starting averages will be used for the bowler's first 9 games. A new bowler's average will be recalculated each week.
8. Teams without a full roster at the beginning of the season may use a vacancy score of 120 for both women and men. A 120 average will be used for handicap.
9. The absentee score will be the bowler's average less 10 pins. Handicap will be based on the bowler's actual average.

10. At least 3 bowlers must be present at the start of any game or the game will be subject to forfeit. Bowlers do not need to be regular team members.
11. A team captain may **NOT** replace a bowler during a game for any reason. This rule overrides USBC rule 107c-10-b.
12. Any team bowling unopposed must bowl not less than 50 pins under their team average to win each game point and not less than 150 pins under their team series to win the series point.
13. Tardy bowlers must start bowling before the completion of the 5th frame of any game.

USBC rule 109c applies.

14. A minimum of 24 hours notice is required for a postponement. Notice may be given to any league officer (the bowling alley is **NOT** a league officer). Any games missed without proper notice will be forfeit. The Board of Directors may grant a postponement for an emergency.
15. The Board of Directors consists of all league officers and all team captains.
16. All postponed games must be made up before the next night of bowling. Please schedule all make up games with the bowling alley and the Secretary/Treasurer. Printouts must be turned in with all make up games.
17. There will be a position round the 30th week of bowling. The last night of bowling (the 31st week) will be a No-Tap Tournament. \$5.00 will be awarded to the high score on each pair of lanes for each game. A bowler can win only once.
18. Instead of trophies cash prizes will be awarded:
 - 1st place team - \$50.00
 - 2nd place team - \$25.00
 - Men's and Women's High Game (Scratch) - \$10.00 each
 - Men's and Women's High Game (Handicap) - \$10.00 each
 - Men's and Women's High Series (Scratch) - \$10.00 each
 - Men's and Women's High Series (Handicap) - \$10.00 each
 - Men's and Women's Most Improved Bowler - \$10.00 each

An individual bowler can be eligible for only one High Game or High Series award. Award ranking is High Series (Scratch) then High Series (Handicap), High Game (Scratch) and High Game (Handicap). All bowlers are eligible for the Most Improved Bowler award.

19. The USBC Rules govern anything not covered by these rules. A complete list of the USBC rules can be found @ <http://www.bowl.com/rules/rulebook/index.jsp>.