



Wednesday Fun Fours

League rules for the 2022/23 season



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This is an adult league, and all bowlers must be 18 years of age to bowl in the league. This bowling league shall consist of 14 teams with 4 bowlers per team. Teams maybe comprised of any combination of gender. The league will bowl on Wednesday night for 31 weeks, including sweeper, commencing September 7th. All scheduled matches shall start at 6:45pm with shadow bowling at 6:35pm. Tardy bowlers shall not be allowed to start after the last bowler on the opposing team has finished bowling the 3rd frame. This league will be sanctioned with USBC through the local association (CSC). The management of the league shall rest in the board of Directors. The board of Directors shall consist of the officers (listed above) and team captains. (Also, USBC Rule 103a applies.)

FEES: weekly: Bowling fees \$18.00 **Sanction:** Men's fee \$25.00
 Secretary fees \$1.00 Women's fee \$25.00
 Prize Fund \$3.00 **Total league fees \$22.00**

If you do not bowl for the first two weeks of the bowling season you are not required to pay the lineage fee of \$18.00. Regular team members on the current team roster are required to pay the weekly total fees of \$22.00 each week whether they bowl or not (see rule below about substitute bowlers also). The league will allow a one-week grace period on payment of league fees if needed. The League President and League Treasurer must approve special arrangements for anyone to be more than one week in arrear. After the league has tried to work out an agreement for a bowler to pay off any arrearage they have and if that agreement fails, that bowler will be subject to USBC suspension for "Improper conduct Rule 17B & Nonpayment of league fees under Rule 17B-3." (See USBC rulebook).

SPLIT SEASON: At the end of each third, a first-place winner (most points won) will be named, and the team's wins and losses will start over, but the individual averages of all bowlers will continue. A team's prize (Pin) money shall be determined by the team's total number of wins (points) for the entire season. If there are two or more segments, then a team may qualify only one time for the playoff. After a team has qualified, that team shall be disregarded when determining future teams for the playoff.

PLAYOFF: When a split season of thirds is chosen the first-place team for each segment and a "wild card" team will bowl in the final playoff. The "Wild Card" team is the team that has the highest number of total wins during the season and is not a 1st place team from any third. In case of a tie for first place at the end of each segment, the teams total team pinfall with hdcp, including that night will be used to break any tie. To determine the winner of the overall first place team or any trophy positions, a three-game series shall be bowled on sweeper night (wky 31) under the same conditions and rules governing league play during the regular season, total pins including handicap, shall determine the overall winner and any other trophy positions. The winners of the 1st and 2nd third and the winner of the 3rd third and the "wild card" team will be paired together to bowl the playoff. In the event of a tie at the end of the final playoff series, the teams total team pin fall with hdcp, including that night will be used to break the tie. If any of the tie breakers above still end in a tie, a coin toss will determine the winner. Scores bowled in the final playoff (wky 31, sweeper night) shall not count toward individual or prize awards (except sweeper night winners) offered by the league.

TROPHIES/PRIZE FUND:

1st place team 4 ; High Scr. Series (M/F) 2 Most improved bowler (M/F) 2
 2nd place team 4 ; High Scr. Game (M/F) 2 Sweeper night winners (M/F) _____
 3rd place team 4 ; High Hdcp Series (M/F) 2
 4th place team 4 ; High Hdcp Game (M/F) 2 Maximum Cost \$ 1200.00

Individual trophies won as listed. Bowlers may win only one individual trophy. A bowler must bowl at least 45 games to win an individual trophy and at least 45 games to bowl for awards in sweeper. Prior to the end of the schedule, the president shall appoint a committee of at least one member to draw up prize list. The trophy types and numbers above are typical and can be customize each season by the prize committee if the cost is under the "Maximum cost" listed above. The prize list must be approved by the board of directors and distributed to the team captains 1 week(s) before sweeper night.

RESIGNATION: A member or team may resign per USBC rules (USBC rule 121). A two-week notice is requested, given to the team captain and league secretary. After resigning bowler stops bowling, the resigning member(s) must pay league fees for two weeks if the bowler is not replaced within that period.

LEAGUE FUNDS: An account shall be opened in the league's name in Exchange Bank. In which FUNDS SHALL BE DEPOSITED WEEKLY. The League President shall receive the bank statement monthly, verify that balances are correct and post it once a month on the league's web page. Total league fees to the bowling alley shall be payable weekly by one check drawn on the league account, except possibly for the first week.

AVERAGES: Entering Averages of all players shall be determined in the following order:

- a. Use average established in this league last season, based on 21 games or more.
- b. Use highest average from previous season in any other sanctioned league, based on 21 games or more. (Look in the CSC USBC "Official Average Book 2021-2022" or from our league's last season records)
- c. Bowlers who do not have a qualifying average outlined in items a or b will establish their average the first night they bowl. Averages in items a or b will be used the first 9 games of the season. After 9 games the actual cumulative average bowled will be used from then on.

HANDICAPS: Individual handicap will be 90% of the difference of 230 and your average. If a bowler's average goes over 230, they will have a negative handicap. Team handicap will be the sum of the team's individual member's handicaps.

SUBSTITUTES: The league shall maintain a list of roving or floating substitutes. The regular team member will be required to pay the League fee of \$22 every week*, even if they have a substitute bowler bowl for them. The first 4 team members listed on the standing sheet are the regular team members. Substitutes bowlers normally will not qualify for "pin money". Teams are allowed to make other arrangements that could request the substitute bowler to pay the league fee of \$22. The regular team would be responsible for the league fee if the substitute bowler fails to pay. In the cases the substitute bowler pays the league fee, they would be eligible for a prorated amount of the pin money. The team captain must approve and manage all arrangements.

*First 2 weeks if absent only the prize/Sec. amount of \$4 required.

LEGAL-LINEUP: There must be a minimum of 1 bowler for any game. Of that minimum there must be a minimum of 1 person from the current team roster for any game. Team rosters shall be limited to 4 players. No new substitute bowlers the last 2 weeks of each section. A "new bowler" is anyone who has bowled less than 3 games in our league in the current season. The absentee score shall be the average, less 10 pins. Any team short a bowler, shall use a vacancy score of 140 man 140 woman. USBC sanctioned pacers shall be allowed: YES NO .

SCORING: Each game won 1 point, high series 1 point, tie game or series ½ point.

FORFEITS: Any team bowling against a forfeit or bye shall drop 40 pins from their team average and must then exceed their reduced team average to win points. The forfeiting team shall score ZERO points.

UNEARNED POINTS: Points not won for failing to bowl the prescribed score will not be credited to either team.

PERSONAL CONDUCT: Team members only will be allowed in the settee area. Be ready to bowl when it is your turn. You never need to rush or hurry but, MAKE SURE YOU ARE READY TO BOWL WHEN THE PINS ARE READY. The Sgt. at Arms or one of the league officers shall have the authority to enter a zero for a frame if someone is excessively late for their turn to bowl. The determination of what excessively late is, rest with the Sgt. at Arms or league officer.

BOWLING UNOPPOSED: Pre-Bowling unopposed allowed (no more than one week). YES NO . Post-Bowling unopposed allowed. YES NO . (see USBC rulebook rule 117)

HOLIDAYS or NO BOWLING: November 23 & December 28 (see separate league calendar for league sponsored events and season split dates and other information)

BVL: The League will support US military veterans though BVL or another CSC USBC program.

Above rules have been read and approved. The above rules as approved in addition to the USBC 2022/23 Rulebook make up the league rules. If any rule(s) above conflicts with the USBC 2022/23 rulebook the rule(s) in the USBC 2022/23 rulebook will supersede. League members will be informed that rules are on file and available for inspection. (see web page: <http://www.wffbowling.com> then select current season and look for the link to league rules)