games to makeup for the losses.

MOONLIGHT MIXED LEAGUE
Fall Season 2025-2026

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This league will be composed of **14 teams** with **4 bowlers** competing on each team. The league will bowl **3 games** each Sunday for 32 weeks, beginning with practice at 6:00 and league promptly beginning at **6:10 pm** on **August 31, 2025** and ending **April 26, 2026. ROLL OFF WILL BE May 3, 2026**. Therefore, **THE LEAGUE WILL *NOT BOWL* DECEMBER 28th, SUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH AND EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH.**

The league will be affiliated with the **United States Bowling Congress (USBC)**. Their rules will prevail with the following adopted rules to apply.

1. **FOUR (4) POINT SYSTEM**: There will be **one (1) point** given for **each game** won and **one (1) point** for **total pins**.

2. **HANDICAP:** Each team will receive a handicap amounting to **80%** of the difference in their team average and **840**. ALL **TEAMS CAPTAINS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING SURE THE HANDICAP IS CORRECT!!! IF NOT SURE, PLEASE SEE THE SECRETARY**.

3. **ENTERING AVERAGE**: To be used for the first **three (3)** weeks.
   a. Returning league members use **THIS** leagues ending average.
   b. New members use ***LAST*** year's highest book average.
   c. All others establish continuous average after first **3** games series

4. **TEAM ROSTER**: Each team roster will be limited to 4 bowlers. No team may be composed of ALL MEN or ALL WOMEN. **EACH TEAM WILL BE ALLOWED TO HAVE TWO (2) MEMBERS ADDED TO THEIR ROSTER**. THE MEMBER MUST BE ADDED ONE (1) WEEK BEFORE THEY CAN BOWL. **THIS IS A "NO SUB" LEAGUE**. SUBS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED WHEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. If approved, ALL SUBs must have a Sanction Card. **NO SUBS WILL BE PERMITTED TO BOWL AT POSITION ROUND or ROLL OFF.**

5. **ABSENT SCORE, BLIND SCORE and BLIND TEAM**: A team with only 2 or 3 bowlers present will use the absentee's score. This score will be the absent bowlers average less **10** pins. There will be no limit to the number of weeks an absent bowler's average may be used as long as the bowler is not more that **TWO** weeks behind in league fees. In the event that no absentee score is available for use, the blind score of **140** will be used with handicap figured from **140**. WHEN BOWLING THE BLIND TEAM, THE OPPOSING TEAM MUST BOWL **20 PINS** MINUS THEIR TEAM AVERAGE + HANDICAP TO WIN THE GAMES. (i.e. 750-20=730+35 hcp = 765 total score.)

6. **PAYMENT OF FEES**: No bowler shall be allowed to bowl if he/she is delinquent more that ***ONE*** (1) week and not longer than **TWO (2)** weeks. Prior to bowling, the bowler must pay his/her fees in full, including fees for the current week of bowling. **Any bowler that has a **"RETURNED CHECK"** will be charged whatever the ***HOUSE*** charges our league. **INSUFFICIENT FUND FEE IS $35.00**. Any bowler that writes **"ONE"** bad check cannot write another check to this league. ***Cash*** only will be accepted from that bowler. **IF A BOWLER WRITES A CHECK FOR THE "THIRD" (3RD) WEEK OF BOWLING AND THE CHECK IS "NO GOOD" THEN THE TEAM WILL FORFEIT ALL GAMES WON TO THE OPPOSING TEAM THE NIGHT THE CHECK WAS WRITTEN AND THAT BOWLER CANNOT BOWL UNTIL ALL FEES ARE PAID IN FULL BY CASH. REMINDER** - *ALL TEAM CAPTAINS ARE TO TURN IN ENVELOPES IN OR BY THE END OF THE FIRST GAME TO THE TREASURER.*

   a. **If a team PRE-BOWLS for any Sunday, their dues must be paid in ADVANCE for that Sunday.**

EXAMPLE: If a bowler owes **$50.00** he/she must pay that amount plus the current Fee of **$25.00**. **Any team whose Participating members are not current in league fee payments shall forfeit games. All team members must be current in league fees during all Position rounds regardless of the amount owed.**

7. **FORFEITS & POSTPONEMENTS**: A team must have **TWO** (2) members present in order to start a game. If a team does not have **two** (2) members present, they have until the **anchor bowler** on the **opposing team** completes the **FIRST FRAME** before that game will be **forfeited** and the opposing team must bowl within ***20 pins*** of team average to win all games. Postponements must be requested ***48 hours*** before scheduling time except in emergencies. Board of Directors will make that call. All games must be made up by the ***NEXT BOWLING DATE.***

8. **SPLIT SEASON**: The league will bowl a split season with **16 weeks** in the first half and ***THE TEAM WITH TOTAL WINS WILL ADVANCE TO THE ROLL OFF*** and the same for the **16 weeks** in the second half. A regulation 14-team schedule will be used **but** the team standings will be kept in **TWO *DIVISIONS***. Team 1 through 7 will be Division 1. Teams 8 through 14 will be Division 2. **POSITION ROUNDS** will be on the **8th week, 16th week** (End of the First Half), **24th week** and **32rd week** (End of the Second Half). The winner of Division 1 in the first half will roll a 2 game match against the winner of Division 1 in the second half to determine the **Division 1 Champion**. The same format will take place in Division 2. **All matches in the roll off will be 2 games total plus handicap.** The Division roll off matches will roll to determine the 3rd and 4th place winners. 5th through 14th places will be determined by **TOTAL** wins for the season. If **ONE** team wins both halves in any Division and there are only **TWO** Division winners, teams 3 through 14 will be determined by **TOTAL** season wins; if there are only **THREE** Division winners, teams 4 through 14 will be determined by **TOTAL season** wins and thirdly, if there **are FOUR Division winners**, teams 5 through 14 will be determined by season wins. **If TWO teams are tied for a Division at the end of a half, then a roll off of a 2 game with handicap shall be rolled to determine Division Winner *THAT NIGHT***. If still a tie, then a 9 and 10 frame roll off. If a tragedy occurs during the Roll Off, as long as a team has a legal lineup (i.e. 2 people) then the Roll Off will proceed.

9. **FEES**: Team Entry Fee will be **$80.00** and must be paid by **October 5th or team will forfeit 3 games. This will be additional money for the PRIZE FUND and no secretary, treasurer or house fee will be taken out of this $80.00.**

Individual Fees:

$13.50 Bowling
.60 Secretary/Treasurer
10.65 Prize Fee
.25 Benevolence Fund
$25.00 per Bowler Per Week

Any team with a vacancy will be responsible for the $11.50 per vacancy per week.

ALL **MEN** AND **WOMEN** MUST JOIN THE **USBC** **($29.00)** ON THE THEIR FIRST NIGHT OF BOWLING! THE SECOND WEEK, GAMES WILL BE FORFEITED IF NOT PAID.

ALL LEAGUE MEMBER FEES MUST BE PAID OUT ON THE 31th WEEK TO INCLUDE THE 32th WEEK.

10. All **team awards** and individual wards will be awarded on scratch and **handicap** basis. Any individual can win more than one award in any group of awards.

11. **Bowlers must bowl at least 2/3 of the schedule games to be eligible for individual awards. (68 games)**

12. **TARDY BOWLER**: A bowler who arrives late may enter game provided the **third (3rd) FRAME** has not been completed and is IN THE PIT AREA. A frame shall be considered completed when the bowler in the anchor position on each team has completed the frame. (FRAMES MISSED MAY BE MADE UP.) No unreasonable delays will be allowed.

13. **PRIZE COMMITTEE**: Chairperson, Pam Smith.

14. WEAPONS: The BOARD OF DIRECTORS will determine what DISCIPLINARY ACTION will be taken against ALL PARTIES INVOLVED.

15. **REPLACEMENT TEAM**: Any team that comes in to replace another team shall **PAY ALL PRIZE FEES** and will assume all status of the former team.

16. **BENEVOLENCE:** WILL BE FOR IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS ONLY. **I.e., Mother, Father, Sister, Brother and their Children only. This will come from the allotted $.25. If the money is not used during the bowling season it will be EQUALLY divided among ALL teams at the end of the season. Adopted (9-13-98). Also, from the Benevolence Fund, only $25 per person, with a card, will be given to the bowler for acknowledgment of the circumstance in lieu of flowers. (8-29-2010)**

17. **No teams will be allowed to join this league after the *3rd week of bowling*. All teams that join the *2nd week will begin with 0 wins and 4 losses*; *3rd week, 0 wins and 8 losses*. You will not be able to bowl**