



MORRO LAW FUN & FELLOWSHIP RULES & REGULATIONS: 2023-2024 SEASON

PRESIDENT	Don Estep	205-913-3862
VICE PRESIDENT		
SECRETARY/TREASURER	Betty Bruno	205-425-6646

This league shall consist of 22 teams with a total of 4 bowlers on each team of any mix. The league shall bowl on Tuesday Nights with practice beginning at 6:15 pm 15 minutes of practice and league play beginning at 6:30 pm.

The 1st night of bowling will be 9/5/23 and will bowl for 34 weeks ending on 5/7/24. Roll Off will be immediately following league play on 5/7/24. No Tap will be on 5/12/24. This league will not bowl on 12/26/23 and 1/2/24.

This league's rules and schedule will be affiliated with the USBC and their rules will prevail along with the following adopted rules:

BOWLING FEES

Lineage	\$12.50
Prize Fund	\$6.90
Secretary Fee	\$0.60
TOTAL	\$20.00 per person per week

League fees must be paid whether a bowler is present or not. Anyone not paying fees shall be turned into the association. It is the responsibility of the Team Captain to see that each member of the team has paid and that the money is turned into the league secretary by the end of the 1st game. The last 2 weeks must be paid in full by the 10th week of bowling. (11/7/23). On the first night of bowling your USBC card MUST be paid for, which is \$27 per person. Teams are required to pay for any vacant bowler on their team.

A vacant bowler is \$7.50/week.

SPONSOR FEE

\$80.00 per team (\$20.00 per person) is to be paid in full by the 10th week of bowling (11/7/23).

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AVERAGES

The 1st 9 games of bowling, all bowlers will use their 2022-2023 average from this league last season (21+ games.) All other bowlers shall use their highest 2022-2023 (21+ games) book average. All new bowlers will establish an average the first 3 games of bowling.

HANDICAP

Individual Handicap – based on 90% of 220

POINT SYSTEM

This league will use the 7 point system; 2 points for each game won and 1 point for total pins.

LEGAL LINEUP

A team must have at least 2 members of a team's 7 person roster present by the end of the 1st frame to constitute a legal line up. (If the team has 3 or less regular members, 1 bowler will constitute a legal line up.) The end of the 1st frame is defined as: the bowlers of the team present completing the frame. Late bowlers shall be able to make up missed frames if the opposing team's last bowler has not completed his/her 3rd frame.

ROSTER

Each team will have 4 regular bowlers and 3 additional roster members. Roster members must be added by week 6. Only 4 bowlers/team (whichever bowler has the most games) will be eligible for the No Tap Tournament. 15 games will be the minimum.

VACANCY & ABSENTEE SCORES

The vacant score for both men and women shall be 150. Absent bowlers shall use their current average less 10 pins. An absentee score may be used for unlimited weeks provided the bowler is not delinquent in fees. A vacant score shall be used week 1 if a bowler is absent.

FORFEITS

In a forfeit situation, the team present is required to bowl their average less 40 pins to receive credit for game points and their average series less 120 pins to get credit for total pins.

POSTPONMENTS

Please make sure that if your team is unable to bowl, please contact a League Officer as well as the opposing Team Captain and schedule a time with Vestavia Bowl to bowl the games. Pre & Post bowls are not allowed on Friday & Saturday Nights. Please try to have all make up games completed within 2 weeks of the date missed. All make ups must be completed prior to the next position round.

WITHDRAWALS

If a team withdraws, money due to that team, provided they are not replaced by a new team, will be equally divided among the remaining teams. A team replacement shall accept the standings of the withdrawn team, i.e., games won, games lost, and financial standings. Individuals must have 2 weeks' written notice prior to quitting.

TIE SCORE

In case of a tie after any matches in the roll off, a 1 game roll off must be bowled (the teams that tied will decide together on the day/time). The winner is based on total pin count with Handicap. This rule also applies to all position rounds.

POSITION ROUNDS

The league season will be split into 4 quarters. There will be a position round at the end of each quarter. The top 2 teams in each quarter will qualify for a spot in the roll off. If this team has already qualified, the roll off spot will go to the next highest team who has not yet qualified.

Bowlers must meet minimum number of games to bowl in position round.

1 st Quarter ends week #8	10/24/23	Minimum 3 games to bowl position round
2 nd Quarter ends week #16	12/19/23	Minimum 6 games to bowl position round
3 rd Quarter ends week #25	3/5/24	Minimum 9 games to bowl position round
4 th Quarter ends week #34	5/7/24	Minimum 12 games to bowl position round

ROLL OFF

The Roll Off will be held immediately after position round on week 34. The 8 teams in the roll off will draw for lane assignments. The teams will bowl a 2-game set. On the 2nd game teams will swap with the pair beside them (7-8 AND 9-10 swap, 11-12 AND 13-14 swap). Places 1-8 will be determined by total pins with handicap for the 2 games. Bowlers will use their average at the end of the quarter in which they qualified or their Year End average; whichever is higher. Bowler MUST have 15 games to participate in the roll off.

PRIZES

A bowler must bowl 2/3 of the games for the season to be eligible for individual prizes or money and must be a regular team member. No bowler shall be eligible for more than 1 individual prize, team included. The individual prizes will be based on the bowler's average after 21 games. There will be scratch & handicap awards (1st, 2nd & 3rd places only.) High average and most improved prizes will be separate from the individual awards. Substitutes will not qualify for awards.

Prize Committee: Teresa Estep and Sangy Steelman

****Please have proposed Prize List turned into the secretary by the 5th week of bowling. (10/3/23) ****

MISCELLANEOUS

Cell Phones can be left in the pit area provided it does not cause a distraction to other bowlers. Please keep ringer at a lower volume or on vibrate.

PLEASE HELP THE SECRETARY

If you have questions for Betty, please ask before or after practice. (She deserves her 15 minutes of practice also!)

Please turn in envelopes to Betty by the end of the first game.