

# Thursday Night Open Bylaws

## General League Specifications

---

This league shall be called: **Thursday Night Open**

This league will be sanctioned with the USBC. The average USBC playing strength per team is **3**. This is a **handicap mixed league**. This league shall bowl **3** games per night.

This league shall consist of 9 teams with a playing strength of **3** bowlers per team. The minimum legal lineup shall consist of **1** eligible player of which 1 must be from the team's current roster. You may have up to **5** bowlers on the team roster. **Injured bowler scores** shall count towards a legal lineup.

The league will bowl on **Thursday** at **7:00pm** for **12** weeks beginning on May 29, 2014. The league shall bowl on lanes **1-10**.

**Position Rounds:** The league season shall have **1** position round. It will be week **12**. Subs will not be allowed to bowl week 12.

## Averages & Handicaps

---

### Team Handicap:

The TEAM handicap shall be 85 percent of the difference in team averages where the lower average team receives the handicap and the higher average team receives no handicap. The team handicap shall not be limited.

### Vacancy and Absentee Scores

A VACANCY score shall be **120**. An ABSENTEE score shall be the bowler's average less **10** pins.

### Late Bowlers

Late bowlers have until your opponent begins the **5<sup>th</sup>** frame to start bowling. The blind score will be used after your opponent begins the **5<sup>th</sup>** frame.

A bowler's **book/entering average** shall be used for the first **3** games bowled. For bowlers without a book average, the first night's average shall be used for the first **3** games bowled. New bowlers without a book average should show zero for the average until scores are entered. To bowl the last week you must have bowled **9** games.

## Team Points and Team Results

---

**1** point is awarded to the winner of each team game **1** point is awarded for the winner of the team series (total pinfall with handicap).

**When bowling against a *BYE*:** The team must bowl with in **30** pins of the team average to win the points. The team average is the sum of the averages of the bowlers who bowled. In the case of a "tie", the team wins the points (points are not split).

**When bowling against a *FORFIET*:** The team must bowl within **30** pins of the team average to win the points. The team average is the sum of the averages of the bowlers who bowled. In the case of a “tie”, the team wins the points (points are not split). Team standings are determined by the actual number of points won (rather than the percentage of wins as per rule 104d).

**League Fees**

Nightly fees are \$20.00 per bowler. Sub fee will be \$10.00. Returned check fees will be \$25.00 plus any bank fees. Last week of bowling must be paid by week **3 June 12, 2014**.

**Point Money**

Point money will be awarded on August 14, 2014.