

# Tuesday Night Early Mixed League 2009-2010

Adopted as amended at eh league meeting on August 18,2009

1. The Tuesday Night Early Mixed League shall be certified with USBC through the local association. The league shall consist of \_\_\_\_\_ teams. Team playing strength shall be four (4) members, 2 men and 2 women: 3 men and 1 women: 3 women and 1 man. At no time shall a team of all women or all men be permitted to compete.

The league shall bowl on Tuesday nights for 34 weeks, beginning **September 1,2009** and end **April 20, 2009**. All matches will begin promptly at 6:15 PM.

The league will bowl a split season, with the first half winner determined at mid-season, the 17<sup>th</sup> week. The first half will end on **December 22, 2009**. The second half winner will be determined at the end of the league, **April 20, 2010**.

Position rounds will be last week of each half, **Dec. 22,2009** and **April 20,2010**. On position night, if 2 or more teams are tied for any position, that and subsequent positions will be determined by total pin of each team.

The winners of each half will have a **roll-off** for the league championship on **April 27, 2010** at 6:15 PM. Point money will be awarded on **May 4, 2010**.

The management of the league of the league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which shall be consisting of the officers and team captains. A majority shall constitute a quorum. The membership shall adopt the league rules and the membership shall elect the officers. At least one office shall be held by a man and one must be held by a women.

The league will bowl on a seven (7) point system. Two (2) points awarded for each game won and one (1) point for the series. In the event of ties, each team will receive 1 point for the game and ½ point for series.

## 2. LEAGUE FEES

Bowling fees shall be **\$11.00** per person each night and distributed as follows:

\$8.77	Cost of Bowling
.50	Secretary Fee
<u>1.73</u>	Prize Fund
\$11.00	

**ALL BOWLERS MUST PAY  
WHEN THEY BOWL**

The final two (2) weeks bowling fees must be paid by **October 13, 2009**. The last 2 weeks cannot be used for advance notice if a bowler quits the league. It is up to the discretion of the replacement bowler to reimburse the original bowler this fee.

An individual wishing to quit during the season **MUST GIVE 2 WEEKS WRITTEN NOTICE** to the league secretary and must pay all fees for those 2 weeks and all arrearages.

### **Arrears are not allowed**

A bowler, who has been absent, upon return, will pay all arrearages and that nights bowling fee. Games may be forfeited at the discretion of the Board of Directors, by any team whose members are not current in league payments. The term "current" is defined as not being behind in payments more than one full week. A team cannot be required to forfeit if fees for an absent bowler are not paid on the night they are absent—or a vacancy spot (USBC Rule 110a).

If for some reason, fees are owed by one of a team's members at the end of the season, those monies will be withheld from that members point money.

All substitutes are required to pay a \$5.00 sub fee to this league each time they bowl.

Team Captains Responsibility:

- A. Collecting nightly bowling fees (\$11.00) and recording fees on envelope.
- B. USBC cards (\$15.00) filled out and paid by each team member the first night they bowl. If anyone bowls in this league and has a current certification card from another association, that person will pay the local association fee of \$5.00, collectible the first night they bowl. **This must be done by all bowlers before they bowl.**
- C. It is the duty of the team captain to be sure all fees are paid and to notify the league secretary of the sub.
- D. **Pay envelopes must returned to secretary before end of the first game.**

An account shall be opened in the name of the league in a bank, savings institution, or credit union. Withdrawals from the account shall be made only with the joint signatures of at least two authorized officers of the league.

### 3. AVERAGES

- A. Bowlers will use their average established in this league last season, based on 21 games or more. Handicap will be computed on this average for the first 9 games.
- B. Bowlers without a Tuesday Night Early Mixed League average will use their highest book average from previous season (2008-2009).
- C. If no average is applicable, bowlers will use 2009 summer league average of 21 games or more.
- D. If the bowler has no established average under the above provisions, the bowler will set a average at the conclusion of three (3) games, and handicap will be on a week to week basis for that bowler.

Handicap will be **85%** the difference between the bowlers average and **200**.

Absentee scores shall be the absent bowler's average less ten (10) pins.

Vacancy scores shall be **130** for both men and women. The 10 pin absentee penalty will not apply to vacancy scores.

If more than one regular member is absent, the absentee score for the member with the most games is to be used. If there are 2 absent bowlers with same number of games, the lowest average will be used.

### 4. LEGAL LINEUP

A legal lineup shall consist of two (2) regular members from the current roster. At least one male or one female must be represented in the lineup, either in person or by a blind.

Team rosters will be limited to five (5) members, with the provision that no team may field a lineup of all men or all women, regardless of roster status or substitutes. Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) members must have bowled at least 12 games to be eligible to bowl on position round night.

### 5. SUBSTITUTES

The league will maintain a list of roving substitutes. Subs may bowl for any member of a team unless it would result in the team being all male or all female. There will be a \$5.00 substitute fee. All substitute fees collected will be added to the prize fund.

No substitute will be allowed to bowl in the last week of each half or any roll-off.

**6. TARDY PLAYERS**

A bowler who arrives late may enter the game provided the leadoff bowler of the other team has not delivered the first ball of the 4<sup>th</sup> frame. If the bowler is more than 3 frames late, the bowler's blind score will be used. They have to be present by the first frame of the succeeding game in or to bowl the remaining games.

**7. POSTPONEMENTS/PRE-BOWL**

Postponements or pre-bowls must be requested at least 48 hours in advance, except in the case of an emergency. The team captain requesting the postponement or prebowl must contact the league secretary or president and the team captain they are scheduled to bowl. Postponed or pre-bowled games must be made up within seven (7) days of the scheduled match date. If proper notice is not given, the league board of directors shall decide if a postponement shall be granted. If at least 2 regular members of the team are available, no postponement will be granted.

The team scheduled to oppose the team that is requesting the postponement will have the option to either bowl unopposed on the scheduled night of bowling, or to bowl head-to-head on make-up the date. (Note: under USBC Rule 111-E, 7 & 8, unopposed scores shall count toward deciding league games and individual USBC awards.)

If bowling unopposed, scores will be withheld until each game is completed. If scores are available, team has the option to see scores at the completion of each game.

**8. FORFEITS**

When a forfeit is declared, the team forfeiting shall not receive any points. The team bowling must bowl no less 40 pins from their team's average to win the points and no less than 120 pins for the series.

9. All money will be divided between teams on a point won basis. All sub fees and fines will be added to the prize fund.
10. If necessary to decide the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams of the league, a roll-off will be held the week following the end of the regular season (April 27, 2010). It will be the best 2 out of 3 games. Total pins will no count.
11. **No children or visitors will be allowed in the settee areas.** Children must be on the carpeted area at all times. Failure to comply with these rules may result in a forfeit of the game or match. League officers will make the ruling. The warning from an officer will be given prior to a forfeit is declared.

**PROFANITY, OBSECNITIES, EQUIPTMENT ABUSE, OR UNDUE DISPLAY OF TEMPER WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.**

Food and drinks are not allowed in the settee area. Violators will be subject to a \$1.00 fine. Continued violations, upon a vote by the board, will be cause for dismissal from the league forfeiture of any money that person may have had coming to them. All funds collected will be added to the prize fund.

12. Checks will be accepted for league fees and certification cards. If more than one (1) check is returned, the remainder of the season league fees must be paid in cash. Issuer of a returned check will reimburse league for all bank charges assessed the league account plus the amount of the check.

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