

# MONDAY NIGHT MIXED

## LEAGUE RULES & REGULATIONS: 2023-2024 SEASON

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This league shall be comprised of 18 teams with 4 members on each team of any mix. This league will bowl on Monday with practice starting at 6:15 pm followed by league play at 6:25 pm. The first night of bowling will be August 28, 2023, and the league will bowl for 34 weeks ending on May 6, 2024. The roll-off will be held on May 6, 2024, immediately following regular play. No tap will be the following week, May 13, 2024. There will not be any bowling on September 4, 2023, December 25, 2023, or January 1, 2024.

This league will be sanctioned with the USBC and will bowl 3 games per night. All USBC cards will be \$27.00. This **MUST** be paid the first night you bowl. This league will be affiliated with the USBC, and their rules will prevail along with the following adopted rules:

**BOWLING FEES:** The cost is \$20.00 per person per week. The last 2 weeks are to be paid by the 5<sup>th</sup> week of bowling, October 2, 2023. It shall be the team captain's responsibility to collect fees from each member and deliver it to the secretary by the completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> game each week. No members shall be allowed to be more than 2 weeks behind in league fees and shall not be allowed to bowl until fees are current. Extenuating circumstances will be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis. If there is a vacant spot on a team, the team will be responsible for paying the prize fund and secretary fee (\$7.50) for each week there is a vacancy.

Payment methods: Cash, Check or Card. If paying by check, please make payable to "Vestavia Bowl." If paying by card, please pay at the front desk. You will put your receipt in the payment envelope. If you would like to pay cash, you can either put cash in your envelope or pay at the desk and put your receipt in the envelope.

Breakdown:	\$12.50	Lineage
	\$6.90	Prize Fund
	<u>\$0.60</u>	Secretary/Treasurer Fee
	\$20.00	per person per week

**ENTERING AVERAGE:** Averages will be based on the following order: All bowlers will use their final average from last season in this league, last season highest average in any other Vestavia Bowl league or highest GBUSBC 2022-2023 average based on 21 or more games. This average shall be used for 9 games. New bowlers without a previous average shall establish a 3-game average on the first night. (Must bowl all 3 games on the same night.)

**HANDICAP:** Individual handicap shall be based on 90% of 220.

**POINT SYSTEM:** This league will bowl on the 7-point system: 2 points for each game won and 1 point for total pins.

**LEGAL LINEUP:** A legal line up shall consist of 1 regular member ready to bowl before the end of the first frame.

**LANE COURTESY:** This league will use 1 lane courtesy.

**SEASON:** This league shall consist of 4 quarters with 8 weeks the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, 8 weeks in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, 9 weeks in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and 9 weeks in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. There will be a position round the last night of each quarter. Winners of each quarter will qualify for the roll off at the end of the season. If a team has already won a quarter and wins again, the roll off spot will go to the next team who has not already qualified for the roll off. Position round dates: 10/23/23, 12/18/23, 3/4/24 & 5/6/24

**TARDY BOWLERS:** Tardy bowlers shall not be allowed to catch up if the anchor bowler of the opposing team has bowled his/her 5<sup>th</sup> frame.

**SUBSTITUTIONS:** **A substitute may bowl during the season with any number of teams.** A substitute cannot average more than 50 pins than the person they are subbing for. There is no limit to how many pins under. Substitutes are allowed during a position round, but their average cannot be more than 10 pins above or below the person they are subbing for.

Subs will be allowed to bowl the position round provided they have the following number of games:

1<sup>st</sup> quarter: 9 games      2<sup>nd</sup> quarter: 15 games      3<sup>rd</sup> quarter: 21 games      4<sup>th</sup> quarter: 21 games

**VACANCY & ABSENTEE SCORES:** The vacancy score for both men and women shall be 140. An absent bowler shall receive their current average less 10 pins. A bowler's average may be used an unlimited number of weeks as long as bowling fees are current. Otherwise, it is the team captain's responsibility to change that person to a vacancy score. If the league should have an odd number of teams, the team bowling the vacant must bowl their average less 40 pins to receive credit for game points and their average series less 120 pins to get credit for total points.

**FORFEITS & POSTPONEMENTS:** A team must have at least 1 regular member present by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> frame in order to bowl. If not, a forfeit will be declared, or postponement arranged in case of emergencies. Emergencies will be determined by the Board of Directors. If declared a forfeit, the team present must bowl their average less 40 pins to receive credit for game points and their average series less 120 pins to get credit for total points.

**PREBOWLS/POSTBOWLS:** If a team is unable to bowl on a regular scheduled night, they may set up a pre or post bowl. They must be made up within 2 weeks of the missed week or prior to position round it will be forfeit (whichever comes first). Games must be made up 72 hours prior to position round. Best time to pre/post bowl: Sundays at 1:30 pm. Pre/post bowls must be scheduled at the front desk at least 1 day in advance. Lane courtesy is not guaranteed.

**WITHDRAWALS:** If a team withdraws and is not replaced by another team, then any money due to that team will be equally divided among the remaining teams. Team replacements shall accept the standings of the withdrawn team (games won, lost and financial standings). Individuals must give 2 weeks written notice when quitting the league.

**TIE SCORE:** To determine the winner of any roll off game in case of a tie, an extra 10<sup>th</sup> frame shall be rolled. Total pins with handicap will determine any ties.

**PAYOUT:** The total number of points won during the entire season will determine positions for prize money purposes. In the event of a tie, position will be determined by total handicap pins. There will be an additional payout for the teams in the roll off and the winner of the roll off will be the LEAGUE CHAMPION!

**ROLL OFF:** The 4 quarterly winners will participate in a championship roll off on the 34<sup>th</sup> week of bowling. No subs are allowed in the roll off. A single elimination format will be used with handicap. The 4 quarterly team winners will bowl one game. Placing after the first game will be based on total pins with handicap (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> with 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> places being eliminated). The teams in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place will bowl a second game to determine the league champions. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places will receive the same prize money for the roll off.

Individual averages of roll off teams will be the average they ended up with when they won their respective quarter -OR- at the end of the 34<sup>th</sup> week, whichever is higher.

**PRIZES:** An individual bowler must have bowled 2/3 of the season (68 games) to be eligible for individual awards. The individual prizes will be based on the bowler's average after 21 games. There will be scratch and handicap awards. Only one individual prize is allowed per person with the exception of high average and most improved. Prizes will be awarded in the following order: Handicap Series, Handicap Game, Scratch Series, Scratch Game.

**PRIZE FUND COMMITTEE:** Sam Mundi, Lisa Raco & Linda Graham      Must have by the 5<sup>th</sup> week of bowling (October 2, 2023)

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** All team captains and league officers shall make up the board of directors. A meeting shall be held at the end of season payout to make plans for the following season. League officers will be elected at this time by the entire league and each team will reserve or forfeit their spot for the following season.

**BANK STATEMENT:** The league president shall verify the bank statement at least once a month. A bank statement will be posted each month and the financial statement will be given to each team captain at the end of the season.

**50/50 DRAWINGS:** The league will conduct 50/50 drawings during the year. Half of the money collected will be given away to the winner and the other half will go into the No-Tap prize fund. This money will be turned in and held with the league money. This will be divided equally between the ladies and the men.

**NO-TAP:** Substitutes will be allowed to participate in the no-tap at the end of the season as long as they have bowled at least 21 games.

*LEAGUE CAN RUN ANY SIDE GAMES THAT ALL MONEY GETS RETURNED BACK TO THE LEAGUE 100% THAT NIGHT: POKER, MYSTERY DOUBLES  
NO SUBSTANCES ARE ALLOWED TO BE PUT ON THE BOTTOM OF YOUR BOWLING SHOES INCLUDING EASY SLIDE.*