

MONDAY NIGHT TICKET LEAGUE 25/26 Bylaws

Please note: The bylaws/rules cover only rules which are necessary for the Bowling League Secretary software. Many areas, such as tardy players and team franchises, are not covered here and should be appended to these league rules.

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General Rules

About our League:

The league shall be called **MONDAY NIGHT TICKET LEAGUE 25/26** and will be referred to as "League" through the rest of this document.

The league will have **16** teams of **4** bowlers per team, and the teams will be bowling **3** games each week/session. The teams will bowl against one opponent each week.

When we Bowl

The League will bowl on **Monday** at **7:00 pm** beginning **September 8, 2025**. It will be a **Fall Season** and will bowl for **31** weeks/sessions. The final week of competition will be week number **31**. The League starts on lane **3**.

If the league schedule repeats, shift the teams by one pair to prevent bowling the same team on the same pair of lanes.

Type of League and Features

Type of bowling will be **Standard 10-pin bowling**

This will be a **mixed league**.

The League will be **Handicapped**.

This league will not be sanctioned.

Where we Bowl

The league bowls at **Shakopee Bowl**.

Split Season

Split Season Schedule

The league schedule will be divided into **3** parts. The segments begin with weeks **1, 11 and 21**.

At the start of each split **Team Points and Match Points** will be restarted.

Team Standings Determination

Team standings will be determined by **Current Split**

Legal Lineup

This league shall consist of **16** teams with a playing strength of **4** bowlers per team. The minimum legal lineup shall consist of **2** eligible players of which **2** must be from the team's current roster.

When advancing to the next week, the team rosters will display **Bowlers in the order that they last bowled**.

Injured bowler scores (type "I" scores) shall count towards a legal lineup.

Individual Average and Handicap

Book and Entering Averages

A bowler's **Entering Average (Book if no Entering Average)** shall be used for the first **9** games bowled. For bowlers without an average, the first night's average shall be used for the first **9** games bowled.

Individual Handicaps

Basic Individual Handicap Rules

The handicap will be the same for all genders. The handicap will be **90%** of the difference between the bowler's average and **210**.
The handicap shall be limited to **0** pins per game.
A DUMMY score (absentee score with no handicap) shall be **150**.
A VACANCY score shall be **188**.
An ABSENTEE score shall be the bowler's average less **10** pins.

Team Handicaps

Basic Team Handicaps Rules

The team handicap shall be the sum of the bowlers' individual handicaps.
The team handicap shall not be limited.

Absent Players

Absentee Score Rules

An absentee score shall be the bowler's average less **10** pins for all bowlers.

When bowling against an **ABSENTEE**, the player must bowl within **10** pins of his average to win the points. In the case of a "tie", the player wins the points (points are not split).

Absent players may not earn points. Points they would have won will be awarded only to the team winning the game.

When an absentee or vacancy bowls against another absentee or vacancy, the points will be awarded to the team winning the game.

The team scheduled to bowl on the ODD (left hand) lane shall enter its lineup first. When both teams have a vacancy or absentee, they must be placed opposite each other.

Vacant Players

Vacancy Score Rules

The vacancy score shall be **188** for all genders.

The League will use a Dummy score (a score with no handicap) of **150** for all genders.

When bowling against a **VACANCY**, the player must bowl within **10** pins of his average to win the points. In the case of a "tie", the player wins the points (points are not split).

Forfeits

Opposing a Forfeiting Team

When bowling against a **FORFEIT**, the team must bowl within **40** pins of the team average to win the points. The team average will be the sum of the averages of the bowlers who bowled. In the case of a "tie", the team wins the points (points will not be split).

Opposing a Forfeiting Player

When bowling against a **FORFEIT**, the player must bowl within **10** pins of his average to win the points. In the case of a "tie", the player wins the points (points are not split).

Bye Teams

Team

When bowling against a **BYE**, the team must bowl within **40** pins of the team average to win the points. The team average will be the sum of the averages of the bowlers who bowled. In the case of a "tie", the team wins the points (points will not be split).

Individual

When bowling against a **BYE**, the player must bowl within **10** pins of his average to win the points. In the case of a "tie", the player wins the points (points are not split).

The BYE team name shall be **BYE**.

Team Points

Point System

The League will use the standard team point system.

5 points will be awarded to the winner of each team game.

10 points will be awarded for the winner of the team series (total pinfall with handicap).

Team Standings

Team standings will be determined by the actual number of points won.

Total pinfall WITH HDCP then Actual Games Won (not points) will be the priority in how to break Team Standings ties when teams are tied in Points Won.

Individual Match Points

2 points will be awarded to the winner of each match game.

Absent players may not earn points. Points they would have won will be awarded only to the team winning the game.

When an absentee or vacancy bowls against another absentee or vacancy, the points will be awarded to the team winning the game.

The team scheduled to bowl on the ODD (left hand) lane shall enter its lineup first. When both teams have a vacancy or absentee, they must be placed opposite each other.

Individual match-point standings will be determined by the actual number of points won (rather than the percentage)

Rotation

Opponents **do not** rotate each game when determining match points.

Point Summary

Summary of Points

The following standard points will be awarded:

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| 25 | Total Standard Team Points per Night |
| 24 | Total Possible Match Points per Night |
| | (6 match points multiplied by playing strength of 4) |

49	Total possible points for a team to win each time bowled
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Standard Team Points

The following standard team points will be awarded:

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| 0 | Total SCRATCH game points (0 points per game x 3 games per night) |
| 15 | Total HDCP game points (5 points per game x 3 games per night) |
| 0 | Points for winning SCRATCH series |
| 10 | Points for winning HDCP series |
| 0 | Total possible bonus points |

25	Total possible points per team per week
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Individual Match Points

The following individual match points will be awarded:

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| 0 | Total SCRATCH game points (0 points per game x 3 games per night) |
| 6 | Total HDCP game points (2 points per game x 3 games per night) |
| 0 | Points for winning SCRATCH series |
| 0 | Points for winning HDCP series |
| 0 | Total possible bonus points |

6	Total possible points per individual per week
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Special Recognition

Team Awards

This league will award team prizes for the high **scratch** and **handicap** scores for the season.

When a team has a zero handicap, the scratch scores *shall* be included with the handicap scores for determining handicap prizes.
(Because technically it is a ZERO handicap, rather than NO handicap.)

Team handicap scores will be counted towards league prizes beginning with scores bowled in week 1.

If a Team qualifies for more than one **Season** game and/or series prize, the Team may receive **ALL** prizes.

If a Team qualifies for more than one **Weekly** game and/or series prize, the Team may receive **ALL** prizes.

In the event of a tie: The teams involved in the tie shall receive duplicate awards and will occupy the same place in the standings.
Example: If a tie for first and second, the 2 teams will occupy first place and the next eligible team will be in second place.

Individual Awards

This league will award individual prizes for the high **scratch** and **handicap** scores for the season.

Individual handicap scores will be counted towards league prizes starting with each bowler's game # 1.

When a bowler has a zero handicap, the scratch scores *shall* be included with the handicap scores for determining handicap prizes.
(Because technically it is a ZERO handicap, rather than NO handicap.)

This league awards prizes for the most pins over average in a game and for series.

If a Bowler qualifies for more than one **Season** game and/or series prize, the Bowler may receive **ALL** prizes.

If a Bowler qualifies for more than one **Weekly** game and/or series prize, the Bowler may receive **ALL** prizes.

In the event of a tie: The players involved in the tie shall share equally in the prizes for the places involved in the tie.
Example: If a tie for first and second, the 2 players will occupy first and second place and the next eligible player will be in third place. The cash prizes for first and second will be combined together and divided equally between the two players.

Temporary substitute bowlers will be eligible for league prizes.

Permanent substitute bowlers will be eligible for league prizes.

Most Improved Average:

The Most-Improved-Average will be determined by comparing the bowler's average at **12** games and the average at the end of the season.

At the end of the season, a bowler must have completed **45** of the games to be eligible for a league award.

Pre-bowled and Make-Up games *shall* qualify for league awards.

Pre-bowled and Make-Up games *shall not* qualify for association awards.

Social Distancing Rules

Text Bylaws (Used for reference only)

During the COVID19 Pandemic, this league will practice social distancing for the health and well being of its members and center employees.

Celebrations - No group celebrations, high 5's, hugs, handshakes, fist bumps, etc. Rub elbows if you must.

Distancing - Maintain distancing as best as possible. Please try to keep as much distance from each other, if 6 feet is not possible. Lane courtesy should be observed to help.

Equipment - Please only touch your own equipment.

Masks - When possibly, please wear your mask. Check with the proprietor if your state requires masks when at the lanes or settee area.

Courtesy - Be courteous to others regarding social distance practices. Some bowlers may have more compromised health issues than others.

Hand Sanitizer - Please use the hand sanitizer made available by the center when coming to bowl. Also use after using the restroom.

End of Social Distancing - To be determined by the league at the beginning meeting, should social distancing requirements end during the bowling season, the league will immediately return to traditional bowling.

Special Options

If the league rules were based on a template, it will be named here. The template may be renamed to save the league rules as a template to simplify creating similar leagues.

Template Name: **monday night ticket - master rules**

Kiosk Options (Pro and A/S Features)

League will be exported to kiosk

More Information

Additional Payment Information

Substitute Bowlers will **not** pay Regular Fees:

Weekly Payments will be recorded: **As Individuals on a Team**