



## Tuesday Nite Mixers



2017 – 2018 Rules

### Rule 1: Schedule

The Tuesday Nite Mixers bowling league shall be sanctioned by the USBC through their respective local associations. This league shall consist of 14 teams of five members each. Teams must consist of at least 1 member of each gender. The league shall bowl each Tuesday evening for 34 weeks, commencing August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and ending April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. There will be one holiday week (Dec. 26, 2017). All scheduled matches shall start at 6:30pm promptly with practice starting at 6:20pm. League assigned lanes are 1-14

### Rule 2: Management

The management of this league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, consisting of the elected officers and team captains. A simple majority shall constitute a quorum. The membership shall elect the officers and ratify the league rules. At least one officer must be a man and one a woman. Officers elected August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for the 2017 – 2018 season are as follows:

President – Anthia Salmen  
Vice President – Jeff Frerichs (402) 610-1243  
Secretary/Treasurer – Sun Valley Lanes (402) 475-3469  
Sergeant-At-Arms – Lee Towle Jr (402) 309-4769

### Rule 3: Fees

The amount to be paid each night shall be \$15.00 of which \$12.50 shall cover the cost of bowling, this fee is locked in through the 2018-2019 league season. A \$25.00 sponsorship fee shall be paid by each team no later than the sixth week of bowling. The money shall be used to cover the cost of league prizes. If a team's sponsorship fee is not paid by the sixth week, the amount to be paid will be doubled to \$50.00.

### Rule 4: Franchise

The franchise shall be held by the team captain as long as the captain is acceptable to a majority of the Board of Directors. No franchise shall be recalled without sufficient cause.

Each captain must notify Sun Valley Lanes of his/her intention to field a team on the last night of bowling. Failure to do so may result in the franchise being reassigned by the Board of Directors. Final decisions concerning the captaincy shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

### Rule 5: Prizes

Team monies will be awarded based on points won. Individual monies shall be given for high game and series, scratch and handicap, for both men and women in the amount of \$15.00 each. Monies in the amount of \$15.00 each shall be awarded for most improved, for men and women. No bowler may receive more than one individual award (Most improved being an exception).

To qualify for individual awards a bowler must have bowled fifty-one percent (51%) of the scheduled games. Under extenuating circumstances a bowler may still be eligible to earn awards. They must bowl a minimum of 21 games and fifty-one percent (51%) of the games they were eligible to bowl. This must be approved by the Board of Directors and the team captain must advise Sun Valley Lanes of the circumstances.

#### Rule 6: Entering Averages

Bowlers in this league shall use last year's final average based on a minimum of 21 games in this league. All others shall use their highest book average from the previous season.

New members who do not qualify under the above conditions shall establish an average. A complete three game series must be bowled to establish an average.

#### Rule 7: Handicap

The handicap in this league shall be ninety percent (90%) of 220, based on individual averages, with the team handicap being the sum of the 5 bowlers bowling that night.

Handicaps will be based on the entering average (last season's league average) until a nine game average has been established. Thereafter handicap shall be based on the current average. If the bowler did not bowl in the league the previous season their high book average from the previous season will be used.

#### Rule 8: Team Rosters

Captains will turn in rosters of team members to Sun Valley Lanes no later than the end of the first night. Rosters will not be limited in number of bowlers. Any roster changes must be reported to Sun Valley Lanes the first night that the new member bowls.

New players cannot be added to the team roster in the final seven weeks of the schedule without the approval of the Board of Directors.

#### Rule 9: Substitutes

A list of substitutes shall be maintained by Sun Valley Lanes. No new substitutes may be added in the final seven weeks of bowling.

#### Rule 10: Legal Lineup

A legal lineup shall consist of three members of the current team roster. A legal lineup must be present by the completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> frame. Teams failing to meet this requirement shall forfeit the game.

#### Rule 11: Forfeitures

When a game is declared forfeit, the team present shall bowl as though the games were actually contested. The point for that game shall only be awarded to the team that is present. (In compliance with USBC Rule 110c)

#### Rule 12: Absentee and Vacancy score

Absentee scores shall be allowed when a team has a legal lineup, but less than a full lineup. The absentee score shall be the absent members average less ten pins. The absentee average shall comply with rule #7 until a nine game average is established. When there are more than five members on a team roster, the average of the member having the most games shall be used. If two members have the same amount of games, then the member having the lowest average will be used (with compliance to rule #9).

Handicap will be figured on the actual average of the designated absentee(s).

When a team has a legal lineup, but cannot field a full lineup, a vacancy score of 140 for women and men. A vacancy score of 140 will be used in all instances.

#### Rule 13: Postponements

Postponements shall be authorized when both teams are agreeable. When a conflict arises the Board of Directors must decide and rule on the validity and necessity of the postponement. Postponements other than valid emergencies must be authorized by a league officer (Anthia Salmen, Jeff Frerichs or Lee Towle Jr.) **and** presented to Sun Valley Lanes within 24 hours in advance of the scheduled match.

Postponements should be made up prior to the next scheduled night of bowling. If the two teams cannot meet this requirement the secretary shall schedule the teams for a time and date no later than two weeks after the postponed match. Failure to bowl at the appointed time may result in forfeiture.

#### Rule 14: Bowling Unopposed

Bowling unopposed shall be permitted in this league. An officer of this league or an authorized member of the Sun Valley Lanes staff must be present when any team bowls unopposed. Any and all conflicts shall be presented to the Board of Directors. Their decision shall be final.

#### Rule 15: Tardy Players

Tardy players may enter a game providing five (5) complete frames have not been bowled. Frames may be made up.

#### Rule 16: Position Standings

Position standings shall be determined on points awarded for games won. This league shall use a seven (7) point system with two (2) points awarded for each game won and one (1) point awarded for series. Ties shall be awarded one (1) point and one-half (1/2) point respectively.

#### Rule 17: Position Weeks

League position nights will be on week 14 and week 28 (based on 14 teams) and the final night being a "fun night". The fun night will utilize games agreed to by the league officers and Sun Valley Lanes.

#### Rule 18: Conflicts

All conflicts not covered in these rules shall be governed by the rule or rules of the USBC.

#### Rule 19: Arrears

If any member of any team gets 2 or more weeks behind, that bowler will not be allowed to bowl until all arrears are paid.