

Ithaca Sport League Rules

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1. The league shall consist of two-person teams bowling a 28 week schedule. The schedule shall be divided up into two 14-week seasons, with weeks 14 and 28 being position rounds. The league is a Sport-certified league that will bowl 4 weeks on each of 7 different sport-certified patterns. At season end, the winner of the first half will bowl the winner of the second half in a 3 game match at a time convenient for the bowlers and the house. If both teams cannot agree upon a time, the match must be held the following week at the regular league scheduled time.
2. Each match will consist of a total of 25 points. The point will be earned as follows:
 - a. 1 point will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the highest game against the opposing bowler in the same slot in the lineup.
 - b. 2 points will be awarded to the bowler who has the highest 3-game series against the opposing bowler in the same slot.
 - c. 3 points will be awarded for each game to the team with the higher 3 person total.
 - d. 6 points will be awarded to the team with the higher 3 game total.
 - e. The team points will total 15 points. The individual and the team points together total 25 points.
3. Handicap for the league will be 70% of 200. All prize money will be awarded based on both scratch and handicap scores. An individual bowler or team can win as many awards as they earn, but only one per category. Individual high score prizes will be awarded regardless of the number of games the individual bowled as long as they are a regular league member.
4. League officers will be made up of a President, Vice President and a Secretary/Treasurer. Each year at season end an election will be held by the league to elect officers for the next season.
5. The cost of bowling per week will be \$16.00 per person consisting of \$10.00 for lineage and \$6.00 for the prize fund.
6. The team sponsor fee will be \$50.00. The league sponsor fee is \$250.00. The Secretary/Treasurer salary is \$300.00.
7. Any team that is more than 2 weeks delinquent in weekly fees (unless special arrangements have been made) will forfeit all points until fees become current.

8. In the event a team is missing a bowler, the team will be awarded a score equal to the absent bowler's average minus 20 pins plus their handicap. If the absent bowler does not have an average (see below), then the vacancy score of 120 plus handicap will be awarded. The bowler on the opposing team bowling the absent bowler must beat the absentee scores plus handicap with their own scratch scores plus their own handicap in order to earn points for each game and series. If the bowler does not bowl the necessary game/series to earn the individual points, then the absent opposing player will not get credit for any of the points. These points will be considered unearned points. The opposing team can win any team points they earn using the absentee scores. Criteria for average to be used for the absentee scores will be as follows in this order: current average within this league (9 games minimum unless none of the other criteria are available), last year's average from this league, last year's highest sanctioned average from any Sport certified league, current highest sanctioned average from any Sport certified league (21 games minimum).
9. In the event of weather related postponements the league members will decide with a vote when the makeup will be scheduled.
10. In the event a team can't bowl on any scheduled night, the team captain must notify the opposing team captain of their plan to make it up and give that team the option to bowl against them at least one week in advance.
11. A bowler arriving late will have until the end of the 5th frame of any game to be considered a legal bowler for that game.
12. Each week the team bowling on the left hand lane will set their team order first. The team on the right hand lane will follow with their team order for the night.
13. Position round lane assignments will be based on a blind draw each half by the league officers and team captains in weeks 13 and 27.
14. In the event of any ties at the end of either half, a 3 game match will be bowled to determine the winner. If the roll off at the season end is a 12.5-12.5 tie, a 1 game match will be bowled to determine league champions with total pins determining the winner.
15. If the league has an odd number of teams and a team is bowling a blind team, each individual must bowl within 20 pins of their average each game and within 60 pins for series in order to take points. The team must bowl within 40 pins of the team average each game and within 120 pins for series in order to take points. There are no ties bowling against the blind team. All ties are wins for the individual or team.