

Cortland Sport League Rules 2020-2021

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Sec: Jim Myers

1. The league shall be a singles league bowling three games per week for a total of 24 weeks. The schedule will be divided into three eight week sessions. The league will bowl four weeks on each of six sport patterns.
2. Each week (except the first week of each session) the individuals who took the most points the previous week will bowl together on one pair and the individuals that took the least points the previous week will bowl together on another pair. If there is a tie for any position, the most points taken from the previous week (and so on) will break the tie. For the first week of each session, the pairings will be drawn randomly. The lane assignments for each matchup will rotate between the available lanes.
3. For each match, the points will be earned as follows (this will adjust according to the number of bowler on each pair):
 - a. 5 points will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the highest handicap game among the bowlers on the same pair.
 - b. 4 points will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the second handicap game among the bowlers on the same pair.
 - c. 3 points will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the third highest handicap game among the bowlers on the same pair.
 - d. 2 points will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the fourth highest handicap game among the bowlers on the same pair.
 - e. 1 point will be awarded for each game to the bowler with the lowest handicap game among the bowlers on the same pair.
 - f. Points will be awarded for handicap series total in the same fashion.
 - g. Points will be divided evenly for any ties (i.e. if two bowlers tie for 2nd, then they will split the points for 2nd and 3rd ($3+2=5/2=2.5$)).
4. Handicap will be 80% of the highest average on the pair. All prize money will be awarded based on scratch scores only. An individual bowler can only win one high game or high series award. They may win as many other awards as they earn. 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.
5. All bowlers will establish their average the first time that they bowl and maintain a running average from then on.

6. If there are any blinds on a pair, the blind score will be 85% of the high average on the pair (no handicap). Bowlers on that pair must beat that score (with their handicap) to take the appropriate points.
7. In the event a person can't bowl on any scheduled night, they should find a sub if they can. If it is a last minute situation, they may make up the bowling within a week of the regularly scheduled time. Make-up sessions are available pending the availability of the lanes and the pattern being bowled on.
8. In the event a bowler is absent and has not made arrangements for a makeup, a blind score will be used in their place and they shall receive whatever points that the blind score takes. If a bowler has to leave due to an emergency or injury, they will receive a blind score of their average minus 20 pins and will win the points that score would win.
9. 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.
10. Youth bowlers are allowed to bowl in this league. Any prize money they earn will go into a SMART account. All bowlers (including subs) that are 18 years of age or older must complete the SafeSport training before bowling in the league. The training can be found by logging into bowl.com and accessing the training through the Athlete Safety page under My USBC.
11. League officers will be made up of a President and a Secretary/Treasurer. An election will be held by the league during the year end banquet to elect officers for the next season.
12. The cost of bowling per week will be \$15.00 per person consisting of \$9.00 for lineage and \$6.00 for the prize fund.
13. The Secretary/Treasurer salary is \$250.00. The league sponsor fee is \$500.
14. Any individual that is more than 2 weeks delinquent in weekly fees (unless special arrangements have been made) will forfeit all points until fees become current.
15. In the event of weather related postponements the league members will decide with a vote when the makeup will be scheduled.