

# Town & Country League Rules

## 2023-2024 Bowling Year

- The Town & Country League will start warm-up at 6:30pm and start bowling at 6:45pm. The league is 30 weeks long and will bowl a split season with a position night the 15th and 30th week with a roll-off of the first-place winners of each half.
- Each team will consist of 4 to 6 members with the nightly bowling strength of 2 males and 2 females or 3 males and 1 female or 3 females and 1 male. If the team does not have 4 bowlers present the absent bowler shall get a score of the regular bowler average less 10 pins, handicap will stay the same. Two regular bowlers with a legal line up with two subs or two blinds. Regular bowlers will pay the bowling fee for the substitute bowlers unless other arrangements have been made.
- No person under the age of 18 is permitted to bowl in this league.
- **Please remember bowling courtesy and keep all children and visitors on the carpeted areas only, not on the bowling tiles.**
- Each bowler's average will be carried over from the preceding season for 6 games. This rule shall apply equally to regular bowlers and subs that had established an average on the first night they bowl. Absent scores for the first night of bowling will be as follows men-150 and women-120.
- Team Handicap will be total of 100% of 210
- Bowling fees are \$15.00 per person. The big Apple Lineage Fee is \$12.75. The Secretary fee will be .25 cents and \$2.00 will go to the prize fund. The Big Apple will be serving as the bank for the league with their house banking program. So please make checks payable to *Town & Country*. Two signatures will be required for withdrawals of league funds. **Team captains are responsible for having the full \$60.00 required per team per week in their envelope each night. Bowlers must pay bowling fees whether they bowl or not.**
- It will be the *responsibility of the team captain* to see that all persons who bowl with their team for the first time *fill out a sanction card* and *pay sanction fees*, unless the bowler has sanctioned through another league association.
- Team sponsor fees are \$40.00 which will go into the prize fund. The prize committee will use it for prizes, along with the prize fund money. The Sponsor fees are due by September 24th, 2023.
- League standings will be determined on the basis of 1 point for each game and 1 point for series so, there is a possibility of 4 points per night. Total points will determine the winner of each half of the season. In case of a tie there will be a ONE GAME roll off to determine the Winner. In the event of another tie, there will be a Frame by Frame roll off until a winner is determined.
- A bowler who arrives late may enter the game prior to the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> frame. With the frames missing being made up. A bowler arriving after the 4<sup>th</sup> frame has started must wait until the next game.
- It is the responsibility of the team captain to contact the League Secretary about any postponements or cancellations if your team is going to be late or gone. *All fees must be paid.*
- Make-up games must be made up to one week prior and up to one week after the absence, unless prior arrangements have been made. Except at the end of the bowling season. All games are to be made up before position night. (This is bowling weeks, not calendar weeks).
- If we have a vacant team (the bye team), the opposing team making 40 pins within their team average will determine wins and losses.

- In regard to position night and year end roll off. All team bowlers must have an established average on this league to participate in position round and roll off matches. Teams bowling in the playoffs must be in direct opposition to each other (head-to-head match). The captains of the teams involved shall agree to a date and time for bowling the match. The date and time must be within one week of the season end date or when the playoff teams have been determined, whichever comes first. If the captains cannot agree on a date and time the league secretary shall set a date and time and notify both team captains of the date and time. This notification should be at least three days prior to the date. A team not present or late on the determined date and time will forfeit the match.
- All league awards will be figured on a handicap basis. All bowlers must have bowled in 12 games to qualify for USBC awards and ½ of the total games (45 games) to qualify for Town & Country Recognition awards.
- The league will determine the holidays off in the fall meeting. Labor Day, Christmas, New Years and Easter. This Year are as follows; We will NOT be bowling Labor Day (9/3), Christmas Day Eve (12/24), New Years' Eve (12/31) and Easter (3/31/24).
- We Bowl 30 weeks this year so....If weather permits, April 7th will be the last regular bowling night (Position Night). Roll Off/Fun night/Meeting will be on April 14th.

#### League Officers 2023-2024

**President: John Krotz.....308-440-9799**  
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Any league information such as postponements due to weather, cancellations, league meetings, exc., will be posted on the bulletin board section of the Kearney USBC website, [kearneybowling.com](http://kearneybowling.com) this will give you a place to check for any league information. If there are questionable weather conditions and the league decides to bowl or the bowling alley is/will be closing, this will also be posted. This can be checked at any time. [kearneybowling.com](http://kearneybowling.com)

In bad or questionable weather please use your own discretion if you need to travel. You need to judge if traveling is safe for you.

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