THE BIG M 10 PIN LEAGUE 2025-2026 LEAGUE RULES

Sanctioned by CTF

All CTF general playing rules not covered will be observed.

League will be made of 4 person teams bowling 3 games per night.

Teams can be made up of any combination of men or women.

President: Susan Leblanc

League Secretary & Treasurer: Lyndzie Dawson-Guay

Vice - President:Aaron Craig2nd Vice:Karen O'BrienSargent of Arms:Mitch Parker

The league currently will be on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm.

The league will be 34 weeks in length with the season divided into four series.

Week 32 will be a League Champs Position Round.

Weeks 33 & 34 will be roll offs. Pre-bowls will be allowed for roll-offs pending executive approval.

Bowlers must be ready to bowl for their turn. If they are not ready they will receive 0 for that frame.

All Bowler's in the league must be 16yrs or older at the time of bowling.

COST: Weekly bowling fee: \$26.00 per bowler per night

No bowler will be allowed to owe more than 2 weeks of fees.

If they go over that they will not be allowed to bowl until the fees are paid.

CTF sanctioning dues must be paid by week 4. New bowlers after week 4 must have their dues paid before starting their 3rd week in the league. Bowlers paying through another league must have their cards submitted in the same time frame.

ENTERING AVERAGE & HANDICAP:

Bowlers will use the following criteria for their entering average in order:

Returning members: Last season's final average.

New Bowlers or Spares:

- Current Seasons Average, minimum 21 games.
- Highest final sanctioned or non-sanctioned average from 2024-25 minimum 21 games.
- Last previous season of bowling available, minimum 21 games.
- Bowlers without an average will have their average computed after the first night of bowling.
- League averages will be calculated after 3 games bowled.
- <u>Handicap will be 90% of the difference of 230 less the bowlers average per game, dropping the decimal.</u>

PRE-BOWLS & SUBSTITUTES:

Pre-bowls will be allowed. Teams may carry up to 6 members on their roster. League substitutes will be listed on the standing sheet and will be available for any team. If a substitute bowls more than 2 weeks in the league, a CTF card must be purchased or application filled out if paid in another league before he/she bowls the 3rd week.

The team and the substitute will determine cost for a substitute bowler. The team is responsible to pay \$104.00 per night, regardless of how many bowlers are present or if substitutes are used. **LEGAL LINEUP:**

A legal lineup consists of at least 2 team roster bowlers. Pre-bowls are counted as team roster bowlers. There is no limit on the number of pre-bowls a team may use.

Teams may loan a member of their roaster to another team as a substitute as needed.

POINTS:

2 points are awarded to the winner of each game. 2 points are awarded for the winner of the series. Regressive points are awarded for first place team series. The remaining teams are awarded lesser points based on their place.

ABSENT BOWLERS:

If a bowler is absent, score used shall be bowler's average less 10%.

USING A VACANT:

If a team does not have a permanent full roster they may use up to 2 Vacant Scores. A vacant will be given an average of 140 and will not be responsible for team fees nor will they be eligible to receive prize money. Any team with a vacant may have a bowler assigned to their team at anytime.

BOWLING A BYE TEAM:

If a team is bowling the bye or a team without a legal lineup, the team must bowl the team average less 40 pins to win the points. In case of a tie the team wins the points.

SUBSTITUTIONS DURING A GAME:

Bowlers can not substitute players during a game. Should a bowler become injured during play average will be used.

PAYOUT AND PRIZES:

Payout will take place following the final night of rolloffs.

The league will award prizes for scratch and handicap scores.

In order to qualify for individual awards a bowler must have completed 50% of the games.

If a team or individual qualifies for more than one season game and/or series prize, the team or individual will receive only 1 award. The prize will be awarded based on the following priority:

Scratch Series

Scratch Game

Handicap Series

Handicap Game

League Champs will be determined by adding points for all 4 series together.

MOST IMPROVED:

The most improved average is determined by comparing the bowler's average at 21 games and the average at the end of the season. However, if a bowler has a book average, the book average shall be used in determining the change in average at the end of the season.

Pre-bowls do not qualify for individual awards. Pre-bowls are used in calculating average.

PRIZE/AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Prize committee shall be made up of the league executives.