

Arlington Lanes

Vegas in Motion League Rules

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League Name: Vegas in Motion League #: Season: Fall 2025-26
Co-sponsored by ABT/Brunswick/South Point Bowling Plaza

Day: Saturday Practice Time: 9:20am Start Time: 9:30am # Weeks + Sweeps: 41+1

Of Teams: 40 Ratio: Any # per team: 4

Start Date: 9/6/25 Final Day: 7/11/26 Fil-Am Team Challenge/Sweepers: 7/18/26

Position Weeks: 6/27/26 & 7/11/26 Byes: 10/25/25, 2/7/26, 5/16/26 & 7/4/26

- MANAGEMENT:** The management of this league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which consists of the league officers and team captains. The board shall handle all business and disputes. It requires a 100% written vote of the board to change any rule once it is approved.
- CERTIFICATION:** This league will be certified by the rules of USBC and the Citrus Belt BA. Certification fees for men and women are \$30.00. Membership card must be filled out and must be paid by the completion of the bowler's first series. **Bowlers NOT certified are ineligible and are the responsibility of the TEAM CAPTAIN to make sure all bowlers on the team is certified. Fee breakdown, National-\$15, State-\$2, and Local- \$13. If new subs do not submit sanction cards before completion of their series, the team will forfeit games played with the ineligible bowler.**
- RULES:** All rules not covered herein, the league will abide by the rules of USBC and their local Association.
- LEAGUE FEES:**
 - League fees shall be \$30.00, \$ 12.50 for bowling lineage and record keeping service with the balance of \$ 17.50 for prize fund. \$1 of the weekly league fee will be for a bowling ball raffle entry for each permanent rostered member. 40 Bowling Balls will be raffled off every week starting on week 2 and ending on week 41. Each bowler could only win one of the 40 balls being raffled off weekly during the season. There may be traditional ball raffles with proceeds going to the prize fund.
 - \$1 of the weekly fee will be go towards the secretary Fee. These funds will be held in the league accounts payable upon completion of secretarial duties.
 - Last three weeks of league (including sweepers) must be prepaid (double pay weeks) on 8th, 13th and 17th week. No Payment on week 5, & 6 due to secretary absence. Double pay weeks on week 22 & 25 to makeup for those non-payment weeks. Subject to change during the season.
 - It is the TEAM CAPTAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY TO COLLECT ALL LEAGUE FEES from each team member and return pay envelopes to the Secretary no later than the end of the FIRST game.**
 - MEMBERS PRESENT TO BOWL MUST PAY.** Absent bowlers must make up all due fees upon returning plus current fees owed. Except for absenteeism, if members are not current in league fees, the team will forfeit all points while the shortage exists. If a bowler is more than 3 weeks owed for league fees, vacancy score will be used until payments are current.
 - When paying via Zelle, Paypal, Venmo or CashApp, payments must be received by 11am of the day of the league or it is considered non-payment for that week and could be grounds for forfeiture if not up to date with league fees.
 - All shortages, including No-bowler prize fund shortages will be deducted from a team's earnings at the end of the season.
The franchise fee of \$120 paid by each team captain will be applied to the first week of bowling for each team.
- LEAGUE FUNDS:** The league shall deposit their prize monies with the Arlington Lanes Deposit Service. Two officers' signatures are required to make withdrawals from this account. According to USBC Rule 102, the president is responsible for verifying the bank balance monthly. By the second week of bowling the president shall appoint an AUDIT COMMITTEE, consisting of three people. This committee shall perform an audit at least once during the season. The president will present prize fund options by the 5th week for approval of the league.
- AVERAGES:** Entering averages for the Fall 2025-26 season will be as follows:
 - Ending average from Vegas in Motion Fall 2024-25 (minimum 21 games).
 - If no (a), highest book average (on www.bowl.com as of date bowler joins the league) for last 3 Seasons at Arlington Lanes starting 2022-23 to 2024-25 of at least 21 games (Winter or Summer)
 - If no (a) or (b), highest book average (on www.bowl.com as of date bowler joins the league) for last 3 Seasons at any bowling center starting 2022-23 to 2024-25 of at least 21 games (Winter or Summer). Composite average of at least 21 games will be used, if greater.
 - If no a, b, or c, then use **200 Average men and 165 women to meet team max** and bowler will establish first week of bowling.
PLEASE NOTE: Team max shall be: **800 using entering averages above.** It is the team captain's responsibility to avoid forfeiture of games if team is over 800.
- HANDICAP:** Individual handicap to be used shall be 90 % of 240. No Bowler or vacancy bowler use 75% of 240 for 3 weeks (140 Score, 75 Handicap), on the 4th consecutive week, minus 10 (140 Score, 65 Handicap). For those with entering averages, a 10pin drop rule will be enforced after 9 games on a weekly basis. The 10-pin drop rule will NOT be applied to entering averages for the following season.
- ABSENTEE SCORES:** The absentee score shall be the bowler's average -10. Handicap shall be unchanged. Absentee score may be used for a maximum of three consecutive weeks. After 3 weeks revert back to a vacancy score.
- VACANCY SCORES:** In the event a team is short a bowler or bowlers in its roster, a vacancy score of 140 will be used with handicap as defined for No Bowler in Rule 7. A team with a no bowler spot will have to accept a new bowler that fits the team maximum.
- TARDY BOWLERS:** Tardy bowlers are allowed to begin bowling from the first frame with scores to count provided the anchorperson on the opposing team has not concluded his/her third frame.
- LEGAL LINEUP:** A legal lineup consists of 2 permanent rostered bowlers to complete the first frame. A team that does not have a legal lineup after present bowlers on each team complete the first frame will forfeit the game except in an emergency as decided by the board of directors.
- SUBSTITUTES:** Subs are allowed. A maximum of 16 Substitutions will be allowed per team. A fee of \$5 must be paid when the permanent bowlers returns. Money goes towards prize fund. **If not paid when the permanent bowler returns, it will be \$10 the following week.** Any Permanent replacements must stay on the team for at least 4 weeks. If replaced before then, a \$20 fine will be imposed. Permanent replacement bowler will be allowed up until the last 6 weeks of regular league play. Permanent rosters must be finalized before start of league on 5/30/26. No subs are allowed two weeks before last position, during position rounds, roll-offs, and Fil-Am Team Challenge/sweeper.
- EMERGENCIES:** In emergencies, the captain of the team unable to attend shall notify the opposing team captain, Secretary, and/or President at the earliest opportunity. The Board of Directors will decide what is and is not an emergency.

14. **POSITION STANDINGS:** Standings will be determined on a 4 point basis. In case of a tie for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place, one game roll-off will determine the champion.
15. **POSTPONEMENTS:** **If a legal line-up can be present, the match must proceed.** Requests for postponement must be approved by and officer any time prior to start of practice of league play at 9AM on Saturday morning. The team captain must schedule all pre/post bowls with Arlington Lanes. Make-ups must be completed with 3 consecutive games bowled and must be bowled within 15 Days, by the 3rd Sunday after the scheduled match or the Thursday before position, whichever comes first. It is a courtesy to notify the opposing team of a granted postponement. The team captain should notify the other team and see if they want to bowl with the postponing team. Pre/post bowls will be allowed at the center's convenience. The bowling center cannot guarantee the courtesies given at your regular league time (i.e. buffer lanes, being oiled through, music, and lighting conditions). **Pre-bowl fee is \$10.00 / make-up fee is \$20.00. After 3 pre-bowls/make-ups, fees will double. If the opposing teams arrange to pre-bowl or makeup against each other, fees will be waived.** If a legal lineup cannot be present due to participation in any ABT Event, or the USBC Open Championships, state or local Assoc, the fee is waived.
- **Position Rounds:** No make-ups allowed for all position rounds unless the teams are making up in direct opposition in which case, the makeup needs to be bowled by the following Thursday of the position round except for last position round where no makeups are allowed. No subs are allowed during any position rounds. **Pre-Bowl unopposed for position rounds is allowed when a team cannot field a legal lineup due to the following reasons:**
 - Some of its bowlers are participating in the USBC Championships, state or local association
 - There is sufficient cause
 - An emergency situation**Requests for pre-bowl unopposed for position rounds must be requested at least one week prior to the scheduled position round. An announcement prior to league play any week before the position round will be made to see if there any objections. If no objection, pre-bowl request will be granted. If there are objections, then a meeting will be held for a formal vote. If the team pre-bowling has a chance to tie for 1st, 2nd or 3rd position, an extra pre-bowled game should be bowled to be used as the roll-off game, if necessary. Position round pre-bowl fee, if granted, will be \$40.**
 - **Last position round and Fil-Am Team Challenge/sweeper:** To be eligible for final position and Fil-Am Team Challenge/sweeper, the permanent team member must have a minimum of 36 games.
16. **UNOPPOSED BOWLING:** Any team bowling against a known forfeit situation or a vacancy team must bowl within 40 pins of their current team average to win the point.
17. **AWARDS:** Bowlers must have bowled 2/3 of the scheduled games in order to qualify for an individual award. Only one individual award per person with scratch taking precedence over handicap, and series taking precedence over game. League will furnish individual awards at \$ 50.00 for individual series scratch and handicap, and individual high game scratch and handicap for men and women. Awards most improved for men and women will be \$25.00. League will furnish \$100.00 for First Place team in lieu of trophy. Champions Uniform will also be available for an additional \$10/bowler in place of trophies.
18. **HANDICAP FOR AWARDS:** Handicap for individual awards will be computed after the series in which he/she bowls their 21st game.
19. **RESIGNATIONS:** Any team or individual that drops from the league must give a 2-week notice in writing to the league secretary, with a copy to the team captain. The resigning bowler must pay two weeks league fees if a replacement is not found immediately. Any member dropping from the league without proper notice and sufficient cause in accordance with rule 114a of the current USBC Playing Rules will forfeit all prize money and awards unless arrangements have been made in writing with the team captain, with a copy to the league secretary. **Note to All secretaries: a letter must be given to the Sales Director before a bowler can drop and all bowlers must pay 2 weeks lineage before they can be dropped.**
20. **CHECKS:** If any check written by a league bowler is returned to us by the bank, that checks, along with a service charge* will be subtracted from the league's prize fund up to the amount of prize fund which that bowler has coming to them at that point. This will happen only after the bowler is given 7 days to redeem the check on his or her own. NO checks accepted after 5/30/26.
Make Checks Payable to: Arlington Lanes.
*Service Charge: 1st offence \$30.00, 2nd offence \$30.00. After 2nd check, no checks will be accepted from offending bowler.
NO cashing of personal checks allowed at front desk.
21. **HOUSE RULES:** All league bowlers will abide by the following rules
- a. **OUTSIDE FOOD OR BEVERAGES:** It is the established policy of Arlington Lanes that any and all types of outside food and/or beverages be restricted from being brought into the center without prior consent and approval of the General Manager.
 - b. **CHILDREN:** No children or non-bowlers are allowed in the bowler's area at any time during league play.
 - c. **EQUIPMENT:** Abuse to any equipment will result in dismissal of the individual from the league and possible banning from the center.
 - d. **DISPUTES:** Arlington Lanes will not become involved in any league dispute.
 - e. **LOST AND FOUND:** Arlington Lanes will not be responsible for equipment or clothing left in the center.
 - f. **SMOKING AND VAPING:** Not allowed anywhere in the center
22. **LEAGUE SPECIFIC RULES:**
- a. League uniforms will be a required purchased. These uniforms are partially sponsored by ABT, South Point and Brunswick. The Bowler's responsibility will be \$20 for all original members of a team due on the 6th week of bowling. (Cost subject to change pending uniform committee recommendations and board approval). The cost for replacement bowlers will be \$35 and is required. League Uniforms will be required to be worn every 1st Saturday of each month beginning in November and during Fil-Am Team Challenge. A fine of \$5 will be collected if you don't wear your uniform when required. Any single bowler exemptions to the uniform rule could be granted if approved by board of director's majority vote.
 - b. **All league bowlers, permanent and substitutes, must be a current ABT member. All Permanent members as of the start of league will be an ABT member at no cost to the bowler. All substitutes and permanent rostered replacements will be required to pay a special league annual ABT membership fee of \$10. If he/she is already an ABT member, the fee is waived. If you are ineligible to be an ABT member for any reason, you will not be allowed to bowl in the league.**
 - c. **Strike Frame** – If a bowler does not strike in the first frame of the 2nd game, then \$1 needs to be collected (via envelope for each team). Money goes towards the Prize Fund
 - d. **50/50:** 2 tickets for \$1.00 - 5 tickets for \$2.00 or 13 tickets for \$5.00 goes towards prize fund (optional)
 - e. **STRIKE IT RICH (Men):** \$3 optional money towards prize fund. 2 strikes for 50% & stop. If you go for 100% and miss pot will roll over.
 - f. **STRIKE IT RICH (Women):** \$3 optional money goes towards prize fund. 1st strike then 9 counts for 25% & Stop. If you go for 75% and don't strike, pot will roll over. 2 strikes for 50% & stop. If you go for 100% and miss, pot will roll over.
 - g. **Mystery Number, Poker, Brackets, 3/6/9, and punch out may be available weekly.** Proceeds will go to the Prize Fund
 - h. The league has the right to rerate upward any time a bowler is found not bowling to their potential with 2/3 vote of the board.
 - i. League officers are allowed to bowl on the same team
 - j. New bowler or any bowler not covered under rule #6A, B & C use 200 average for men and 165 for women to meet team max of 800.
 - k. Should first place clinch by the last position round, they shall bowl the last place team. If both first and second place teams clinch their respective positions, they bowl each other.
 - l. **Position Round Lane Assignments:** Lane assignments for Group Position (Week 40) and Position Round (Week 41) are predefined and posted on the league website.
 - m. We will schedule potlucks during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and End of Season. We will plan accordingly.
- SWEEPERS:**
- a. Team event and Singles are guaranteed
 - b. Round Robin Doubles (Optional): Each bowler may choose to pay \$60.00 for 3 games and series (\$15 per game/series). Prize money will be 3 separate games and series. Break down for doubles to be determined by prize fund committee.
 - c. \$8/bowler for Sweeper Scoring Services will be deducted from the overall budget whether you play or not.
 - d. League to follow 10 pin drop rule for Fil-Am Team Challenge/sweepers.
 - e. Hotel rooms will **NOT** be provided by the league. A group rate will be negotiated. More info to follow.
 - f. Special VIM Squad at the Fil-Am Team Challenge to be held at the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas on July 18, 2026 at 10:00AM. **THE TEAM EVENT ONLY for all teams for the Fil-Am Team Challenge will be paid for by the league.** Scores bowled during this squad will be used to pay out the Vegas in Motion Sweeper prize fund for Team, Singles, and Optional Round Robin Doubles.