TGIF

New Berlin Ale House

League Rules 2026 - 2027 Season

1. TGIF bowls on Friday evenings, with practice starting at 6:45pm and league starting at 7:00pm.
2. League for the 2026-2027 season starts on September 11th.
3. TGIF will bowl 31 weeks. Bowling starts 9/11/2027 and occurs every Friday to 4/23/2027. (No league bowling at NB on December 25th or January 1st).
4. The league will consist of a split season. First half ends 12/18/2026
5. Scoring will be based on a 7 point system; 2 points per game to the team with the higher score, 1 point to the team with the higher cumulative score over the three games.
6. Handicap is based on 90% of 200. Negative handicaps will be used.
7. League fees are $20 per week. Make checks payable to "TGIF New Berlin Bowl". House fee is $11.50.
8. Sanction fees are $25/bowler. Due by the 2nd week of bowling. The sanction fee is $10 if sanctioned in another association. Sanction fees are as follows: National $15, MA-USBC-$10
9. Any new Bowler must fill out a sanction card and pay dues the night they bowl. Failure to do so will result in that Bowler's scores not counting, and points being adjusted accordingly.
10. Secretary fees are $20/Team. Due by the 2nd week of bowling.
11. Individuals must bowl at least 1/2 the season to qualify for end of year individual prizes. Prebowl scores do not count for individual or team prizes.
12. If a Bowler is unable to pay dues on a given week, the dues must be caught up the following week, or the individual cannot bowl. Unpaid fees at the end of the season will be deducted for prize money.
13. Pacers not allowed.
14. Floating subs are allowed. Floating subs may not be on a team roster. Floating subs cannot bowl in position rounds.
15. Rosters are limited to 10 sanctioned bowlers?

16. Teams must bowl against the "bye" team and absent teams absentee scores or points are forfeited.

17. Absentee scores are the missing person's average less 10 pins.

18. Vacancy score is 140.

19. If a Bowler does not bowl by the beginning of the 5th frame, their absentee score must be used.

20. Pre-bowling is allowed, except for position rounds.

21. Bowlers must have bowled 12 games to qualify to bowl position rounds, per half, not including position round.

22. TGIF will use a one-lane courtesy.

23. Any Bowler that did not bowl in a league last year will use their highest USBC book average from the prior year. If an average for the last 3 years does not exist, an average will be established starting the first week they bowl.

24. A printout from the house verifies pre-bowl scores. It is the responsibility of the house to correct pre-bowl scores, not the Bowler.

25. Post bowling must be approved by an officer.

26. Prize money will be given to all teams, with additional prizes for high series & high game winners.

27. End of season averages, including roll-off games, are reported to the USBC.

28. USBC rules apply for anything not covered in these league rules.