# **MBBL**

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### Introduction

MBBL is a non-profit corporation managed by a Board of Directors that offers community-wide bocce ball tournament play at its facilities behind the Jesus Christ Fellowship church at 21443 Pine Street in Middletown. Play is conducted among teams over the course of two six-week Seasons in the Spring and Fall. Four-player teams face each other for three-Game Matches every Wednesday evening and compete in a friendly atmosphere for awards and the admiration of their fellow-competitors. Membership is open to anyone 16 or older, and team annual memberships are available on a discount basis depending on team size. All bocce equipment is provided by MBBL, and free parking adjacent to our courts is graciously provided by the Jesus Christ Fellowship church. Member complaints, comments, and suggestions are routed through their team captains to the MBBL Board.

#### **Memberships**

MBBL offers annual team memberships for up to a maximum of eight players per team. We encourage prospective members to form teams of 6-8 players because Games are played by four members from each of two teams, and since there may be schedule conflicts where one or more team members will not be available on a game night, it's a good idea to have 6-8 members on each team to cover absences.

Should an unaffiliated individual wish to be available for play as a substitute on any team, MBBL will keep an active list of unaffiliated players that can serve as substitute players should the need arise. There is no membership fee charged to an unaffiliated individual unless the individual becomes a member of a team. Unaffiliated individuals must sign the MBBL Release of Liability form when added to our substitute list. No individual may act as a substitute more than two times per Season.

Team annual memberships are offered as follows: \$160 for a team of four players, \$210 for a team of six players, and \$240 for a team of eight players. Team members may be added at any time during the year for a pro-rata portion of the team's average membership cost.

### Teams

Teams are comprised of 4-8 players with four players from a team competing in each Game. A team name and a team captain ("Capo") are chosen by the team's members. Capos of all teams must attend a kick-off meeting held each year before the start of each Season. In order to qualify for a Season award, teams must be formed before the start of that Season. To qualify for the Annual Championship, teams must be formed before the start of the Spring Season and compete in both the Spring and Fall Seasons.

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