

Cherry Creek Bowling League 2024-2025 By-Laws

1. The Cherry Creek Bowling League for women shall consist of three-person teams and be a non-sanctioned league. Teams may consist of more than three people if team members prefer to share a position. Where not specifically stated current USBC rules will apply to the league. There will be 26 weeks of bowling on Fridays beginning October 4th at 9:30am with practice commencing at 9:20am. There will be two position rounds on weeks 13 and 26(January 17th and April 18th). The end of the year banquet will be on April 25th. Banquet attendance is optional. There will be no league bowling on the following dates: November 29th, December 20th, and December 27th.
2. Management of the league shall be governed by the Board of Directors, which consists of the league officials and team captains.

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3. Each league member shall pay the weekly fee for the last two weeks of the current season by the fifth week of bowling (November 1st). If league members are not current with league fees points may be forfeited until fees are current. Absent bowlers must bring their fees current upon returning the following week. If a member is absent for more than two weeks, fees must be sent to the league during the absence or paid in advance of a planned absence.

The weekly fee for each member of the league shall be \$15.00, distributed as follows:

\$12.00	Lineage fees
\$2.50	Weekly Prize Fund credit
\$0.50	Weekly secretary fee

4. End of Season awards are as follows:

Team Awards

First half of season: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams
Second half of season: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams
Overall 1st place team
High Series Scratch team
High Game Scratch team
High Series Handicap team
High game Handicap team

Individual Awards

High Average

High Series Scratch: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place

High Game Scratch: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place

High Series Handicap: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place

High Game Handicap: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place

Most Improved Average

5. The four-point system shall be used to calculate wins and losses. One point will be awarded for each game and one point for total pins. In the event of a tie game or series each team shall be awarded ½ a point. If there are an uneven number of teams in the league, the team bowling against the vacancy shall bowl under a forfeit situation. Under the forfeit situation, a team must bowl at least their team average less 10 pins per player to win the point. Total pins bowled must exceed the value of the team average less 30 pins.
6. Cherry Creek Bowling League shall be a handicap league. Handicap shall be calculated as 90% of the difference between 200 and the member's current average. Handicapping shall begin the first week of bowling and be determined after a bowler's first three games (league members and substitutes included). ***[Note: bowlers who are establishing an average must bowl three games on the same day; please do not plan to bowl less than three games on the same day unless you already have an established average.]***
7. Vacancy score for the league shall be 125 with a handicap of 67.
8. At least one bowler, one of whom must be a regular team member, shall be present and bowling at all times or the team shall forfeit the game(s) ***(Please see forfeiture rule in number 5 above)***. It is each team's responsibility to notify a league officer or Arapahoe Lanes of an absence. If no notification is made before the start of bowling your team will forfeit and cannot make up these games. In the event of a member's absence the member's average will be used as a blind score. The member is still responsible to pay for any missed weeks. Members should notify their team captain of any impending absence.
9. Substitutes are allowed with the exception of position rounds. If you would like a substitute to be a permanent member of your team you must do so three weeks prior to the scheduled position round.
10. Teams may post or pre-bowl their games and bowl unopposed on another day as authorized by the league officers. The exception to this rule is during position round. You CANNOT pre or post-bowl for either position round UNLESS the dates are changed due to bowling being cancelled during the season. Requests must be made to both a league officer and Arapahoe Lanes before the regularly scheduled games. Post or pre-bowled games must be bowled within two weeks before the absence or two weeks after the absence. Teams bowling unopposed are not required to complete a frame on one lane before starting the next frame on the adjoining lane.

To schedule a makeup you must contact Arapahoe Lanes in person or by phone (303) 790-2695.

11. Tardy bowlers forfeit their right to bowl any game when they are not ready to bowl before the completion of the second frame. Neither team is obligated to delay the start of bowling when all team members are not present, but may do so if both teams agree. If a team does not have one bowler bowling by completion of the second frame, that team shall forfeit each game they cannot provide a legal lineup.
12. When a bowler is unable to complete a game because of disability, injury, or emergency any frames remaining will be replaced with a blind score.
13. A league bowler shall be permitted to bowl out only in an emergency and only after the completion of the eighth frame of the third game. The bowler should take a blind score for the game if there is any doubt about reaching the eighth frame in time. If both teams are in agreement, the bowler may be permitted to bowl out earlier, however, this is not recommended.
14. Team captains shall collect and record their team's monies collected for each week's bowling in the envelope provided by the league secretary. Team captains shall deliver the payment envelope to the league secretary before completion of the first game.
15. In case of financial shortage due to non-payment by a team member monies shall be deducted from that team's prize money at the discretion of the secretary/treasurer.
16. A member resigning from a team shall give two weeks notice to the team captain and the league president. **A member who withdraws from the league forfeits all monies paid to the league at that point.** The resigning member must pay two weeks of lineage if they have not already prepaid the final two weeks. If the resigning member's position is filled with no lapse in attendance that member's last two weeks of fees shall be refunded or payment of two weeks will not be required. The new member filling the open position shall prepay the fees for the last two weeks of the current season. Per Arapahoe Bowling Alley bowlers who leave the league, and are not replaced, may not return to the league as a substitute. Bowlers may return to the current league season, if their position is still available, after paying a prorated amount per management discretion.
17. To be eligible for individual end of the season awards a member must bowl a minimum of two-thirds (52 games) of the regular season. Individual awards are based on the full season. At the end of the season no individual will be eligible for both high series and high game, even if rolled on separate days. No individual may place more than once for any individual award. Scratch scores shall take precedence over handicap scores. High Average shall take precedence over all individual awards. Averages will set after individuals have bowled 12 games. Most Improved will be determined by the difference between set average and average at the end of the season.
18. Team awards shall be based on a split season consisting of two 13 week sessions with a position round in weeks 13 and 26. Team prizes will be awarded for each half

season. Individual awards and final team payouts shall be based on the combined 26 weeks. In case of a tie for first place of either session, the total pins will decide the final placement.

19. It shall be the secretary's job to coordinate the roster at the beginning of the bowling season. An organizational meeting shall be held during the end of year banquet to discuss the league by-laws and USBC rules and a vote will be held to change by-laws if necessary. The president shall audit the secretary's treasury records and assist in collecting money from league members as necessary. The president shall preside over the presentation of awards at the year-end banquet.
20. It shall be the responsibility of the secretary to issue a set of by-laws, adopted at the CCBL organizational meeting. The secretary shall be responsible for all record keeping and treasury duties for the league. This includes handling weekly league fees and prize money. The secretary shall determine the division of prize money at the year-end banquet according to the current prize payment structure. The secretary shall distribute the by-laws, team captain instructions, and bowling etiquette standards to all team members at the beginning of the season.
21. In the event of serious inclement weather if Cherry Creek School District and Douglas County School District are in session CCBL shall bowl. If either district is on a delayed schedule CCBL shall begin bowling at 10:00am. If either district cancels on a regularly scheduled bowling day bowling will be canceled. One week will be added to the end of the current season if there are any cancellations. If any other bowling dates are canceled CCBL shall shorten the season by that number of weeks.
22. No score shall be changed after bowling has begun without the consent of the opposing team. A league officer may be consulted to determine legal changes if necessary.
23. CCBL shall use a USBC approved foul detecting device if available. If the foul device becomes unreliable or inoperative the league president shall be notified and opposing team captains shall call fouls or designate a foul judge. A foul shall be declared and recorded if the foul detecting device or foul judge fails to call a foul that is apparent to BOTH captains or one or more members from each opposing team. If any team member determines that a foul device has become defective opposing team captains shall be notified on those lanes and foul judges shall be appointed for the rest of league play on that day.
24. Substitutes are not allowed to participate in position rounds. Substitutes without established averages are not allowed to bowl after week 24. New team members must be added 3 weeks prior to a position round to be eligible for said position round. Teams are allowed to have 4 members that rotate on a weekly basis.
25. **This needs to be discussed/voted on.** The first place overall team from the preceding season shall be responsible for arranging the banquet of the current season. This includes reserving space at a restaurant of their choice, determining the price each league member must pay, informing the league of the arrangements, and collecting the payment from each league member. The money shall then be given to the league secretary for deposit and payment to the chosen restaurant.

26. The president shall solicit candidates for league offices for the upcoming season and organize voting for those offices at the banquet.
27. If a bowler bowls on the wrong lane they cannot keep that score. They may only keep scores from the lane they are assigned to bowl on for that frame.
28. All league members shall observe etiquette information. Team captains shall inform team members of the rules and see that they are followed. Children are not allowed in the settee area at anytime.

Etiquette Information

Be ready to bowl when pins are set.

Do not bowl until the pin setting machine has completed its cycle and the sweep bar is raised, otherwise you may damage the ball or the machine.

Do not take too long to aim or get set up when you are on the approach

Please observe a one lane courtesy rule. Do not retrieve your ball or stand on the approach when the bowler next to you is bowling.

Do not wait for your ball on the approach. This keeps other lanes from being able to bowl.

Excessive "lofting" hurts your game and damages the lane

Refrain from using abusive language or obscene gestures

Be a gracious winner as well as loser