ARAPAHOE SENIORS MIXED LEAGUE BY-LAWS 2025-2026

The Wednesday senior mixed league shall bowl on Wednesday mornings with practice beginning at 10:30a.m. and bowling beginning immediately after, commencing on September 03, 2025 and will bowl for 30 weeks. The last day will be on April 8, 2026 and will be a Funday.

RULE 1 MANAGEMENT OF THE LEAGUE

The management of the league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, consisting of the League Officers and team captains. There shall be a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary/Treasurer.

RULE 2 SANCTION

The league will be sanctioned with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) through the Greater Denver USBC Association (GDUSBC). The sanction fee is \$30.00 for men and women. Players shall pay on the first day of bowling in the league, fill out a sanction card in entirety and return to the secretary before the end of the first three games of bowling. If sanction cards and dues are not submitted and paid appropriately, USBC rule 110.a is in effect and a forfeit occurs. Cash or check only will be accepted per USBC. Exceptions to USBC rules, as allowed, are listed in the league by-laws.

RULE 3 LEAGUE FEES

The bowling fees will be \$16.00 per person for each Wednesday morning. \$12.50 will be paid for lineage (including tax and house fees) and \$3.50 per person per week will go for prize money. A salary of \$0.15 per person per game shall be paid to the Secretary/Treasurer and given at the end of the league season. In the event a bowler misses a week, the \$16.00 per week fee shall still be collected and payable upon the bowlers next bowling week. The Secretary shall collect the fees before completion of the fifth frame of the first game, and the amount collected will be shown on the payment envelope. Pre-Payment for the entire season or any other period of time is allowed with the understanding that no funds will be refunded for any absence or any other reason.

RULE 4 PAYMENT OF THE LAST TWO WEEKS

Each individual shall pay the Secretary/Treasurer by the third morning of bowling, the normal \$16.00 fee for that day, and \$32.00 for the last two weeks of bowling.

RULE 5 LINE-UP

A legal line-up for the purposes of this Senior League is one team member for a 4 person team. When a team does not have enough players on its roster for a full line-up, a vacancy score of 120 for men and women shall be used. Such scores shall be the basis for the handicap.

RULE 6 PRIZES

There will be a prize committee consisting of the President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer who will determine what prizes will be established. They will announce them to the league by the 4th week. To qualify for prizes, a bowler must have bowled 2/3 of the scheduled games. Team and individual handicap scores will be counted towards league prizes beginning with scores bowled after the completion of 6 team games.

RULE 7 AVERAGES

Returning bowlers shall use the league average that was established the previous year. This entering average will be used for the first 6 games. Once the bowler has reached 6 games, their new game average will be the basis for the cumulative average going forward. New bowler averages will be established their first time bowling, regardless of number of games bowled.

RULE 8 HANDICAP

The handicap allowance shall be 95% and shall be figured on the difference between the individual average and 230 scratch for both men and women. The team handicap for each scheduled match shall be the total of the individual handicap for the players in the line-up.

RULE 9 ABSENT BOWLERS

Vacancy scores shall be 120. If a member is absent, his or her average shall be used.

RULE 10 TARDY BOWLERS

A tardy bowler shall be permitted to begin from the first frame with the score to count provided the match has not progressed beyond the third frame.

RULE 11 WEEKLY ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to bowl, each bowler must pay \$16 per week before the start of the 5th frame of the 1st game.

RULE 12 REPLACEMENT OF TEAM MEMBERS

If a couple or individual resigns from the league after the starting date, the resigning member/s averages will be used for two weeks after which bowler will be removed from team and replaced with a new bowler or vacant until position can be filled. The prepaid last two weeks of the season will NOT be refunded. The Bowler Resignation/Medical Leave of Absence form is attached to the last page of these By-Laws.

RULE 13 POSTPONEMENTS

One (1) regular member must be present at the start of any game. Opposing teams shall bowl each other at the same time except if a team is not able to have at least one (1) regular member present; the opposing team may bowl unopposed at that time. Unopposed teams bowling on a regular scheduled day will qualify for USBC awards and

their scores shall count in deciding league games won and lost. Please note: if a team has not pre-bowled or will not post-bowl and one team member is not present that team will forfeit the games for that day and the unopposed team must bowl equal to or greater than their teams total average minus forty pins.

RULE 14 PRE-BOWLING & POST-BOWLING

Pre-Bowling will be allowed. All team members must Pre-Bowl at the same time. The team should make a reservation at the bowling center, check in with the front desk, and explain that the team is Pre-Bowling for the Arapahoe Seniors League. Copies of each game sheet are to be turned in with the recap sheet to the bowling center or officer, if in attendance. Payment will be due when the bowlers return for a regular League day of bowling. The results will appear on the screen as the game is bowled on the next regularly scheduled day of the League. Please let your Sec/Treas know that you are Pre-Bowling. Also, Pre-Bowling is not allowed for position weeks.

Post-Bowling will be allowed. Teams must notify the Board of Directors of their intent to Post-Bowl before the beginning of play on the scheduled League day. All team members must participate in Post-Bowling. The games must be made up prior to the next scheduled League play or the games will be forfeited. The team should make a reservation at the bowling center, check in with the front desk, and explain that the team is Post-Bowling for the Arapahoe Seniors League. Please let your Sec/Treas know that you are Post-Bowling. Also, Post-Bowling is not allowed for position weeks.

Each team that pre-bowls or post-bowls is only allowed to do so for a combined total of four times.

RULE 15 TEAM STANDINGS

Standings shall be determined on a point basis with one point for each game won and one for total pins for a total of four (4) points.

RULE 16 POSITION ROUNDS

On week 9, 18 and 29 of the bowling season, there will be position rounds. This means on these weeks the first and second place teams will bowl each other, the third and fourth place teams will bowl each other, etc. The last day of bowling will be a "fun day" decided upon by the team captains. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place individual men and women

RULE 17 BOWLING VACANT TEAM

The team bowling the Vacant Team will add their averages together and subtract 40 pins. The team will have to bowl equal to or greater than that number in order to win the game. If the team bowls less than the team average minus 40 pins, the team will not earn a point for that game.

RULE 18 SUBSTITUTES

Substitutes and pacers will not be allowed

RULE 19 BANQUET

There will be year-end banquet to be determined prior to the end of the league season and voted on by the league members. Each person at the banquet will pay for their own meal. At this time, the prize money and awards will be distributed and new officers will be elected. Team Captains will be responsible for handing out all prize money and awards to the members on their team.

LEAGUE OFFICERS for the 2025-2026 season are as follows:

President: Tammy Krcelic 706-566-8736 Vice-President: Sue Matteson 517-745-0180 Secretary/Treasurer: Beth Glezen 303-880-5130