

# MLB Doubles - By-Laws - Summer 2026

**League Officers:** President: Alex Carrizales  
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**Schedule:** The league begins Thursday May 7, 2026, and ends Thursday August 27, 2026. We will bowl 16 weeks, taking 1 week off May 14, 2026. Practice will start at 5:15 pm and league play will begin at 5:25 pm. We will bowl 3 games each week. The league will be divided into 2 divisions, AL & NL. The final week, week 16, will be a position round, AL vs NL based on positioning after week 15 for extra prize fund money.

**AL or NL:** We put one member from each team into a Random Team Generator to select team numbers. Teams 1 – 20 will be NL and teams 21 – 40 will be AL. We will randomly select team numbers to draw for the MLB team names.

**Team Roster:** 2 bowlers per team. There is no gender requirement in this league.

**Legal Lineup:** A legal line up shall consist of 1 bowler and must be present by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> frame of any game. A vacancy bowler does not count towards a legal line up. Late bowlers may enter a game provided 3 frames have not been completed.

**Bowling Fees:** The weekly fee for the team is \$40.00 or \$20.00 per person. It is a guaranteed league for all 16 weeks, and the fee breakdown is as follows:

Weekly Bowling Fee	
Lineage:	\$16.50
Banking/Secretary	\$0.75
Prize Fund	\$2.75

- You can pay via cash, check (make it out to ABC), debit/credit card at the Front Counter or credit card online by scanning the QR Code in your pay envelope.
- Credit Card at the Front Counter and any card online have a processing fee.
- The last two weeks of bowling must be paid by the 5<sup>th</sup> week of bowling. Bowlers may not be more than 2 weeks in arrears. A bowler must give two weeks' paid notice if they must quit the league.

**Sanction:** This league is sanctioned by USBC. If you are already sanctioned for this league season, all you must do is fill out a sanction card.  
If you are not sanctioned by USBC for this season, you have 2 payment options.  
1) \$10 sanction: This will get you an average with USBC but no awards (recommended)  
2) \$30 sanction: This will give you an average and awards for your bowling.

- ALL sanctions end in August, so this sanction is only good for the summer. Everyone will have to renew their USBC membership in September.

**Averages:** Averages will be established the first night of bowling, regardless of the number of games bowled.

**Handicap:** Handicap shall be 90% of the difference between individual's average and 220. Handicap will be computed after the first night of bowling and applied to the games bowled that night.

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**Substitutes:** Substitutes will be allowed; substitutes will be allowed on position round, but no new substitutes will be allowed. It is up to the team if the sub pays, or the actual member of the team pays for that night's bowling fees.

**Vacancy Score:** The vacancy score will be 120 per game, with a 90 handicap. In the event of a vacant team, the team bowling must bowl their average minus 20 pins as a team, to receive a win for that game. The team with the vacancy will be responsible for paying for the vacant spot until the vacancy spot is filled.

**Forfeit:** In the event of a forfeit, the opposing team must bowl within 20 pins of the team's average to win points.

**Position Rounds:** 1 position round will be bowled on August 27, 2026 and it will be NL vs AL for extra money.

**Standing Points:** The following points will be awarded each week, for a total of 5 points:

1 Points for each handicap game won. 2 Point for team handicap series won.

**Recaps:** This league does not use recaps. Therefore, it is your team responsibility to notify the counter of new league members, substitutes, name corrections, team name changes, line-up change and any additional information that would normally be communicated via the recap.

**Standing Sheet:** Each week the league standing sheet will be posted to ArapahoeBowl.com and LeagueSecretary.com. There will be 1 league standing sheet at the Front Counter each week. Otherwise, you can go to either website to look at the league standing sheet. You can sign up for the email list at [arapahoeBowl.com/email](mailto:arapahoeBowl.com/email) to get notified when the league standing sheet is updated each week.

**Pre-Bowls/Make-Up:** Pre-bowls and make-ups are permitted and must be scheduled in advance with the bowling center. You may pre-bowl for any week. All make-ups must be completed within 2 weeks of their regularly scheduled date. All make-ups must be completed prior to the position rounds. The position round may only be pre-bowled.

All Pre-Bowls and Make-Ups must be bowled as a team. If a team bowls without a member, that member cannot bowl that league night and cannot do an individual pre-bowl or make up. The team will use that bowlers average. That bowler is still required to pay the bowling fees.

**Tiebreakers:** In the event of a tie for team standings, total pins with handicap will determine positioning.

**Prize Fund:** This league only pays Team Standings at the completion of the season. There is no payment for Team Game or Series Awards, High Average, Most Improved Average or Individual Game or Series Awards.