

**2014-2015**  
**RBA MONDAY NIGHT**  
**ADULT/YOUTH MIXED PBA EXPERIENCE LEAGUE**  
**RULES AND BY-LAWS**

**1. PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this league is to cultivate an enjoyment of the sport of bowling and to encourage the development of skills and abilities relating to the sport. Although competition exists during the league play, the most important concept is to HAVE FUN!!!!

**2. INTRODUCTION**

2.1 This league will be sanctioned by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) as a **Sport League** and will fall under the local authority of the RheinPfalz Bowling Association (RBA). The league will be held at the Vogelweh Bowling Center and at the Ramstein Bowling Center.

2.2 The league will start Practice Bowling on Mondays at **1845**. The league bowling will begin on 8 September 2014 with its first session and will end on 18 May 2015 with an end of season banquet and fun bowling. Bowlers should arrive around **1800** to be ready to start bowling **4 games** at **1845**.

2.3 The league will bowl a total of 29 weeks. These are often not consecutive dates due to holidays. Please see RBA Adult/Youth Mixed PBA Experience League Calendar of Events attached for further clarification. We will lose 4 or 5 weeks of bowling from mid November to beginning January 2015, when we will start bowling at the Ramstein Bowling Center.

2.4 This league will be bowling on the 11 different PBA Oil Patterns and we will also have some of the 12 different World Ten-Pin Bowling Association (WTBA) oil patterns as well. There will be a different pattern every week. See the attached calendar schedule for the different patterns used each week.

**3. ELIGIBILITY**

3.1 The Adult membership in the league is open to both men and women, regardless of bowling skills or abilities.

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3.2 The Youth membership is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 19 as of 1 August 2014. These are bowlers whose birth date is 1 August 1994 thru 31 July 2006. Per USBC Official Rules, the age requirement is waived for individuals authorized as mentally challenged.

#### **4. TEAMS**

4.1 This is an Adult/Youth Mixed League, consisting of 2 to 3 bowlers per lane.

4.2 This is not doubles teams as you will be **bowling for yourself** as head to head. There can be any combinations of participants on a lane. You could have an adult and a youth, or only adults, or even only youths, regardless of gender.

4.3 Participants will change partners every week as well as their bowling opponents.

#### **5. FEES**

5.1 Membership/sanction fees are annual in nature and are valid from 1 August to 31 July of the current season. The USBC Adult SPORT Membership fee required to participate in this league is a total of \$40.00. If you already belong to an RBA Adult League for the current season and paid the sanction fee of \$25, you will only pay the \$15 upgrade to Sport.

5.2 The USBC Youth Sport Membership fee required to participate in this league is a total of \$50.00 for U15/U20 and \$30 if you are U12. If you already belong to an RBA Youth League and have paid your \$20.00 sanction fee, then you need only pay the \$10 upgrade to Junior Gold if you are U12 and \$30 upgrade to Junior Gold if you are U15/U20.

5.3 Each bowler will pay \$ **12.00** at each league session, of which \$10 goes to the bowling center for lineage for the **4 games**. The \$1 (\$0.25 a game) goes towards the RBA Pepsi Assistance Fund which provides any RBA winner of the USBC Annual EuroZone Pepsi Youth Championship financial assistance to attend the USBC North Pointe Junior Gold Championships held in the USA over the summer. The other \$1 will go towards the end of season banquet on 18 May 2015. **Please note that the \$12 fee is dropped for absent bowlers since pre/post bowling of missed games will not be possible.**

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5.4 Payments can only be made in the form of cash or check unless a check is returned for insufficient funds. In this instance, the bowler shall pay all service charges, amount of the check, and any associated fees. Thereafter the bowler will make payments in cash only.

5.5 Payments will be collected by the League Supervisor/Secretary before the end of the first game of play from each person.

5.6 Adult bowlers renting center shoes are responsible for the shoe rental fee payable to the center front desk each time shoes are rented. Youth participants can receive free rental shoes.

## **6. AVERAGE AND HANDICAP**

6.1 The average will be established after the first week of bowling. Please note that your average will change as you continue to bowl. Remember that this is a **SCRATCH LEAGUE**

6.2 Partial games shall not be used in determining a participant's average. A participant who arrives late may enter the game and will receive one-tenth of the absentee score (participant's average minus ten pins, divided by ten) for each frame not bowled.

## **7. STANDINGS AND AWARDS**

7.1 Awards will be available from RBA. These can be earned after 12 games bowled. Remember, that some awards are only given out once per bowling season.

7.2 Standing sheets for the league can be found normally posted in the bowling center by the Wednesday following league bowling. They can also be found on the web by going to <http://www.leaguesecretary.com> and entering **64700** as the league identification number.

7.3 Please remember that this **League** is for the fun and experience of bowling on different sport patterns, not for a cash prize fund.

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**8. LEAGUE MANAGEMENT**

8.1 The league shall be under the management of the league supervisor/secretary working in conjunction with the bowling center management.

8.2 The league board will consist of a League President and League Secretary/Supervisor. These are all volunteers from the parents with or without children bowling on the league.

8.3 The **2014-2015 USBC Rule Book** will be followed for this league. If a conflict arises between the league rules and the USBC Rule Book, the USBC Rule Book will take precedence.

**9. SPECIAL SITUATIONS**

9.1 In the event of inclement weather or real world circumstances, the league supervisor will notify participants via phone or email regarding cancellation of league play. It will also be announced on AFN and the Bowling Center Marque, if at all possible. The canceled league play will not be made up.

**10. LEAGUE OFFICIALS**

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