

Paul Bunyan Invitational
Bowling Tournament By-laws
Adopted 12/2018

Rule 1: Organization

Paul Bunyan Invitational (PBI) Bowling Tournament shall be sanctioned with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) through local association. The tournament is a member of the International Gay Bowling Organization (IGBO). PBI is a mixed, handicap tournament.

Rule 2: Schedule

The PBI bowling tournament will be held over a weekend in October around Indigenous Peoples' Day holiday. The tournament will host a registration party and 9-pin No Tap tournament on Friday night of the weekend. The Singles, Doubles, and Team events will be held on the Saturday and Sunday of tournament weekend. Each of these events will consist of three games. A team will consist of four people.

Check-in for the tournament begins thirty (30) minutes prior to each event. All team members must be present at the time of bowling. If a team member is not present, their score will be zeroed out.

Partial team entries will be accepted and the Tournament Director will make every effort to fill the vacancies.

Rule 3: Management

PBI is operated by a volunteer Board of Directors, or the Board, which will consist of Tournament Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Directors at Large. A simple majority shall constitute a quorum at any Board meeting. A list of Board member duties is available upon request.

Rule 4: Fees

All monetary amounts are in US Dollars. PBI will be collecting registration fees in the amount of \$125 per bowler. Please see registration page on website for budget breakdown of registration fee. We are also offering a "Friend of the PBI" registration option, at the cost of banquet, which is for friends and family of registered bowlers who themselves are not participating in the tournament.

We ask that all bowlers USBC sanctioned.

If a bowler is not a member of an IGBO sponsored league, payment of a \$5 participation fee will be collected.

Rule 5: Average and Handicap

Each bowler participating in the PBI tournament must have an established 10-pin average acceptable to USBC. The following rules shall be used to determine entering tournament average:

- a) 2020-2021 USBC certified composite book average (minimum of 21 games)
- b) 2019-2020 USBC certified composite book average (minimum of 21 games)
- c) IGBO Tournament Average
- d) If none of the above is available, then the entering average shall be 220.

Tournament Director and Secretary will use USBC website (www.bowl.com) to verify book averages. We reserve the right to adjust the entering average of any bowler and will be completed prior to the start of the tournament.

Handicap for PBI tournament will be calculated as 90% of 220.

Team average may not exceed 900.

Rule 6: Awards

PBI has established a payout ratio of 1:8, based on number of entries, for the Singles, Doubles, and Team events.

All side games/bets will be funded by their own registration fees and payouts will be determined based on entries.

We will award a trophy to each of the All Events and All Scratch winners. Winning scores will be based on total pins plus handicap for each event. Ties in score will be awarded divided prizes.

Rule 7: Divisions

We will use divisions based on entering average for lane assignments for each event. There will be optional scratch events to buy-in to at registration.

Division A: 200 and higher

Division B: 170-199

Division C: 140-169

Division D: 139 and below

Rule 8: Miscellaneous

All decisions made by Tournament Director are final unless an appeal is made through the appropriate channel.

All other USBC rules will apply.

Lane oiling will take place before Singles and Team events.