

WHIRLPOOL LEAGUE RULES 2007-2008

1. The league shall be made up of 11 teams consisting of 5 bowlers.
2. League play shall be 30 weeks and shall be divided into two halves of 15 weeks each. The last night of each half shall be a position round.
3. Officers shall consist of President, Vice-president, and the Secretary-Treasurer. The league shall pay for the bowling of the Secretary-Treasurer.
4. All members must be an employee, retired employee, or on official layoff status of Whirlpool to start bowling in this league. Exception - contract employee or vendor employee on full time contract with Whirlpool are also eligible. Any team member may finish the season in the case of being laid off or resigning from the company prior to the end of the season.
5. League play shall begin promptly at 4:30pm each Monday. Shadow balls will be given from 4:25pm to 4:30pm.
6. Any bowler not at the lanes and ready to bowl by 5:00pm shall cause his team to take a blind score for the first game. Bowlers must be ready to bowl when the second and third games start to be eligible for those games. Late bowlers (those starting their first game up to 5pm) may catch up in any manner acceptable to the team captains involved.
7. When a player is unable to complete a game because of injury or emergency see the appropriate USBC rules for figuring the score for the remainder of the game.
8. All team members must give their team captain two weeks notice before quitting the league and are responsible for two week's fees. If a whole team finds themselves forced to quit due to job relocation, layoff or other emergency they should also try to give the league's board of directors two weeks notice.
9. If a team drops out and a replacement cannot be found within two weeks, the league's board of directors (officers and captains) will meet to resolve the situation.
10. This shall be an USBC sanctioned league. Whirlpool Corporation will pay the sanction fee for no more than seven bowlers per team. Bowlers joining the league after the first 6 weeks are responsible for their own sanction fee or must show proof they are sanctioned in another league.
11. A team is allowed to carry 7 regular bowlers but only 5 may bowl. The extra bowlers may not bowl with any other team as a substitute.
12. No team may compete in any game with more than two blinds. Three regular bowlers must be present or prebowl to compete. Team captain can add bowler(s) but may have to remove names as not to exceed 7 members. A team can not add a seventh bowler after the 25<sup>th</sup> week of bowling.
13. Bowlers may only have one ball on the rack when bowling.

14. This league will bowl on 90% handicap basis. It will be 90% of the difference between the average and 210. Individual handicaps will be on the weekly standing sheets. We will use individual handicaps to determine total team handicap. When figuring handicaps, no fractions will be carried over as per USBC rules.
15. Point scoring will be used to establish position in weekly standings. Two points for each game won (one point in case of a tie) and one point for series (0.5 points for tie), for a total seven points per week.
16. Handicap for first night will be calculated based on this league's average from last season. If bowler did not compete in this league last season use highest book average from last year. Average for bowler who did not bowl last season will be figured after 3 games. For missing bowlers on the first night or until a team's rosters totals 5 men- 145 will be used for vacancy score and average to figure handicap. In the specified cases where a team is rotating 6 or 7 bowlers, the missing bowler's average used will be the one with the most games bowled of the bowlers not present. If the bowlers not present are tied with the number of games, the bowler with the lowest average will be used for the blind. The score used will be 10 pins less than the average.
17. Last years standings will determine lane assignments the first night.
18. Bowlers can prebowl any time. Opposing team captain or league officer should be notified. Scores shall be turned into the bowling center with the money.
19. No substitutes will be allowed to bowl the last 3 weeks of each half or during playoff unless he has bowled 15 games.
20. If the first half ends in a tie, the teams will use their scores of the first week of the second half to determine the first half champion. If the second half ends in a tie, the teams must bowl to the break the tie prior to the following week of bowling. Teams may bowl unopposed. This is to determine which teams bowl for the league championship. Bowlers are eligible for USBC awards.
21. Teams bowling the preceding year will be preference for membership for the following year.
22. Team captains are responsible for the following:
  - A. Seeing that each member of the team is sanctioned.
  - B. Notifying the league secretary-treasurer when adding or removing a bowler from the team roster.
  - C. Collecting \$ 11.00 from each team member by the end of the first game, This includes payment for substitutes and blinds.
  - D. Keeping an accurate and up to date individual bowlers payment record (white envelope) for each team member and the team.
  - E. Signing and returning the completed score sheets to the league secretary-treasurer at the conclusion of bowling each night.
  - F. If the team captain cannot be present to bowl he shall appoint another teammate to handle the responsibilities of team captain.

23. The prize money of the Monday Whirlpool League will be distributed according to the prize list at the end of season. When more than two teams are involved in a playoff, total points (two points for game and one point for series) will determine the winner.
24. This league will not pay for any roll-off between teams. Teams are responsible for the bowling fees unless Franklin Lanes does not charge for the championship roll-off.
25. Should any situation or emergency (layoffs, shift transfers, power failure, etc.) arise which are not covered by the previous rules the league's board of directors (officers and captains) will meet to resolve the situation. Strictly bowling questions will be covered by USBC rules.
26. Postponements will be granted for weather if the city asks the public to stay off the roads or if Whirlpool closes the plant due to weather.
27. All USBC rules apply.
28. In case of a bye or forfeit situation, the team must bowl within 50 pins of team average to win games and within 150 pins to win series. Ties are won by the team.
29. Election of the officers for the next year's bowling season will be held each year at the end of current bowling season.
30. All teams must be paid in full by March 31, 2008.