FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

BYLAWS

2018/2019 SEASON

The name of this league will be Friday Night Mixed League.

The league will consist of 6 teams with not less than 4 nor more than 6 members per team; any mix male/female as long as there is 1 member of each gender on the team. All bowlers must be sanctioned with the USBC.

SCHEDULE:
The league will bowl for 32 weeks starting on September 7, 2018 and ending on April 25, 2019. The league will bowl a split season with 2 16-week halves. There will be 2 position rounds on week 16 and 32.

There will be 3 weeks off for holidays. Thanksgiving November 22, 2018, Christmas December 27, 2018.

The league will begin at 6:20 p.m. for practice and competition at 6:30 p.m.

MANAGEMENT:
Management of this league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which shall consist of the league officers and team captains.

PRESIDENT: George Mann	PHONE 256-288-9915
VICE PRESIDENT: Marty West	PHONE 256-508-7521
SEC'TY/TREAS: Bill Howard	PHONE 256-536-7870

FEES:
The amount to be paid by each member each night shall be $15.00 broken down as follows:

Lineage:	$10.50
Sec/Treas	1.00
Prize Fund	3.50

The bowling fees for the last 2 weeks will be charged on the 1st week of bowling and will be due by the 8th week of the schedule.

Each team will turn in team envelopes to the Secretary/Treasurer by the beginning of the 2nd game.

No individual will be allowed to be behind more than 1 week in payment. After this time, the individual will not be allowed to bowl and a vacancy score will be used until all monies are made up.

Secretary/Treasurer shall be paid at the completion of the league schedule.

LEAGUE FUNDS:
An account shall be opened in the name of this league at BBVA Compass Bank, in which league funds shall be deposited weekly. Withdrawals from the account shall be made only with the signatures of the President and Secretary/Treasurer. The President shall audit the league account at least once per month.

SANCTION:
The league will be sanctioned with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

Current Sanction fee is $23.00.
Local Association fee only is $8.00
State fee only is $2.00

Sanction fees must be paid on the 1st night of bowling.

If any member wishes to sanction with TNBA the league will be sanctioned by TNBA. Current sanction fee is $21.00. TNBA sanction is optional.

PRIZES:
The President shall appoint a committee of at least 3 members to draw up a prize list. The prize list must be approved by a majority of the league and distributed to the team captains within 5 weeks after the start of the season.

To qualify for individual awards, a bowler must have bowled at least 2/3 of the scheduled games. (64 games)

Bowlers average after 12 games will determine qualification for handicap awards.

No team or individual will be eligible for more than 1 high series or high game award. When a team or individual qualifies for more than one award, the prize of greater value will be awarded. If the prizes are of equal value, series will take precedence over game and handicap will take precedence over scratch.

MOST IMPROVED BOWLER AWARD:
The most improved bowler award will be determined in accordance with USBC Rule 54a.

AVERAGES:
Bowlers will establish an average on the first night of bowling by completing a 3 game series.

HANDICAP:
Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference between the bowlers average and 210.

There will be no limit on handicap.

TEAM ROSTERS:
Team Captains will turn in rosters of the team members to the Secretary prior to the start of the schedule. Rosters will be limited to 6 players.

No new bowlers may be added to team rosters the last 2 weeks of each half of the schedule unless filling a vacancy.

A bowler withdrawing from the league must give a 2-week notice to the Team Captain and Secretary and is responsible for the bowling fees for those weeks.

SUBSTITUTES:
A list of roving substitutes shall be maintained by the league.

Men may substitute for women and women may substitute for men as long as one member of each gender is in the lineup.

No substitutes may be used the last 2 weeks of each half or in a rolloff.

LEGAL LINEUP:
2 members must be present at the start of each game to constitute a legal-lineup.
If a team has a vacancy 1 member and vacancy will constitute a legal-lineup.

TARDY PLAYERS:
A bowler who arrives late may enter the 1st game provided 4 frames have not been completed. Bowlers must be present at the beginning of the 2nd and 3rd games.

FORFEITURES:
When a game is declared forfeited, the team present shall bowl as though the game was actually contested. In order to win points the team must bowl within 40 pins of the team average.

ABSENTEE AND VACANCY SCORES:
A blind score shall be based on the average of the regular team member absent and will be the absent bowler's average less 10 pins.

A vacancy score shall be 120 plus handicap (81).

POSTPONEMENTS AND PREBOWLED GAMES:
Requests to prebowl or postbowl must be approved by the Board of Directors except for bonafide emergencies.

Teams requesting to prebowl or postbowl MUST notify a league officer and the opposing team captain of their intention to prebowl or postbowl at least 48 hours in advance. A forfeit will be issued when teams fail to follow this procedure, except for bonafide emergencies.

All postponements must be bowled before the next scheduled date for the league.

Individual prebowling or postbowling is not allowed.

POINTS:
There will be 2 points awarded for each game won and 2 points for total pins won for each team, for a total of 8 points per session.

PLAYOFFS:
To determine the winner of any playoff for 1st place, a 3-game series shall be bowled under the same conditions governing league play during the regular season. An extra 10th frame shall be bowled in the event of a tie at the end of a playoff series.

Any situation not covered by these league rules will be in accordance with USBC rules.

These bylaws approved by the league general membership at an organizational meeting held on September 7, 2018, at which time a quorum was present.