

[2022-2023 Playing Rules Book](#)

May 2023

Last month, we discussed:

- Playoffs and Roll-offs
- Season-Ending Financial Statement

If you missed last month's *Rules Extra*, please click [here](#).

This month, we will cover:

- Closing Out the Season
- Two-Handed Deliveries vs Two-Handed Approaches
- 2023 USBC Annual Meeting Updates

If you are no longer a league officer, please forward *Rules Extra* to newly-elected officers if you have their email address so that they will be more knowledgeable in their new role.

Please forward *Rules Extra* via email to your fellow officers and league members.



LEAGUE RESOURCES

Closing out the season entails quite a bit more than just passing out the prize money. Below is a list of actions that need to be completed at the end of your season.

League secretaries need to:

- Submit final average records to the local association.
- Provide the final standings to the treasurer for prize distribution.
- Verify that any awards earned in the league have been submitted.
- Notify the association of any changes in league officers for the upcoming season.

League treasurers need to:

- Provide a detailed financial statement to each team captain, officer and/or league member.

If elections are held, the current officers must turn over all records to the new officers.

USBC provides information on league operations and officer responsibilities on our League Resources page, which can be accessed below.

[League Resources Page](#)

 IN THE NEWS



2023 USBC Convention and Annual Meeting Comes to a Close

United States Bowling Congress delegates elected three board members and voted on a number of legislative proposals at the **2023 USBC Convention and Annual Meeting**, which came to a close April 27. Read the full press release below.

USBC announced certification of String Pin bowling effective August 1, 2023. See the press release below. A FAQ on the certification of string pin bowling can be found below.

[Convention Press Release](#)

[String Pin Press Release](#)

[FAQ on String Pin](#)



HOT TOPICS

Two-Handed Deliveries vs Two-Handed Approaches – What’s the Difference?

USBC has taken steps to clarify the confusion that reigns over the topic of two-handed deliveries and two-handed approaches. The addition of a new Rule 4f will attempt to provide clarity to this issue. The new Rule 4f states:

4f. Two-Handed Techniques

When utilizing a two-handed technique, holes or indentations for gripping purposes must be used by the same hand.

1. **Two-handed Delivery** – Utilizes both hands to impart force on the ball to get it down the lane, normally done by swinging the ball between one’s legs. This style is most commonly used when youth start to learn how to bowl. Individuals who deliver the ball from the chest using both hands would be using a two-handed delivery.
2. **Two-handed Approach** – Both hands are on the ball throughout the swing until the release with a dominant hand imparting force, determined by the side of the body by which the ball swings.



DON'T FORGET!

Don't forget...The League Treasurer is responsible for providing a detailed financial statement to each team captain when the prizes are distributed. USBC has created an interactive financial statement for leagues to use. You can access it below.



DO YOUR BOWLERS KNOW?

Do your bowlers know...the date of your league's organizational meeting? We urge leagues to set the date before the end of the league session and let your bowlers know the date of the meeting for next season.



Busted, Plausible or Confirmed:

Myth #13: The final prize list is the league financial statement.

Myth #49: A league can adopt a rule not to add roll-off, playoff and sweeper/"Fun Night" games into final average records.

Myth #53: A bowler using the two-handed approach cannot use a one-handed delivery.

[Get the answers to these and other bowling myths.](#)

Want to be part of Mythbusters? Send your bowling myth to Rules@bowl.com.