

Last week, we discussed:

- Elections
- President and vice president duties
- Other important information to complete your duties as an officer.

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

This week, we are covering:

- League Organization Best Practices
- League Secretary duties
- More League officer duties

You will receive *Rules Extra* for the next two Wednesdays, as we look at rules and finances heading into the new season.

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

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



HOT TOPICS

The USBC Board has rescinded the changes made to USBC rules in 2019-2020, which were instituted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Starting Aug. 1, 2022, the following rule changes will be in effect:

Rule 18 – Bowlers will no longer be allowed to use isopropyl alcohol to clean a bowling ball once competition has started.

Rules 113a and 113b – The use of two lanes immediately adjoining each other will again be required to be used for league competition.

Rules 320a and 320b - The use of two lanes immediately adjoining each other will again be required to be used for tournament competition.



LEAGUE RESOURCES

League Organization Best Practices

As the League Secretary, you have an integral role in the organization of the league for the upcoming season. Actions you should take to help ensure that the status of the league is up to date include:

- Contact team captains who have indicated their intent to return for the upcoming season and verify the status of their team. Do any teams need bowlers?
- Keep in contact with the center so all parties are aware of the status of the league and any needs for teams or individual bowlers to fill openings.
- Attend any association sponsored officer workshops and collect your league supplies.
- Verify any arrangements needed for the leagues organizational meeting.
- Contact your fellow league officers with updates and to enlist their help as needed.
- Is your league using the center record-keeping services? If not, is your league software up to date?

Secretary Duties

1. [Training video](#)
2. Get league information from the local association
3. Ensure every bowler:
 - a. Completes a membership application
 - b. Pays fees or shows receipt for membership fees already paid
4. [Certify the league as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the first week](#)
5. Update the league rules and pass out to the team captains
6. [Post and/or pass out a league schedule](#)
7. Update standings and pass out weekly recap sheets
8. Send in final averages as requested by the local association

Here are some guides USBC provides to assist you in completing your duties as a League Secretary.

- [League Quick-Start Checklist](#)
- [Sample League Rules](#)
- [League Dues Worksheet](#)

More League Officer Duties

Leagues lease the lanes from the center to bowl at a certain time for a certain number of weeks, thus entering into a contract, regardless if it is verbal or written. What should you discuss with the center? Click [here](#) for tips.



Mythbusters

Busted, plausible or confirmed:

Myth #3: The bowling center determines the length of the league schedule.

Myth #4: The center's secretarial service includes all the secretary's duties.

Get the answers to these and other bowling myths.

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