



**2017 BOWLING ADVISORY MEETING  
Minutes and Recommendations  
May 1, 2017**

**The following members were present for this meeting:**

Leslie Alappattu (IESA Assistant Executive Director), Jeff Bailey (Tournament Host), Tom Doud (Minooka JHS Coach), John Kreeger (Freeport MS and Freeport Carl Sandburg Coach), Kirk Martin (Cahokia Wirth Coach), Kelly Nimtze (Loves Park Harlem Coach), Al Nordman (Tournament Manager and Mt. Morris Rahn Coach), Greg Paul (Minooka JHS Coach), and Bob Stubler (Tournament Manager)

**The IESA Bowling Advisory Committee, in its meeting on May 1, 2017, makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for their June 16, 2017 meeting:**

**IESA BOWLING TERMS AND CONDITIONS CHANGES**

***Recommendation #1***

Current	Coops in IESA Bowling are not permitted.
Proposed	Allow schools to form coops for IESA Bowling
Rationale	Would allow smaller schools or schools with lower numbers to be able to draw students from other schools to form a team
Bowling T&C	None - add to III.A if approved
IESA Handbook	By-Law 2.140 and 4.173

***Recommendation #2***

Current	A school may enter up to four (4) bowlers and one alternate to represent them as a team in the boys' and/or girls' division(s).
Proposed	A school registering a team may list up to 6 students on the online roster with the understanding that only 4 students will bowl at any given time in the boys' and/or girls' division(s).
Rationale	Schools' teams are growing and it is getting more difficult to determine only one extra student, gives coaches more flexibility, remove the idea of "alternate" but rather that a school has a lineup and the two extra spots serve as the option for substitutes during a game.
Bowling T&C	III.A, IV.A.4a
IESA Handbook	By-Law 4.173

***Recommendation #3***

Current	Once a school has replaced a roster position, no further substitutions may be made until the start of the next game.
Proposed	A school may make up two (2) substitutions in any one game.
Rationale	If schools are permitted to have 6 students on the online roster, it is preferable to allow the opportunity for both substitutes to be able to be entered into the game if so desired. If Recommendation #2 is not approved, this change is not necessary.
Bowling T&C	IV.A.4d
IESA Handbook	None

***Recommendation #4***

Adopt Sectional Qualifier information into IESA Bowling Terms and Conditions as presented.

## **Recommendation #5**

Current	None
Proposed	Include a wheel chair division for the state finals (no sectional qualifier for this division) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bowl 3 games only during Saturday's Round 3 of state finals</li><li>- A student with physical disabilities wishing to participate in the wheel chair division must have a statement of disability on file with appropriate personnel responsible for student health issues at the student's school</li><li>- Students who use a wheelchair for mobility or sports are eligible to participate (an athlete who does not ordinarily participate in sports using a wheelchair will not be allowed to use one if he/she is injured and unable to participate in his/her usual manner)</li><li>- Awards are given to the top 3 individuals (no team component)</li><li>- All students entered in the wheel chair division will compete in a wheelchair of any variety; it is the responsibility of the student-athlete and his/her family to provide the wheel chair and any other equipment which the athlete will use for competition</li></ul>
Rationale	Allows for a more inclusive and similar environment for students with physical disabilities, allows students to compete in a division with peers, while students are already permitted to compete in a wheel chair compete is already allowed, it is cumbersome and can interrupt the pace of play to make the accommodations needed to install/remove ramp for each frame bowled
Bowling T&C	I, III.B.1
IESA Handbook	By-Law 4.171

## **DISCUSSION TOPICS**

1. Date change made for sectionals and state finals for 2019-20 due to Easter holiday.
2. Added coach check-in prior to the start of Round 2 on Saturday - coaches will confirm teams/individuals are present, obtain replacement wristbands, Saturday scoresheets will be distributed, confirm lane assignments
3. Increase Saturday numbers to advance 12 teams and 40 individuals from Friday - no recommendation
4. The coach of a school needs to communicate to the tournament official(s) during a tiebreaker if the team/student(s) wants a clean rack for the first ball.
5. Limit the number of balls for each bowler - no recommendation
6. Do not permit standing of other bowlers behind current bowler - no recommendation
7. Limit excessive cheering - no recommendation, committee agrees that profanity, taunting and derogatory cheers should not be tolerated and a tournament officials should be notified if a coach has a concern re: another school's behavior
8. IESA Bowling administrator will reiterate to schools/coaches/students the attire/face paint policy.

The IESA Bowling advisory committee recognized and thanked Tom Doud, John Kreeger, Kirk Martin and Greg Paul for their service to the committee over the years.

The IESA Bowling Advisory Committee's next meeting date is set for Monday, April 30, 2018.

### **Bowling Administrator Responsibilities**

1. *Tape off walking areas - Jeff*
2. *Update standings throughout the round as scoresheets are submitted rather than waiting until all are collected*
3. *IV.A.4 - Change title to "Substitutes"*
4. *Change alternates term everywhere (sectional info, T&C - as needed)*
5. *Look into whether or not host schools are needed for sectionals*
6. *Work with Jeff to determine location to store students' equipment away from pit area*
7. *Turn off state final individual and team results after Game 9 on Saturday*
8. *Interrupting pace of play (pushups, excessive celebrating), don't change students' names on computer (use substitution or notify front desk)- add this to the coaches' meeting agenda*
9. *Allow option for assistant coach to be included on online roster*



**BOWLING SECTIONALS - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
TO INCLUDE IN TERMS & CONDITIONS  
DRAFT PER BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVAL**

**I. SECTIONAL FORMAT AND ADVANCERS**

**A. Assignments**

1. Sectional assignments will be determined so that the number of schools registered as of the initial entry deadline is as equal as possible and geographically reasonable at each sectional site.
2. Schools are not permitted to practice at their assigned sectional site on the day of the sectional competition. Further, schools are not permitted to practice at the state final site on either day of the state finals.
3. The sectional competition will take place the Saturday prior to the posted state competition date. Adjustments will be made as needed for the Easter holiday.

**B. Online Roster**

1. The online roster form is for the state series (sectionals and state).
2. Students or adults not listed on the online roster form must remain outside of the competition area and only students listed on the online roster form are permitted to participate in the competition.
3. After the online roster deadline, any change to the lineup must be submitted to the IESA by noon (12:00 pm) on Friday of Week 39. After this date, schools are only permitted to scratch participants from sectional competition.

**C. Odd Number of Teams Competing (if applicable):**

1. The first bowler of a team cannot begin their next frame until the last bowler has completed their first ball of the previous frame.
2. Pacer teams are not allowed.

**D. Format and Advancers**

1. Students competing in sectionals will bowl three (3) games and all competitors will follow USBC bowling rules (with any exceptions noted throughout the IESA Bowling Terms and Conditions).
2. A maximum of 288 individuals will advance from sectionals to state. The number of boys' teams, girls' teams and boys' and girls' individual bowlers advancing from each sectional site will be determined by the IESA office.
  - a. If a sectional does not have the minimum number of advancing teams registered, the following process will be used to fill the state finals field:
    - i. The IESA shall survey all the sectionals and determine the number of teams (boys and/or girls) that are needed to fill the state finals field.
    - ii. To fill the field, IESA will determine which team(s) has the least number of pins behind the last qualifying spot in the sectionals.
    - iii. In the case of a tie, the tiebreaker will be broken by the team with the highest series. If the tie still is not broken, then the team with the best 3rd game shall advance to the state finals. Consequently, should a tie still exist the next tiebreakers will be the team with the best 2nd game and then the best 1st game.
  - b. If a team advances from sectionals to state and has a player that is no longer able to participate in the state competition:
    - i. The school is permitted to use another student who was included on the online roster.
    - ii. If the school did not list another student on the online roster, the team will still compete in the team competition and will only compete with students listed on their online roster.
  - c. If an individual bowler from a given sectional has qualified but can no longer participate in the state finals, the next eligible bowler from that sectional will advance and the following procedures must be followed:
    - i. The principal or athletic director from the school of the bowler withdrawing from the competition MUST notify the IESA in writing by 3:00 pm on the Tuesday prior to the state finals.
    - ii. The IESA will notify the new advancing individual.
    - iii. After the stated deadline has passed, no open positions will be replaced.
3. In the event of a lane breakdown that takes more than 15 minutes, the bowlers shall move to an open pair of lanes as determined by the sectional host. In the event of a hard break, pins should be re-set at the time of the break on the new lanes. One practice ball on each new lane will be allowed for each bowler as a warm up.

- a. The game must be finished on the new lanes.
    - b. If a new game is to begin and the original lanes have been repaired, the original lanes must be used.
  - 4. The IESA office will have until 3:00 pm on Monday after sectionals to make corrections to the advancers in the event a clerical error was made in calculating sectional results.
  - 5. Sportsmanship
    - a. If a bowler, coach or spectator is ejected from the tournament for unsportsmanlike conduct, please notify the IESA Bowling administrator immediately.
      - i. A bowler ejected from the sectional tournament will not be permitted to return to any interscholastic contest that day and will be ineligible for the next contest (Friday of state finals if advancing).
      - ii. A coach ejected from the sectional tournament is not permitted to be on-site and/or coaching the remainder of the day of the ejection and is ineligible to coach the next two interscholastic contests (Friday and Saturday of state).
- E. Awards
- 1. The top boys' team and the top girls' team shall be awarded the sectional plaque and six (6) medallions each (4 team members, 1 alternate, 1 coach) - **if the recommendation to add a roster position to the online roster is approved (see recommendation above in advisory committee minutes), this number will change to seven (7) medallions being awarded.**
  - 2. The top 10 individual bowlers in each sectional will receive awards. The champion will be awarded a medallion and bowlers #2-10 will receive a ribbon.
- F. Tiebreakers
- 1. Teams
    - a. Ties will only be broken for 1<sup>st</sup> place and the last qualifying spot. The following tiebreaker procedure must be followed:
      - i. The team with the highest third game advances.
      - ii. In the event a tie still exists after reviewing the score of the third game, the tie will be broken by looking at which the team has the highest second game score and, if needed, the highest first game score.
  - 2. Individuals
    - a. Ties will only be broken for 1<sup>st</sup> place and the last qualifying spot. The following tiebreaker procedure must be followed:
      - i. The individual with the highest third game advances.
      - ii. In the event a tie still exists after reviewing the score of the third game, the tie will be broken by looking at which individual has the highest second game score and, if needed, the highest first game score.

## II. FINANCIAL

- A. Sectionals Payment for Bowlers
  - 1. Each school is responsible for paying each participating student's lane fees at sectionals.
    - a. A school paying for four (4) bowlers does not need to pay for the additional bowler(s) listed on the online roster; the additional student(s) does not pay and is permitted to be in the pit area with the team.
    - b. The cost for each game bowled will be determined by the sectional host and the cost per game shall include the cost of shoes and bowling balls.
    - c. If payment is not made to the bowling center upon arrival at the sectional site, the student(s) will not be permitted to participate in sectional competition.
  - 2. The sectional host determines the acceptable form(s) of payment - cash, school-issued check, money order or credit card. Debit cards and/or personal checks are not acceptable forms of payment.
  - 3. Purchase orders and/or season passes to the bowling center are not considered acceptable forms of payment to the sectional host.
- B. General Admission Ticket Gate
  - 1. Admission will be \$2 for K-8 students and senior citizens (62+) and \$4 per adult and high school students.
- C. IESA will pay the lane fees for all participants at the state finals.