



## Rules Extra - April 2019

### How do we adjust our prize list?

Last month, we discussed audits and financial statements. If you did not receive a copy of last month's Rules Extra, please contact [Rules@bowl.com](mailto:Rules@bowl.com).

In this month's edition, we look at how to adjust a prize fund. Please share Rules Extra with your fellow officers and league members.

### How to adjust the team prize list

For details and options to amend the league prize list, click [how to adjust a prize list](#).

### How to prorate prize money for individuals

To prorate prize money between bowlers, divide the total team prize money by the playing strength of the league to determine the amount per bowler on the team. Then divide the individual portion by the number of weeks the league bowls, which equals the amount of prize money per week an individual receives. Multiply the amount per week by the number of weeks each bowler paid.

**Example:** A league bowls 25 weeks and each team has four (4) players. The team prize money is \$400 or \$100 per bowler. To split prize money between two bowlers, divide the individual prize money (\$100) by the number of weeks (25) to get the amount per week ( $100/25 = \$4$  per week). This amount is then multiplied by the number of weeks each bowler paid into the prize fund.

### What takes precedence

We receive many calls asking what takes precedence, scratch or handicap prizes, in a handicap league. If the league rules are silent, the league board of directors decides by a majority vote of those present and voting.

**Don't forget...**league envelopes are part of the league financial records and must be saved for one full season.

**Do your bowlers know...**their USBC membership allows them to bowl in a summer league? Why not encourage your bowlers to keep their skills sharp by joining a summer league?

### **Mythbusters**

Busted, plausible, or confirmed:

Myth #18: A team cannot be forced to use an absentee score for a position round or playoff.

Myth #49: A league can adopt a rule not to add roll-off, playoff and sweeper/fun night averages into final average records.

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

Want to be part of Mythbusters? Send your bowling myth to [Rules@bowl.com](mailto:Rules@bowl.com).

### **Tenpin Puzzler**

This month's Puzzler comes from Robert in Maryland, who asks PB to explain the ruling for Jacob Butturff's 5-6 re-spot.

To find out the answer, either view the [Tenpin Puzzler video](#) or read the [Tenpin Puzzler article](#).

If you have a question for PB, email him at [PBAtkinson@bowl.com](mailto:PBAtkinson@bowl.com). If PB uses your question, we will send you an autographed copy of the 2018-2019 USBC Playing Rules.



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