OABV – BOWLING SPORTS RULES

1.OABV – BOWLING

The Onafhankelijk Antwerps Bowling Verband is a non-profit association who organizes bowlingleagues for Bowlers and Bowlingclubs in the region of Antwerp.

2. AIMS

The Aims of OABV are to let practise all our members the bowlingsport in optimale conditions.

3. ORGANISATION, STRUCTURE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Here are the regulations applicable approved on the General Meeting of the VZW Onafhankelijk Antwerps Bowling Verbond.
Each season, minimum one General Meeting will be held.

4. GAME- AND MATCHREGULATIONS

These sportsrules must be strictly adhered. Where necessary, the applied sport regulations of the B.B.S.F. (Belgian Bowling Sport Federation) can be invoked.

5. BOARD OF DIRECTORS – DAILY MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors of OABV vzw as well as the Daliy Management of OABV consist of minimum 3 members.
The mandatory of Board Members is for a period of 2 years for the President and 4 years for all other Board Members. All Board Members are re-elected.
To be elected, all new candidates needs to submit there application in writing by the President minimum 14 calenderdays before the General Meeting (Details via our businessnumber 0650.848.323).

6. SPORTSCOMMITTEE

Per matchleague (WDIT, WWOD, WDOT) seperate sportscommittees will be set up by the Management. These committees areformed by the League Leader and on the other hand, by the respective teamcaptains of the participating teams. The committees will inform the Board of Members with appropriate advices. All final decisions will be made by the Daily Management of OABV vzw.

7. PROBLEMS RELATING SPORT REGULATIONS

For treatment of problems relating sport regulations, consultation between Daily Management and Sportcomités will be held. If required, the Daily Management will invite all parties involved for a mutual meeting.
Via the Info bulletin the decisions will be brought to the attention of the members.
Problems which can't be solved via these sports regulations, will be settled according the applicable regulations of "F.I.Q."
(Fédération Internationale des Quilleurs).

8. BOWLING-CENTERS

OABV organizes matchleagues in next bowlingcenters :
BOWLINGSTONES :
- Wommelgem WDIT, WWOD, WDOT

New centers are always becoming eligible for new leagues.

9. GAME EVENINGS, STARTING HOURS AND SERIES

OABV organizes leagues on Tuesday-, Wednesday- and Thursday evening. The starting times are mentioned in the respective contest calender.
The Daily Management of OABV are allowed to make possible changes after due consultation. The organisation of each new playing season is the responsibility of the Daily Management.

10. LEAGUES EN CUP COMPETITION

- WDIT, CWOT and WDOT are playing in trioleague
- WWOD and WZAD are playing in double league

The amount to be paid per matchday/league will be set at the General Assembly before the next competition. Based on these, the payment schedules will be made for the whole season and forwarded to the teamcaptains to be followed.
In case of exceeding the mentioned due dates, in first instance the respectif teamcaptain and all the teamplayers will receive within 8 days a reminder for paying the amount within 8 days. In case of non-payment with the due term, the team is suspended next matches till the payment has been made.
The opposing team play his match within the rules of forfait as foreseen in art. 21
In case of repeated infringements the Daily Management may impose further penalties.

Beside the leagues, each season a cup competition and/or individual Championships can be organized, only in case of enough interest.
The admission requirements are determined by the Daily Management and as mentioned relating the respectif inscriptionforms.
Participation on this extra competition is not required but recommended by the Daily Management. Considering the practucal application modalities, the requirements in articles 18 and 24 are in force.

11. PLAYERS AND RESPECTIF MEMBERSHIPFEES

Even men als women are allowed to participate in the competition.
The minimum age for participation is set at 8 year, under condition that the youth player (8-12 year) is accompanied with an adult and so familiar with the bowlingrules such as priorityrules etc.
The membership fee will be set at the General Assembly before the next competition. Only players who has paid their membership fee will be allowed to the competions.
New, even once, players, will be required to pay their membership fee.

12. NUMBER OF PLAYERS

Per trio maximum 12 players, per double maximum 10 players are allowed.
The team captain needs to inform the Daily Management about all the names of the players, changes, cancellations or modifications (as well as the informations about the players required by the Daily Management).
During the last 3 matches of the competition, it's not allowed that new

players will be drawn up who didn't played yet during the competition.
New players, even for 1time, will be required to pay membership fee.

13. HANDICAP-LEAGUES

The competitions of OABV-Bowling are played according the handicapsystem 80% of 210 scratch. The average of the players will be deducted from 210. From this number, 80 % will be taken. The maximum handicap which a player can get is 80.

14. AVERAGES

In the first match, all members of OABV needs to play 3 games (or 4 in doubleleague). The average for the next match of each player will be calculated based on the first 3 or 4 games.
Each time the respectif player joins a match, after each matchday the handicap will be recalculated based on the cumulative average.

Members who participated in at least 15 games in an OABV-competition earlier season or having a BBSF-average for at least 15 games, will start with this average. For whole new players, the average will be calculated afterwards based on the 3 or 4 played games. The respective handicap willd be added on the scoresheet and the gamepoints will be calculated.

The average of the past-participation OABV-competition is primal against another OABV-competion and latest against the BBSF-average.
This average will count degressive as buffer
during 15 games
After each matchday, the handicap will be recalculated based on the cumulative average completed with the degressif buffer. After 15 games (or 20 games in doubleleague) the buffer will be definitively gone.

15. TEAM CAPTAINS

The team captain is the link between the Daily Management of OABV and his/her team (as per article 6 relating sportscommittees).
He/she will be responsible that the game sheet will be filled in correctly and also mentioning the ending scores, the horizontal and vertical summation of the scores (incollaboration with the team captain of the opposite team).
By numbers in the appropriate boxes, the matchpoints will be mentioned (number 2 by victory, 0 by loss). In case of equality of score, number 1 will be noted in the boxes by each team. The captain or substitutes of the hometeam (team who started at the left lane) will be responsible for the filling out of the score sheet correctly and completely. Once completed, it needs to be signed by both team captains or their substitutes. The home-playing team forward the scoresheet to the league leader of OABV, together with the infomaps of both teams.

16. GAMEPOINTS

2 points are awarded by win of a game, 1 point by draw. It's of course obvious that, for calculation of the points, the handicaps should be added with the total scores. WDIT, CWOT and WDOT are being played over 3 games, WWOD and WZAD over 4 games so in the trioleague 8 points and in double league 10 points can be awarded; 2 per winning game and 2 for the highest final score.

17. RANKING BY EQUAL NUMBER OF VICTORY POINTS

In this case, the ranking is determined according the highest scored pins, handicap included.

18. LATE ARRIVERS

A player who arrives into the bowlingcenter is allowed to enter the game and can start from the beginning, in considering that the opposite team did not end yet the 5th frame of the playing game. If this is although the fact, the player has to wait till the next game to join the team. For non-played games, the blindscore can be calculated (artikel 19).
Even for the complete as incomplete team, it will be expected that the rules will be followed on a sportif way. No intentions for delaying the game will be accepted !

19. BLINDSCORE

The Blindscore is set at 145 pins (handicap included).

20. ORDER OF PLAY

The 2 (in doubleleague) or 3 (in trioleague) players who will start the first game, need to mention their names at first on the scoresheet.
The other 2 places can be filled in with the substitute players. In case of pre-printed scoresheets, the two or three players needs to be mentioned on the scoresheets. When this is not the case, they need to be added manually.
On the scoring screens, only the names of the effective players can be mentioned. The players have to play, in order as filled in on the blanc scoresheet or as on the scoringsscreen in case of pre-printed scoresheet, in turn on one lane and by next throw on the other lane next to (American style). On the scoresheet, as well as mentioned on the contest calender, is instructed on which lane the respective teams needs to start the match.

21. PLAYING BY NUMERICAL MINORITY OR SUSPENSION

To play a game, minimum 2 of 3 players needs to be present. For the 3rd absent player, the blindscore will count. Nevertheless, these games needs to be paid into the weekly/monthly amount. The first player needs to wait till all players of the opposite team has played their frame before he can start a new frame. In the double league, minimum 1player needs to be present. Also here will count the blindscore for the absent player. If a team does not have the required number of players on the scheduled evening or is suspended, the other team will play against the average of its own players who contest the match. reduced by 10 pins per player and per game.
The team that forfeits automatically receives 0 points. After three forfeits, the executive board can proceed to additional sanctions including possible elimination from the league.

22. POSTPONEMENT OF MATCHES OR FORFAITS

As each trio 12 and each double team 10 players can subscribe, in general no postponement of matches can be allowed. Exceptions can be made in case of heir force (article 27). Postponement of games always needs to be requested by one of the Board Members, minimum 1 day upfront. Only Board Members can approve and allow the postponement of matches. During the last 3 matchdays of the league, no matches can be postponed.

23. ERRORS ON MATCH SHEETS

When this might be the case, the respectif league leader will apply the corrections on the score sheet. Both team captains will be informed of this matter.

24. USE OF RESERVE PLAYERS

It's allowed to use reserve players. They can be drawn up in each game, although not during a game. The maximum of reserve players per match is two. So in total 4 players can be used during a match in duoleague and 5 players during a match in trioleague.
Reserve players needs to comply with the requirements as mentioned in article 11. Relating the calculation of the handicap, article 14 is effective.

In case of an injured player, a reserve player can be drawn up directly in the next frame of the respectif game. The reserve player completes the game on the same position as mentioned on the scoringsscreen and with the handicap of the injured player. As from the next game, the handicap needs to be changed confirm this one mentioned on the handicaplist. The injured player can't re-enter during the match.

25. CHAMPION

The championship is contested per league in one continuous competition. Champion is the team that will have the most points at the end of the regular competition. At equality of points, article 17 of this sportsregulation is applicable (highest scored pintotal handicap included).

26. CLAIMS

Claims needs to be forwarded by written to the Daily Management.
If necessary, the Daily Management will keep an appropriate consultation. The decision will be informed by written.

27. HEIR FORCE

In case of heir force (full absence of all players of one team due to for example car accident, death, other unforeseen circumstances), the Daily Management can do, in accordation with the respective teams and bowling franchiser, appropriate proposals. In such case of heir force, the respective team needs to inform the Daily Management (leagueleader) as soon as possible. In case of postponement, the match needs to be played preferably upfront or maximum 1 week after the calenderdate.

28. TELESCORES

They need to be filled in on the scoresheet after each throw. Only in case of 2 or more consecutive strikes, it can be postponed. This article is void in case of automatic scorecalculattion by the computer in the bowlingcenter.

29. UNFORESEEN CASES OF DEVIATION

All measures which will be taken by the Board Members, will be in accordance with the current regulations of the "F.I.Q.".

30. DOPING

Every doping offender of the dopingregulation, established by the

Disciplinary Committee on a final way, as foreseen in de Decree about Medical responsible sportspractise of 27.03.191, or other judicial authority, will be excluded of all sportsactivities for minimum 3 months and maximum 2 years by the first offense. Repeatedly within the 2 years, that period doubled.

31. SMOKING, EATING AND DRINKING

There's a general smoking ban within our bowlingcenters. Also evaporating and the use of vaporisators is not allowed. With respect for the opposite team and our sport, it's forbidden to eat and drink within the playersarea (place where teams ae sitting + passage thereafter). Smoking, evaporate and vaporizing (except in accordance with opposite team), eating (without the playersarea) and drinking (high tables between the lanes) is off course allowed in the respective areas.