

## **TOURNAMENT RULES and REGULATIONS**

The Jersey Shore Moose is excited to host this year's Pennsylvania Moose Association (PMA) bowling tournament. The tournament will be held at Harvest Moon Bowling Lanes in Linden, PA. This is a 16 lane house, which will give the opportunity for many teams to participate. The tournament will be conducted throughout the month of March 2026.

First, when scheduling please indicate your first, second, and third session on the application. We appreciate your participation and want to be respectful of your time. If you've set aside a weekend to come bowl with us, we want to make sure that you're able to bowl and don't need to worry about rescheduling. We understand your weekends are valuable.

Participants will bowl Singles and Doubles on the same day and lanes will not be redressed between events. The next day the same folks will bowl their Team matches.

- 1) Entrants must be members in good standing of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) and either the Loyal Order of the Moose or Women on the Moose.
- 2) All entries and competition in this tournament must be in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the USBC. As well as, the Moose International Rules that are posted on the MI Webpage under Activities/Sports.
- 3) Entrants must bowl both Singles and Doubles the first time they participate in the Tournament. Multiple participation will not be permitted, with the exception of Jersey Shore Moose Lodge members substituting for vacancies on out-of-town teams. These substitutes will qualify for prize money.
- 4) Substitutes may be used when necessary, as long as such substitute meets all the rules of eligibility. No substitute will be accepted for All Events prize list participation when any one event, or portion of any event, has been bowled by the original entrant. The substitute must bowl in the same position as the original bowler.
- 5) Entrants will use their highest sanctioned USBC average based on a minimum of 21 games for the prior season. If the entrant has no 21-game prior average, entrant must use a sanctioned 21-game average as of the date they are scheduled to bowl. Entrants who use a 21-game sanctioned average as of the date they bowl must bring verification from league secretary. Entrants must use their current year average if they have bowled 21 games this season and their average is 10 pins or higher than their previous season as of the date they are scheduled to bowl.
- 6) It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average, whether submitted by the bowler or their captain. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction prior to completion of the first game of a series may disqualify score if the submitted average is lower than the actual average.

- 7) All participants will compete in one division. Prizes will be paid on handicap totals, with the exception of paying out the top scratch score for all four events (team, singles, doubles, all events)
- 8) The team captain in the Team and Doubles events and the individual in the singles event must verify the accuracy of the scores as they are entered on the recap sheet by signing the score sheet upon completion of each event. Any appeal or protest concerning mistakes in scoring shall be submitted to the Tournament Director no later than 24 hours after the event has been bowled.
- 9) Entries must have All Events fees paid with entry. Entrants not entering all events must submit \$5.00 per man for the events entered. The balance due must be paid before bowling events entered. All entry fees are non-refundable. After entry is scheduled and no objections are received by the Tournament Director within 24 hours, entries must have the entry fee paid in full for events that you are scheduled to bowl.
- 10) No entries will be accepted without preferred date and time designated for each event. A second and third preference should also be noted in the blank space provided for that purpose. Please indicate using the session names including in this packet on the 'SESSION AVAILABILITY' page.
- 11) Captains of participating teams in the tournament will receive a copy of the complete prize list. The prize list will also be posted on the PMA website.
- 12) Team captains or individuals will be notified in writing by the Tournament Director of any changes in their final standings which would affect prize money won by their entry. The notification will list the reason for any changes.
- 13) No unreasonable delay when bowling will be permitted. Delays will be dealt with according to the General Playing Rules of the USBC.
- 14) In the event of a tie for first place in any event, co-champions shall be declared.
- 15) Improper conduct during the course of your completion shall be cause for disqualification of score in that event.
- 16) All decisions of the Tournament Director/on-site Tournament Manager are final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC rules.
- 17) Minimum participation requirement. The Tournament Director reserves the right to cancel squads and reassign bowlers to other squads if there are less than 2 teams or 12 minor event entrants in a squad. Bowlers will be notified of this change in their confirmation letter/email.

- 18) Confirmation letters will be sent by email in all possible situations. Email will also be used to send the final standings upon the completion of the tournament. This email will not be used for any other purpose nor sold or given to anyone outside the scope of this tournament.
- 19) Ten minutes will be allowed for practice for each pair of lanes prior the start of Singles and Team events. No practice will be allowed prior the beginning of Doubles, which will begin shortly after the completion of Singles for all bowlers.
- 20) Each bowler will be given an 80% handicap up to 220 pins. Anyone averaging 220 and above will not receive any handicap, nor will they receive any negative handicap.
- 21) Any circumstances not covered by these rules shall be interpreted by USBC rules.

ENTRY FEE	Prize Fee	Lineage	Expenses	Total	Per Bowler
Team (5 bowlers)	\$35.00	\$65.00	\$5.00	\$125.00	\$25.00
Doubles	\$14.00	\$26.00	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Singles	\$7.00	\$ 13.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
All Events (AE) (Optional)	\$8.00				<u>\$ 8.00</u>
				Without AE*	\$75.00
				With AE*	\$83.00

\*If the bowler is not bowling in a 5 person team, they will owe \$50.00 total (singles and doubles)  
Assuming the 5 bowlers want to be included in all events, and the 6<sup>th</sup> bowler is not already on a 5 person team, the total payment would be equal to \$465.00 (\$83.00 \* 5 + \$50.00).

Prize ratio: One payment for every 5 entries in each event.

**The deadline to receive applications is February 14th, 2026.** You will be contacted by Brandon Koser, tournament director, when your application is received. You will receive confirmation of your session on or around the first two weeks of February.

## SESSION AVAILABILITY

### 1) Session A

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 9am on Saturday March 07, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 8am on Sunday March 08, 2026

### 2) Session B

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 2pm on Saturday March 07, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 1pm on Sunday March 08, 2025

### 3) Session C

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 9am on Saturday March 14, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 8am on Sunday March 15, 2026

### 4) Session D

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 2pm on Saturday March 14, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 1pm on Sunday March 15, 2026

### 5) Session E

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 9am on Saturday March 21, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 8am on Sunday March 22, 2026

### 6) Session F

- a. Bowls Singles and Doubles at 2pm on Saturday March 21, 2026
- b. Bowls Team at 1pm on Sunday March 22, 2026

- Sessions may be intermixed (if needed) but prefer to keep the way that sessions are written.
- Please note sessions A and B occur on Daylight Saving End Weekend

## Hotel Information

By using your moose membership you can get lower rates through Choice Hotels. If you visit [Travel Benefits | Moose International](#) and then select Williamsport, PA there are hotel choices for under \$100/night

### The Choice Hotels

Comfort Inn Williamsport  
1959 East 3rd Street  
Williamsport, PA 17701  
~ 12 miles from bowling alley

### Quality Inn and Suites Williamsport

1840 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Williamsport, PA 17701

~12 miles from bowling alley

**Econo Lodge Williamsport**

2019 E. Third Street

Williamsport, PA 17701

~12 miles from bowling alley

**Wyndham Hotels and Resorts**

234 Montgomery Pike US Highway 15

Williamsport, PA 17702

~12 miles from bowling alley

**Gamble Farm Inn and Suites**

311 N Main Street Jersey Shore PA

(570) 398-7275

\$99.00/night

Call to book, mention "moose bowling tournament"

\*all rooms are on 2nd and 3rd floors, also, there is no elevator. [www.gamblefarminn.com](http://www.gamblefarminn.com)

~5 miles from bowling alley