



The following is an excerpt from the MBA's By-Laws:

Applicants will be assigned to a class based on a composite of their sanctioned league averages.

- A Class - 221 averages and above (200 Zero Point)
- B Class - 214 - 220 averages (195 Zero Point)
- C Class - 204 - 213 averages (190 Zero Point)
- D Class - 195 - 203 averages (185 Zero Point)
- E Class - 186 - 194 averages (175 Zero Point)
- F Class - 176 - 185 averages (170 Zero Point)
- G Class - 175 and lower averages (165 Zero Point)

A plus/minus scoring system will be used to determine a bowler's position.

With the exception of the championship tournament, bowlers will qualify with one 4-game block. (The qualifying round of the championship tournament will consist of two 4-game blocks.)

At the completion of the qualifying rounds, the top **one third** of each class (rounded) will qualify for the semi-finals. In case of a tie for the bottom spot in any division, a 1 game roll-off will be held to break the tie. Class zero point will be used to determine the winner.

Prize ratio is one (1) out of three (3) entrants.

In the semi-finals, all bowlers will bowl one 4-game block (6 games in the championship) and begin from scratch. Bowlers competing in the semi-finals are now competing against the entire field. Again, the plus-minus scoring system is used. At the completion of the semi-finals, the final scores will be computed and the top 12 bowlers will advance to the match play finals.

Each member must check-in **at least forty-five (45) minutes** prior to the start of each shift if paying the day of the tournament. Members that have prepaid their entry may still check-in 30 minutes prior to the start of their shift. Failure to comply will result in a \$10 fine. Failure to show for a tournament without cancelling your reservation will result in a \$20 fine.

Blind Draw Doubles is open only to bowlers that bowled at least three (3) tournaments during the previous season OR bowlers that have bowled at least one (1) tournament during the current season. No new bowlers that have not bowled their first tournament or a previous member that has to re-submit their averages will be allowed to bowl in this tournament. Tournament sponsors may be given an exemption to this rule.

### **Dress Code**

All members must be neat, appropriate and clean in appearance. A collared shirt must be worn during competition. Mock turtlenecks must have a "sport" logo and must be tucked in. **Members may not wear jeans (denim) of any type, cargo pants, stretch pants, athletic apparel, shorts, or head wear.** Only dress, sports slacks, skirts or skorts (shorts with a skirt front) are permitted. **Shorts will not be permitted under any circumstances.** Failure to comply will result in fine up to \$25 (an additional \$5 fine for **each** successive offense) and/or **not being allowed to bowl.** New members may be given a "grace" for their first tournament only.

**Earplugs/headphones for iPods, mp3 players or cell phones may not be worn on the approaches while bowling.**

**No alcoholic beverages shall be consumed during the time you are bowling. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification from the tournament and forfeiture of entry fee.**

MBA By-Laws and schedule available on line at <http://www.mba300.com/>