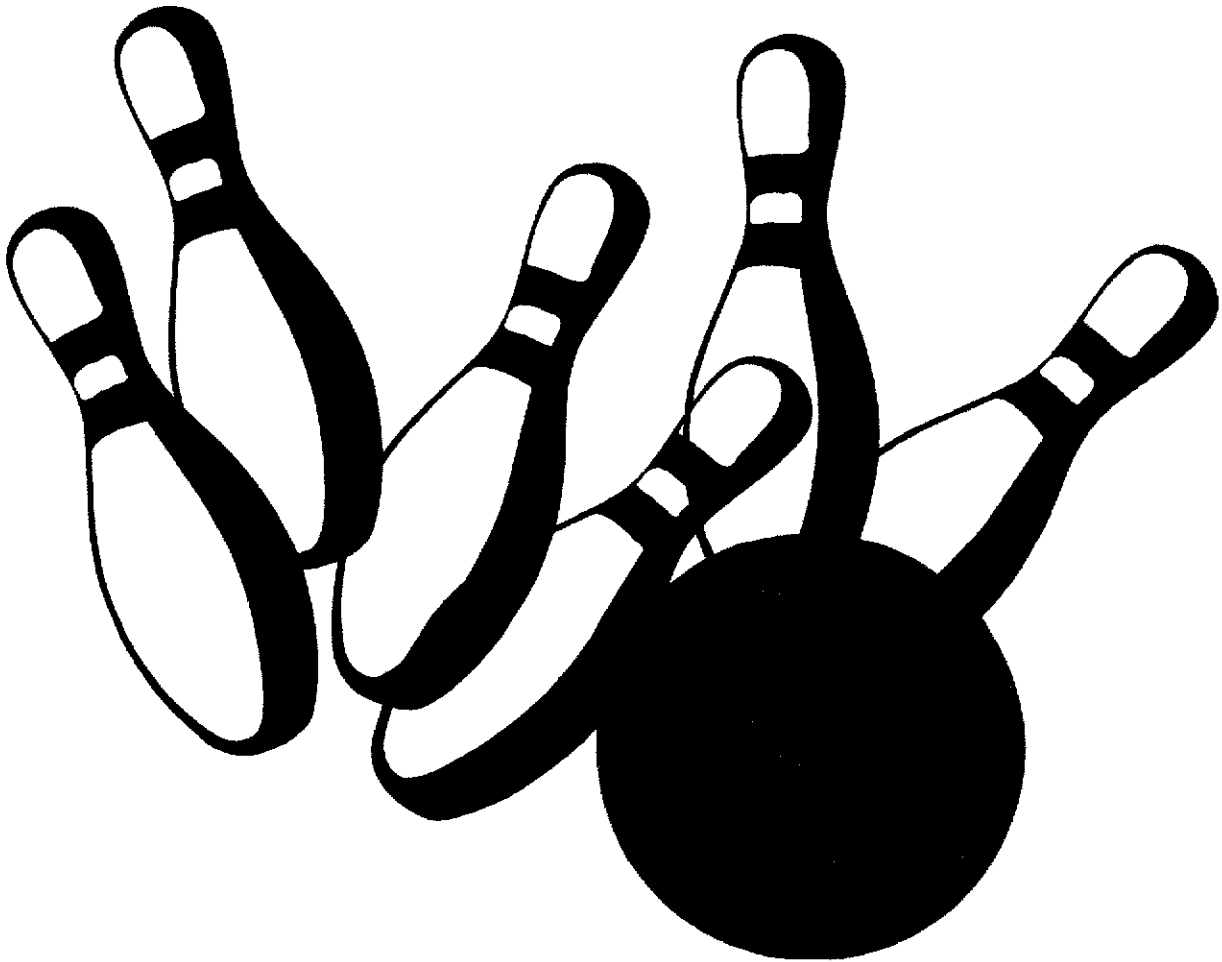


Section IX Bowling Handbook 2026-2027



Bowling
Important Dates
2026-2027

1. Rules Interpretation Meeting:

Date: Monday, November 9

Time: 7:00

Zoom: Link will be sent on Friday, November 6

2. Winter Start Date: November 16, 2026

3. Section Dates: Patel Lanes

Thursday, February 25 – Boys

Friday, February 26 – Girls

Snow Date – Monday, March 1

*Arrival Time: 8:30 am, begin bowling at 9:00

4. State Championship Dates: AMF Syracuse Lanes

Friday, March 12: **Division I:** 12:00 pm

Saturday, March 13: **Individual Championships:**

Girls begin at 8:00 am, Girls Playoffs @ 11:30 (Top 10)

Boys begin at 2:00 pm, Boys Playoffs @ 7:00 (Top 10)

Sunday, March 14: **Division II:** 9:00 am

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Section IX Bowling

By-Laws 2026-2027

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Rule 1: Management

The coaches of this league are the recommending body. Each team shall have one vote that is given to their Athletic Director. The Athletic Directors serve as the recommending body to Section IX Athletics.

Rule 2: Franchise

A school may participate in the following manner:

- Large school/small school separately
- Enter a separate boys varsity team and a separate girls varsity team
- Enter only a girls' varsity team
- Enter only a boys' varsity team
- Enter a co-ed varsity team

*If a girl bowls even one game on a boys' team, she must stay on the boys' team throughout the season.

*If a school has an individual bowler who wants to qualify for the Section 9 tournament and thereafter, the state championship, he/she must bowl six matches /18 games by themselves as a team.

Rule 3: Fees

1. Practice fees will be determined by each individual house.
2. Game Day: Agreement between schools that the home team pays for the visiting team's players. The visitors must agree to bring no more than eight players to an away competition

Spins Bowl Poughkeepsie / Spins Bowl Wappingers

Patel Kingston Lanes / Pin Street at Warwick

Tarsio Lanes Newburgh / Fishkill Bowl

Rule 4: Schedule

The boys and girls league will bowl a 16-18 match schedule. All matches will be bowled at the school's home site. When other schools arrive, matches begin. Sectionals for the boys and girls league will be held mid-February of each competition season. A match consists of 3 consecutive games. Maximum matches allowed by NYSPHSAA is 20. Any school can schedule additional matches, tournaments or scrimmages beyond the league scheduled 14 matches.

Rule 5: Legal Line – Up and Match Points

A team must have at least one bowler to compete! For matches teams will have 6 bowlers. Teams will bowl 3v3 on consecutive pair of lanes. Whichever team at the end of the game has the higher team total score wins the match and wins the point. After 3 games, the team with total pinfall wins 2 points for their team. Total possible points earned 5.

Rule 6: Interrupted Game

Should equipment failure occur, the match would be moved to another pair of lanes and resumed at the point of interruption. If this cannot be done, the match should be completed at a mutually agreed upon time, preferably before the next scheduled match.

Rule 7: Position standings

Standing shall be determined using a 5-point system. 1 point head-to-head per game. 2 points total pinfall.

Rule 8: Substitutions

Players may be substituted before the start of a game. Subs DO NOT throw practice balls prior to the start of their game. However, if a player is injured during a game, a substitute may replace him/her and continue the game from that point. The score is not credited to either bowler. Only 8 different bowlers may bowl during a contest.

Rule 9: Courtesy Rule

No practice bowling will be permitted within two hours of the start of a league match on the league scheduled lanes.

Rule 10: Tie for Division Championship (Sectional Play)

If two or more teams tie for the sectional tournament, the tie will be broken. 1 game roll off.

Rule 11: NYSPHSAA & USBC

The rules and regulations of NYSPHSAA and USBC.

All bowlers can be sanctioned by USBC.

Rule 12: Coaches Responsibilities

Team coach must initial each game. If there is a mistake, it will stand AS IS once the score is initialed. It is the coach's responsibility to make sure that their half of the score sheet is totaled and sent to the league coordinators.

Rule 13: Committees

Rules: All coaches should address any potential violations of rules with the coordinators. Any unsportsmanlike conduct should be reported to coaches overseeing this.

Rule 14: Qualifications for Sectionals

To qualify for sectionals each bowler must have 6 contests prior to the sectional tournament (regardless of average).

Rule 15: Qualifications for Individual State Championship Selection

6 bowlers qualify as individuals for the state tournament (non-team affiliated). Bowler must have bowled in at least 33 games during the year for their average to be eligible. Bowler can qualify as an individual as well as a member of the championship team.

Results- All results should be reported immediately following the game by the winning team to the league scorekeeper.

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PROCEDURE

Sectional Tournament

1. Type of Tournament-

1. The Section Champion will be determined after each Team has bowled 6 games. Whichever team has the highest pinfall after the 6 games is the Section Champion (this is for both Large and Small Schools)

2. Team Selection

* All teams will qualify for Sectional Tournament

In the event of a tie, the following criteria will be used, in consecutive order, to determine seed-rank

- (1) The winner of head-to-head competition
- (2) Overall total points divided by overall total games
- (3) Coin toss

Awards

There will be Overall Season Awards and Sectional Awards. The following categories will receive awards (in case of any ties with any individual awards, both bowlers will receive the award).

Overall Season: Boys/Girls- Only 1 winner for Both Divisions

High Average

High Game

High Series

Sectionals: Winners for Each Division based on Sectional Bowling

Individual

High Game

High Series

Team:

Each class winning team will receive Section 9 Plaque.

Each member of the winning team will receive a, medal and t-shirt

Unsportsmanlike Conduct Procedure: Section 9 is emphasizing the need for sportsmanship by all its athletes, coaches, parents, and spectators. Here are the steps involved:

1. First occurrence, Coach to Coach discussion, acknowledge the behavior and make adjustments to it.
2. Second occurrence, removal from match.

Bowling State Championship Classifications
2026-2027

Division I	Division II
Beacon	Highland
FDR	Marlboro
Kingston	O'Neill
Middletown	Port Jervis
Monroe Woodbury	Saugerties
NFA	
Poughkeepsie	

OCIAA Alignments
2026-2027

Section IX Bowling

Division I	Division II
Newburgh	Kingston
Monroe-Woodbury	FDR
Middletown	Saugerties
Beacon	Highland
Port Jervis	Marlboro
O'Neill	Poughkeepsie

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