

IHSB Rule Changes

CONFERENCE RULES:

1. WHO CONTROLS THE PROGRAM/TEAM?

Since this is a proprietor/center run program, the 'host' proprietor/center has the final say on how the program is run. He/she will work with their school(s). The proprietor/center is also ultimately responsible for financial obligations. If neither proprietor/center nor school are involved or interested, the coordinator along with the help of the commissioner can override a coach and make decisions for the good of the team and/or program if there are issues or concerns.

2. WHAT IF THERE IS INCLIMATE WEATHER?

Schools cannot be required to bowl or forfeit if the host school or any other school, in the conference, is not in session. The entire conference doesn't have to cancel for a few teams not in session, the majority can bowl. Schools granted a postponement should reschedule matches at the scheduled center. If lanes are not available, the match can be made up at an agreed site and time. If the weather clears in the afternoon, teams may agree to bowl.

3. WHAT ARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?

When a student transfers to a different school after he/she has started high school, a transfer form must be submitted and approved by the commissioner. After transferring, all bowlers must meet their new school's policy on grades and attendance for athletics.

4. CHANGES IN THE UNIFORM RULES.

The IHSB shirt program with Classic Products has been discontinued. However, we highly recommend you place your shirt orders with them. Also by placing your orders with Classic Products, you will not be required to obtain and pay \$25.00 for the rights to use the new IHSB logo being launched this season. The new logo will be required on any new shirt and ALL shirts must have the new logo by 2019-20.

5. NEW PANTS RULE.

'Yoga pants' and/or 'Skinny Jeans' are not allowed. Tight fitting, stretch/spandex type material pants are not allowed. (See Attachment)

6. USBC RULE #12, APPROACHES MUST NOT BE DEFACED.

The application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, talcum powder, pumice and resin on shoes, and/or soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach.

7. WHAT ARE THE SCHEDULE REQUIREMENTS?

Conferences may schedule more than one Baker game match, but they must schedule at least 5 regular matches (10 regular games).

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TOURNAMENT RULES:

8. TEAM QUALIFYING.

Regular team games will be dropped and qualifying will be 12 Baker games. (Advancement will be determined by the 12 game totals.) Teams will move after each game. Moves will be determined by house and field size.

9. WHAT'S THE PENALTY FOR TOO MANY PEOPLE IN THE BOWLERS' AREA DURING THE TEAM EVENT?

A team is allowed only 5 players and two coaches in the immediate bowlers' area during the team event (except when substituting). The tournament director needs to be informed of any violation and he/she will issue a verbal warning to the offending coaches. All future violations will result in 10 pin penalties.

10. HOW MANY COACHES ARE ALLOWED IN SINGLES?

Each singles player is allowed one coach during qualifying. Each player is allowed 2 coaches during a stepladder match. (The same warning and penalty process as in the team event applies.)

ALL-STATE TEAMS:

11. CRITERIA FOR ACADEMIC ALL-STATE.

Students need to score 1000 or above on the SAT Critical Reading and Math test or 23 or above on the ACT Test.

12. ALL-STATE NOMINATIONS.

The coach or coordinator should submit at least the top 3 averages from the conference. Until the team announcements have been made, the commissioner may add any bowler that has been missed. Conference ranking averages will be determined to the decimal. If there is a tie, the bowler with more games will receive the higher ranking.

13. BOWLER OF THE YEAR SELECTION.

If there is a tie with points, the tie will be broken by the finish at the finals. If there is still a tie, we will go to the higher finish at semi-finals, then regional and finally sectional.