

CENTRAL STATES WOMEN'S BOWLING ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS - 2013

ARTICLE I

1. The organization shall be known as CENTRAL STATES WOMEN'S BOWLING ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (CSWBAD), embracing the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Western New York, Eastern Missouri, Wisconsin, Eastern Iowa, Northern Kentucky, Western Pennsylvania, and the lower part of Ontario (Canada) from Windsor to Toronto.
2. The CSWBAD is formed for the following objectives:
 - a) To hold and conduct annually, a CSWBAD sanctioned tournament the same time as Central States Bowling Association of the Deaf (CSBAD) tournament.
 - b) This tournament shall determine the champions for the two-woman team, individual, the Oliasz (Queen) tournament, and all events.
 - c) This tournament is to be governed by the rules and regulations as outlined by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC). Other rules shall be added as seen as necessary.

ARTICLE II Membership

1. A regularly organized bowling team composed of deaf women who are members of any association of the deaf - city, state, or national - and who are qualified under the rules of the USBC, will also be eligible for membership in this organization.
2. The membership in the CSWBAD shall be five dollars (\$5.00) per year, payable with the entry fees. Membership dues shall go to the CSWBAD general fund.

ARTICLE III Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of: (a) Tournament Director; b) Assistant Tournament Director, c) two (2) members on the Law Committee; and c) all bowlers competing in the current tournament. Each member of the Board of Directors shall have one (1) vote.
2. This Board of Directors shall vest with the control and management of the annual tournament, and by a majority vote may delegate its authority in whole or in part of the CSBAD Executive Board.
3. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held in the tournament city at the location of CSBAD's (men's) board of directors meeting during the progress of the tournament, at which time, the Tournament Director may designate, and at such meetings.

ARTICLE IV Officers

1. The Tournament Director shall be elected by the ballot at the meeting of the Board of Directors for a term of three (3) years. Her term shall begin February 1st following the CSWBAD tournament.
2. The Law Committee of the two (2) women from any state within CSWBAD's region shall be appointed by the Tournament Director with the approval of the CSBAD Executive Board for the current tournament.
3. The Auditing Committee of two (2) women shall be appointed by the Tournament Director. They must be USBC members and shall be from the local area of the CSBAD Tournament Director's residence.
4. Any officer who has not bowled during the current season for good reason shall be allowed to remain on the Board with the approval of the CSBAD Executive Board.
5. For the interested bowlers to run for the office, she shall meet the eligibility requirements: three (3) years as bowler in the CSWBAD tournament and is in good standing in order to run for office.

ARTICLE V Duties of Officers

1. The Tournament Director shall fill any vacancies that occur between meetings with the approval of the CSBAD Executive Board.
2. The Tournament Director shall keep true copies of record of all proceedings of all CSBAD meetings of the association and of the CSBAD Executive Board. She shall also keep a record of the top scores and of the disbursements of the year from the CSBAD Tournament Director.
3. The Tournament Director has the full power to make all the decisions not contrary to USBC or to the tournament rules. She has the reserved right to reject any entry.
4. The host Chairperson of the current tournament shall foresee the necessary arrangements for the tournament, including three (3) copies of a contract of the said bowling establishment; with one (1) copy being mailed each the CSBAD Tournament Director and the CSWBAD Tournament Director.
5. The Law Committee of the two (2) women shall assist the Tournament Director revising the Association Constitution and Bylaws. They shall attend the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The Tournament Director shall designate the meetings and location, which will be determined by CSBAD for the Law Committee and shall invite the next year tournament Chairlady.
6. The Auditing Committee of two (2) local women shall properly audit the books of CSWBAD under CSBAD Secretary/Treasurer's supervision, shall be allowed sufficient time in which to make its report, and shall meet with the Secretary/Treasurer in making the audit.

ARTICLE VI
Compensation and Expenses

1. The CSBAD Tournament Director shall receive as compensation during his term in office the sum of sixty-five cents (\$.65) from each bowler in each event entered. This shall come from the CSWBAD tournament expenses fees.
2. The two (2) law committee members for the duties at the tournament shall be reimbursed \$20 (twenty dollars) for their services, which is drawn out of the CSWBAD general fund.
3. The two (2) auditors shall be paid ten dollars (\$10.00) each to be drawn out of the CSWBAD general fund.
4. The postages and copies for CSWBAD will be reimbursed to the CSBAD Tournament Director shall be drawn out of the CSWBAD general fund.

ARTICLE VII
Meetings

1. The annual CSBAD/CSWBAD Board of Directors meeting shall be held in the tournament city at the hotel headquarter during the progress of a tournament on Friday night of November.
2. The Law Committee members and the Tournament Director shall meet on Friday afternoon-at a place determined by the Tournament Director.

ARTICLE VIII
Amendments

1. The Constitution, the Bylaws, and rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the Board of Directors. This is done at the annual meeting, provided that such amendments shall be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director not more than thirty (30) days before the tournament date.

ARTICLE IX
Declination

1. In the event, if the number of CSWBAD doubles is less than ten (10), the CSWBAD will be suspended for that year and will resume the following year. The entry fees will be refunded fully will resume the following year.

ARTICLE X
Dissolution

1. If there is the Central States Deaf Bowling Association of the Deaf dissolution, the monies in the general fund shall be divided among the previous host cities. The Executive Board will consider the number of times a host city hosted the CSWBAD tournaments.

ARTICLE XI
Host City

1. The CSWBAD annual tournament shall coincide with that of the CENTRAL STATES BOWLING ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (CSBAD) where the CSBAD makes its decision of the site of the next tournament.
2. Upon winning the host bid, the organization sponsoring the tournament (host organization) shall pay the host fee of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) to the Tournament Director in five (5) years before the tournament date. Of this sum, one hundred (\$100.00) shall go to the general fund, one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) continue into the prize fund, and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be insured to cover the host's good standing on the purpose of sending at least one team to the next CSWBAD tournament for one year preceding the host tournament. Interest earnings shall benefit the general fund.
3. The host organization shall provide first place prize money for the Doubles and Singles events, based on the number of bowlers in both events, at ten dollars (\$10.00) per head. Change to \$10.00 per bowler for double event and \$5.00 per bowler for single event.
4. CSWBAD will pay the host the \$5.00 (five dollars) registration fee from each bowler. The bowlers ballroom charges will be broken down as follows: one-third (1/3) to the actual prize fund and two-thirds (2/3) be returned to the host.
5. The host city shall provide an USBC-sanctioned establishment having at least twenty-four (24) lanes.
6. The host organization is required to send at least one (1) double with (2) bowlers being a member of the host club to the CSWBAD tournament annually, starting the year after winning the host bid and continuing until the year after their host tournament, effective the following year. A fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be levied to a host team, each missed year, which fail to participate in any CSWBAD tournament.
7. Two (2) nights lodging for the Tournament Director shall be furnished and be paid by the host organization.
8. The host organization shall donate the trophies, in the form of plaques to the winner(s) of each actual pin fall event.
9. The host will pay ten dollars (\$10.00) per head for the 1st (first) place in Oliasz Championship event.
10. The host chairperson of the tournament committee shall report of its progress to the CSBAD Executive Board of this association, beginning the December 1st preceding its tournament.
11. The host organization shall print the schedule of the tournament in the form of the program books. Included in the book shall be:
 - 1) Schedule of all events (doubles, singles, and Oliasz tournament);
 - 2) Unofficial recapitulation report; and
 - 3) A record of previous winners and history of officers

ARTICLE XII
SECTION 1 / BOWLERS

1. No bowler is eligible to compete more than once in any event.
2. Senior citizen bowlers (age 55 and up) may have an option of paying at least five dollars (\$5.00) for the special events (all events).
3. No individual bowler shall be entitled to a refund after the entry blank and the CSBAD Tournament Director has received fees. In case of illness or death, a bowler or team may be replaced anytime before the tournament.
4. All teams and individuals entered this tournament must be ready to bowl when scheduled. Tournament play will not be delayed for reason, such as nonappearance of the participants. Anyone who is late, shall be penalized with score zero (0) for the frames missed, upon her arrival on the lanes, no catching up will be permitted according to the USBC Rule 322.a.
5. Any complaints, protest, and contestations as to scores bowled, shall be made within six (6) hours after the game, in writing to the Tournament Director. It is to be taken up with the CSBAD Executive Board. No changes, collections of any kind shall be solicited or attempted otherwise.
6. Jeans are permitted as long as it is not torn or faded. No T-shirts with offensive or vulgar words will be allowed. Skirts and shorts length should be no more than three (3) inches above knees.

SECTION 2 / AVERAGE

1. All prizes shall be awarded on a handicap basis of **80 percent (80%)** of the difference between the bowler's average and scratch being 200. No individual bowler shall have a handicap of more than **60 (sixty)** pins per game in any event.
A bowler's average shall be verified by the CSBAD Tournament Director.
2. Average for entrants will be based on one of the following:
An entrant has established USBC yearbook average from last year shall be used for the tournament average.
 - b) If no average from last year USBC yearbook, an entrant shall use the current average based on at least 15 games before the deadline entry forms before the line up (verified by the league secretary and a copy of the league's weekly standing sheet attached to the form).
 - c) If no established average for the previous season and this season, the entrant will go with an average of minus 25 (-25) from the current scratch average (200).
 - d) Rule 319e is waived.
3.
 - a) The CSBAD Tournament Director reserves the right to re-rate averages submitted by the contestants who have qualified for a prize of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or more from CSWBAD tournament to CSWBAD tournament.
 - b) The re-rating system shall be: 170 and over - 1 pin; 165 to 169 - 2 pins; 160 to 164 - 3 pins; 155 to 159 - 4 pins; 150 to 154 - 5 pins; and 149 and below - 6 pins.

SECTION 3 / CSWBAD Oliasz Tournament (Queen)

1. The Central States Women Deaf Handicap Oliasz Tournament is held in conjunction with the annual CSWBAD tournament, is conducted on handicap basis, and is open to all CSWBAD bowlers who enter all events (doubles, and singles). The Oliasz Tournament should be held at the same establishment where all events (doubles and singles) are held. This tournament is conducted as the USBC Queen except that qualifying round is limited to three (3) games. The top 16 (sixteen) qualifiers will bowl in the match play rounds in either double elimination system or stepladder system.
2. The rules of USBC will govern all play plus the following general rules are:
 - a) The minimum entry fee shall be \$35.00 (thirty dollars) with a breakdown of \$20.00 (twenty dollars) for the prize fund and \$15.00 (fifteen dollars) to the expenses fee and must be paid with the entry forms before the deadline. A late entry fee of five dollars (\$5.00) will be charged after the deadline and will be preceded to the Oliasz's prize fund.
 - b) The prize fund will be returned 100%.
 - c) The qualifying round will be three (3) games across six (6) lanes. All games will be counted completely.
 - d) Based on 32 or more bowlers entered:
A total of sixteen (16) highest qualifiers will advance to the match play finals. Pairings will be to the positions of the qualifying round results with the highest qualifier against 9th; 2nd highest against 10th; 3rd highest against 11th; 4th highest against 12th; 5th highest against 13th; 6th highest against 14th; 7th highest against 15th, and 8th highest against 16th.
Based on 31 or less bowlers entered:
A total of sixteen (16) highest qualifiers will advance to the stepladder finals by bowling two (2) more games. A total of eight (8) highest five-game qualifiers will advance to the next step and bowl one (1) game, which totals six (6) games. The four (4) highest six-game qualifiers will advance into the final round using the position, 4th against 3rd, 3rd against 2nd, 2nd against 1st.
 - e) If there are any tied bowlers in the tournament, a roll-off game of a full game shall be made to determine the winner.
 - f) The tournament director shall reserve the right to refuse entries for some reasons.
 - g) The handicap shall be limited to **40 pins per game based on 80% of 200 scratches.**
 - h) Oliasz winners shall receive prize monies on Saturday night at the ballroom. If any winners do not show up, the prize monies will be mailed within thirty (30) days.
3. The Tournament Director of CSWBAD will be paid sixty-five (.65) cents per head (with the authority by the CSBAD Tournament Director).

SECTION 4 / PRIZES

1. The prize ratio is one for each four entries (1:4) except in the all events prizes. The all events prize ratio is one for each ten entries (1:10).
2. All prizes fees are to be returned 100%.

