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# 2009-10 GIRLS BOWLING

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Changes from the 2008-09 Bowling Regulations are indicated in bold type and shaded.

### State Championships

**February 5-6, 2010**

**Narrows Plaza Bowl, University Place**

**Sanctioning:** This tournament will be conducted under the auspices of the WIAA and the United States Bowling Congress (USBC.) The tournament lanes must be certified by USBC.

**Practice Rounds:** Practice may be allowed at the bowling facility prior to the start of the tournament. Any expenses involved with practice will be paid by the school participating at the facility. One to two lanes may be available for limited warm up during the event.

**Entries/Allocations:** Team allocations are made to each WIAA district.

**Team Definition:** A team roster shall consist of no more than seven (7) bowlers with five (5) bowling at any given time during any game.

### **STATE TOURNAMENT FORMAT:**

The tournament will consist of two (2) days of competition. The first day of competition will consist of Individual and Team Competition. Individuals will be awarded on the first day.

Individual Qualifiers: Each WIAA District team allocation will be multiplied by a factor of two (2) to determine the individual qualifying places for each District qualifying meet; i.e. 1 allocation = 2 individuals, etc. Individual qualifiers come from teams that do not qualify for the state tournament.

All individual competitors and teams will bowl six regular games on the first day with total pin count used to determine the individual champion. Individuals must bowl all six games to be eligible for the individual title. The top eight individuals will be awarded medals.

All eight teams will qualify for the second day of competition.

A round robin format will be utilized on the second day. Each team will bowl 14 Baker games. The total pin count from day one and two will be used to determine the top four teams that will receive trophies.

- Ties

Following the final round of competition on Friday if there is a tie for the final position, the teams that are tied at the end of the second round will bowl a Baker game to break the tie. If the teams are still tied after the Baker tiebreak game, a second Baker tiebreak game will be played. This process will continue until the tie has been broken.

If the top two teams are tied at the end of the Baker round on Saturday, a Baker game between the two teams will be played to break the tie. The process will continue until there is a winner.

- **Baker Format:** The Baker system format places emphasis on the team effort rather than individual accomplishment of team members. All team members follow each other in regular order to bowl a single game. For a 5-player team, Player #1 bowls frames 1 and 6; #2 bowls 2 and 7; #3 bowls 3 and 8; #4 bowls 4 and 9 and, #5 bowls the 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> frames. The order of bowling is set by the coach and may be adjusted at the conclusion of any game. The combined effort of the team constitutes a game.
2. Scoring: Team Scores will be determined by adding the scores from the five bowlers for each team per game, with a running tally posted.
  3. Scoring Procedure: Scoring cards shall be given to the coach of each competing team (one card for each game).
    - a. Coaches shall sign the score cards game-by-game to validate the score.
    - b. The score cards must be submitted by the coach to the tournament manager after each game.
    - c. The combined totals from day one and day two will be added together for the state tournament grand total. The teams with the four highest grand total scores will receive trophies.
    - d. Ties – If the top two teams are tied at the end of the second round, a Baker game between the two teams will be played to break the tie. If the teams are still tied after the Baker tiebreak game a second Baker tiebreak game will be played. This process will continue until there is a winner.
    - e. Individual Awards – The top eight individuals will be awarded medals.

#### **Tournament Rules:**

1. Coaches: Each qualified team may have no more than two coaches behind the bowlers' settee seating area.
2. Practice: Fifteen (15) minutes will be allowed for practice balls – 7½ minutes on the starting lane and 7½ minutes on the opponent's lane. This practice shall take place prior to the beginning of a round.
3. Order of Competition
  - a. The rotation order of teams will be determined by a draw conducted by the WIAA staff and/or the tournament manager.
  - b. Lane Assignments: Teams will be assigned using a USBC lane rotation schedule for the number of teams in the competition.
  - c. The order of competitors on each team will be determined by the coach.
4. Handling and Altering of ball Surface
  - a. The ball may not be removed from the establishment during the competition.
  - b. The surface of the ball may not be altered by the use of abrasives at any time during the competition.
  - a. The use of approved cleaning agents such as isopropyl-rubbing alcohol and polishing machines is permissible between session two and session three.

5. Open substitutes: Open substitutions are allowed at any time during a regular game. If a substitute enters in the middle of a game, the substitute must assume the score of the competitor she is replacing. The score will not be assigned to anyone and the original competitor can not re-enter the game. All substitutions shall be noted on the score card.
6. Uniform: All players and coaches shall appear in appropriate matching tops and bottoms for their school's bowling uniform. Slacks, hemmed shorts, skirts and collared sport shirts with a commercially lettered school name and logo on the back are acceptable team apparel. **ATHLETES MAY NOT COMPETE IN JEANS.** Individual names can appear on the front of the shirt only. No hats shall be worn. All team members must be similarly dressed.
7. Conduct of Coaches and Players
  - a. The coach shall be the official representative of the team in all communications with the tournament officials.
  - b. Two coaches and the five bowlers bowling in a round are the only persons authorized to be in the area immediately surrounding the scorers' table. No person except the bowlers who are bowling shall be permitted in the settee seating or lane playing area.