

# BOWLING

**PARTICIPATION:** Athletes may compete in only one event. To qualify for Sports Classic in bowling the athlete **MUST** place 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in a regional competition. In all SONE competitions bowlers are required to switch lanes. Mixed gender doubles and teams will participate in the male division.

**SONE requires a copy of the bowlers 15 game average to be in the possession of the coach at the Regional and State competitions. If a protest is filed and the coach cannot locate the above stated document within 15 minutes they will lose the protest. SONE recommends that coaches receive a print out from a bowling alley verifying scores.**

**SOI RULE CHANGE –For teams and doubles, bowlers who do not start and complete at least 1 frame will receive their average minus 10 pins. Bowlers who become ill or are injured during a game and cannot continue will receive 1/10<sup>th</sup> of their average per remaining frame. Single bowlers will not be scratched until the end of the third frame. Bowlers arriving late will receive 0 pins for all missed frames.**

SONE understands that many teams cannot afford to purchase Bowling Shirts and casual slacks for their bowlers. SONE will allow bowlers to wear jeans, provided they are clean with no holes and Team T-shirts, Henley style shirts or bowling shirts. Athletes NOT properly dressed will be disqualified from the event.

All members of teams and doubles **MUST** wear the same colored shirts. A 10 point deduction from the athlete's scores will result if this attire policy is not followed.

Substitute bowlers will not be used. Awards will not be awarded to absent bowlers.

At Regional and SONE competitions scratch scores will be used. Scratch score is the athlete's raw bowling score.

Ramp bowlers must use a ramp every frame of every game and they must switch lanes.

International Olympics Committee (IOC) rules state that no advertising is permitted on either the equipment used in nor on the uniforms and/or numbers worn by contestants and officials in Olympic Games, other than the normal commercial markings on retail goods; in fact, nothing may be worn on the uniforms of contestants or a person with an official function, except the flag or emblem of the National Olympic Committee as approved by the IOC. SONE has been granted a waiver to allow athletes/partners to use bowling balls with appropriate logos.