

# 2024 Bel-Air Bowl / TBS+ / Storm King of the Hill Series Playing Rules

1. Sanctioning: This will be a Handicap USBC Certified Event bowled on house conditions. USBC Youth bowlers are eligible to compete in this event, provided they are in compliance with USBC Rule 400, which states that all prizes awarded be in the form of a scholarship and the youth signs the USBC Singles Competition Waiver. Youth bowlers are ineligible to win the King of the Hill Prize Pack, as its value exceeds the \$500 prize limit stated in USBC Rule 400.

2. Handicap: 80% of 220 based upon higher of the following: **2023 King of the Hill average or highest 2023-2024 league average with a minimum of 54 games.** Maximum score allowed per game with handicap is 300. Bowlers will use their current tournament average after 12 games have been bowled. 10-pin average drop rule is in effect. **All 1st week & new bowlers need to provide average verification or will bowl scratch until the week after 12 tournament games have been bowled.**

3. Dates and Times: There will be 11 weeks of tournament bowling open to any USBC certified bowler Starting May 20, 2024 at 7pm. Practice is at 6:50pm. **No bowling on the following dates: May 27th.** The 12th week, August 12th, will be a 24 person head to head double elimination match to determine the King of the Hill Champion for 2024.

4. Fees: The entry fee is \$35.00 per person each week and is distributed as follows: \$10.00 bowling expenses, \$15.00 nightly payouts, \$10.00 last night payout. Nightly payouts are 1 in 4. Last week payouts are 1 in 1. All prize money will be returned 100%.

## 5. Nightly Format:

a. Qualifying Round: All bowlers will bowl 5 games across 10 lanes, moving after each game at the Tournament Director's discretion. After 5 games, the field will be cut to the top 8. In the event of a tie for the final advancing spot, affected bowlers will roll a 1 game play-in match before the elimination round. In the event of a tie for seeds 1-7, tiebreakers will be as follows:

- i. High Handicap Game, Max 300
- ii. High Scratch Series
- iii. 9th & 10th frame roll-off on neutral pair

b. Elimination Round: Top 8 bowlers will then bowl in a single elimination, seeded bracket-style playoff to determine the winner for the evening. Bowlers will get two practice balls on each lane prior to each match. Higher seed has choice of starting lane. Tie games will be decided by best ball, with higher seed choosing starting lane. Handicap is used, but max score per ball is still 10. When a bowler loses, they are done.

c. King of the Hill Grudge Match: Beginning in week 2 and ending in week 13, the weekly winner will bowl a one game Grudge Match against the previous week's winner for the weekly title of King of the Hill and a \$30 cash bonus. In the event the previous week's winner is not present, the weekly winner will automatically receive the \$30 bonus and King of the Hill weekly title.

6. Final Week Format: Bowlers must compete in at least 6 or more of the 11 weeks to be eligible, regardless of how they may qualify. The final night will cost \$35.00 (\$10.00 lineage \$25.00 prize fund). The final 24 are determined by taking all eligible weekly winners, plus filling the available spots in the field with the top remaining non-winning point earners. In the event a bowler cannot participate in the last week event, the spot will go to the next highest ranked bowler based on points. In the event of a tie for the final entry position, tiebreakers are as follows: most weeks bowled, most nightly events won, two game "play in" round at the beginning of the night. **The TBS+ Staff Position will be awarded to the winner of the King of the Hill Championship Finals.** The winner will receive a TBS+ shirt, discounts on all brands of Storm bowling products and possible early access to brands of Storm new releases. This position will be valid from Aug. 12, 2024 - Aug. 11, 2025. Should the winner decline the position, for whatever reason, it will be awarded to the next highest finisher in the Championship Finals.

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## THE POINTS SYSTEM

### END OF SEASON TOP 24 DOUBLE ELIMINATOR QUALIFIERS

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Up to 11 Weekly Winners w/ minimum of 6 weeks played      Top 11+ point earners w/o a win w/ minimum of 8 weeks played

### NIGHTLY FINAL BRACKET PTS.

Bonus points for nightly final bracket standings:

- 1st: 200 points
- 2nd: 150 points
- 3rd - 4th: 100 pts.
- 5th - 8th: 75 pts.

### NIGHTLY QUALIFYING POINTS

1 Point for each bowler ranked below you after game 5

*Rewards those who bowl well, but may not make the cut to the bracket.*

Ex. 1st place after 5 with 50 bowlers will earn 49 points. 2nd - 48pts. 49th - 1pt.

**Top Qualifier after 5 will also earn 25 bonus points.**

### WEEKLY PARTICIPATION POINTS

5 points times # of weeks played

*Rewards those who compete frequently*

Ex. 1st week bowled = 5 pts. earned for that week

2nd week bowled = 10 pts. for that week

up to 13th week bowled = 65 pts. for that week

### HIGH GAME / SERIES POINTS

50 points for each 300 game

25 points for each 290-299 game

50 points for ea. 800 series (gms 1-3 or bracket)

25 points for ea. 750-799 series (gms 1-3 or bracket)