

BOWLING ETIQUETTE AND SAFETY



ATTENTION

Bowling lanes are covered with a clear layer of oil and are very slippery. DO NOT intentionally cross the foul line onto the lane surface for any reason. Call the counter for assistance.

The area under and around the pins and pinspotters are also very dangerous. Access to this area is restricted to trained employees. Anyone intentionally entering these areas will be arrested for trespassing and held responsible for any damage to the lane surface and pinspotter.

Management

Safety:

If you should accidentally slide or fall across the foul line, please remove your shoes because the lanes are covered with a clear layer of oil and having this oil get on your shoes and the approach can be extremely dangerous to you and other bowlers. Wipe off the oil on the bottoms of your shoes before you put them back on and call the desk for assistance to wipe up any oil on the approach.

No Street Shoes in Settee Area!

Street shoes in the settee area can cause very dangerous conditions to the bowler. Street shoes often can be wet, sticky and dirty due to outside conditions. Tracking these elements into the settee area can cause bowling shoes to become slippery, sticky and gritty. Having this brought up

on the approaches can be a hazard to bowlers that could cause a fall and injury. Bowlers leaving the settee area while bowling should remove their bowling shoes or cover the shoes so as not to get any sort of residue on the shoes. During wet/snowy weather bowlers should keep their street shoes behind the concourse tables (away from lanes) to keep melting snow and rain from getting on the carpet near the bowlers' area.

ETIQUETTE and sportsmanship are winning partners in any sport. In the game of bowling, a code of etiquette has been established and accepted by bowlers everywhere. Few of its rules are official, but bowlers should be courteous and give consideration at all times to the rights of other participants, including avoiding delaying the game by taking unnecessary time.

ETIQUETTE RULE #1

Prepare to take your turn promptly on the lane. Be ready to bowl when the pins are set.

ETIQUETTE RULE #2

Don't take too long to aim or get set up when you are on the approach.

ETIQUETTE RULE #3

Stay on your own approach at all times. Return to the back of the approach after making each delivery.

ETIQUETTE RULE #4

Do not use another player's ball, except with his/her permission.

ETIQUETTE RULE #5

Play the game to win, but be a gracious loser if you are on the short end when the game is over.

ETIQUETTE RULE #6

Observe one lane courtesy. The bowler on the right should bowl if both reach the approach at the same time. Step to the back of the approach while you wait and indicate to the adjacent bowler that you are going to bowl after s/he does.

ETIQUETTE RULE #7

Good bowling requires concentration. Bowlers should always keep in mind that when others are preparing to bowl, excessive noise could be distracting to them. When a player is ready to bowl, give him/her the courtesy of making their shot without any interference, as you want the same courtesy when it's your turn to bowl.

ETIQUETTE RULE #8

Be ready to bowl, but wait until the pinspotter has completed its cycle and the sweep bar is raised, otherwise you may damage the ball or machine.

ETIQUETTE RULE #9

Respect the equipment. Getting the ball out on the lane is good bowling, but lofting hurts your game and damages the lane.