

# USBC Adult Basic Membership

Bowlers competing in short-season leagues can purchase a USBC Adult Basic membership.

Available for bowlers who compete in leagues that have 16 or fewer sessions, the membership's total cost of \$11.00 covers local, state, and national dues and provides a USBC-certified average so bowlers can compete in local, state, and national tournaments.

In addition to the league having 16 or fewer sessions, the league must designate as a "short-season" league, and in doing so, the league's prize fund will be bonded. **Each USBC Adult Basic membership will be good only for one league**, which means if a bowler wants to participate in another short-season league — even as a substitute — he/she would have to purchase another USBC Adult Basic membership or upgrade to a USBC Adult Standard membership.

While bowlers applying for a USBC Adult Basic membership need to complete a printed membership application card, actual printed membership cards will not be distributed by USBC for Adult Basic members. Instead, they may view and print their card, which will be available on the *BOWL.com* Web site. High score achievements will be recognized and officially recorded by USBC, but awards such as rings and plaques are not included in the USBC Adult Basic membership. Members do have the option to purchase high score awards.

Bowlers with a current Adult Standard membership would not be required to purchase a USBC Adult Basic membership to compete in a short-season league and would be eligible for honor score awards earned in the league.

**For Commonly Asked Questions about the USBC Adult Basic Membership:**  
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