

National Senior League (NSL) Instructions for Spring 2026

Starting the Season

- Protect your scorebook link like a password. Anyone with the link can add, change, and delete scores.
- Update community and coach information including alternate contacts for weekends and evenings.
- Returning communities will receive a pre-initialized file with contact and team rosters from a prior season.
- Add, change, or delete teams and team rosters with 4 regular bowlers and up to 4 subs.
- Subs may be added and deleted throughout the season but **must** stay on the team after scores are posted.
- There is no limit how many teams a bowler may be assigned to as a regular or as a sub.
- Make sure bowlers on more than one team roster are on all rosters with the same name spelling.
- Bowlers on more than one team will have the same composite average and handicap calculated every team.

During the season:

- Enter scores for each of two games per week for any combination of up to four bowlers per team.
- If less than four scores are posted, then missing bowler credit is given top down in roster order as listed.
- Leave missing bowler score blank for automatic score credit, which will be their average minus 10 pins.
- Scorebooks are locked each week and imported to process. Attempts to alter locked cells are ignored.
- Contact the League Secretary **before Noon on Monday** to request prior week late scores or corrections.

Sample Community Scorebook for Fleet Landing

AE	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE							
1	3/30/2026 11:05	Bowling Score Master Data Entry																								NSL26s National Senior League Spring 2026		Margaret Carr, Janice Flock, Jim LeBlanc		www.fleetlanding.com/fleet1@gmail.com/league		804-246-9900 x1243, 804-228-7373, 81		© 2026 Walter Kraslawsky, All rights reserved.	
2	17	Fleet Landing										Atlantic Beach, FL																							
3	Out NSL26s Reports																																		
4	New NSL26s Reports																																		
5	Enter rosters and scores before show list date	do NOT miss the scoring entry deadline. At least 4 scores is required per game to avoid forfeiting the game.																																	
6	Season Begins	Enter 2 startup scores each week											Conference Weeks											Playoff Weeks											
7	February 28, 2026	for each bowler to establish averages																																	
8		Feb 28 -Mar 6		Mar 7 -Mar 13		Mar 14 -Mar 20		Mar 21 -Mar 27		Mar 28 -Apr 3		Apr 4 -Apr 10		Apr 11 -Apr 17		Apr 18 -Apr 24		Apr 25 -May 1		May 2 -May 8		May 9 -May 15		May 16 -May 22		May 23 -May 29									
9	Webowlers																																		
10	Sandy Taylor	235	171	170	203	507	872	329	848																										
11	Kathy Vanderbeck	244	246	193	218	268	214	247	269																										
12	Karen LeBlanc	222	247	214	190	184	202	212	211																										
13	Jim LeBlanc	258	290	247	256	245	276	258	258																										
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20	Lucky Strikers																																		
21	Jim LeBlanc	268	220	211	259	277	258	300	279																										
22	Walter Kraslawsky	199	289	235	244	236	247	248	214																										
23	Karen LeBlanc	231	224	279	226	215	257	247	265																										
24	Nancy Stein	191	227	208	224	200	189	177	185																										
25	Jim Joyner																																		
26	Kathy Vanderbeck																																		
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30	Sea Miss																																		
31	Dick Sturtevant	185	253	207	242	181	246	162	215																										
32	Karen Sturtevant	204	181	204	258	196	216	206	208																										
33	John Neuhart	223	169	186	174	199	181	177	176																										
34	Eric Haeseler	151	148	152	171	147	153	180	152																										
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40	Rolling Pins																																		
41	Jim Joyner	257	257	280	237	238	280	268	258																										

National Senior League (NSL) Competition Format

Phase 1: Startup, all bowlers including subs establish starting average during the first two weeks.

- Each team has 4 regulars bowlers and up to 4 subs that may be added later.
- Bowlers may be on multiple teams, either regular or sub, with no limit to the number of teams for any bowler.

- Bowler average is a composite of every game bowled on any team including startup weeks.
- If a bowler is on multiple teams, carefully make sure the same name spelling is used for every team.
- The team average is calculated each week as the average of the regular bowlers (not subs) on the roster.

Phase 2: Conference Round Robins, 8 teams over 7 weeks.

- All teams are grouped by startup week average into 8-team conferences.
- Each team is scored round robin against each other team in their conference.
- Scoring is +2 pts per game for 2 games and +1 pt for total, with max +5 pts per week.
- Teams with the most points are awarded Conference Champion recognition.

Phase 3: Division Playoff Single Eliminations, 7 divisions over 4 weeks.

- All teams are regrouped by their then-current average into 7 divisions for the playoffs.
- The top 8 teams are assigned to Division 1 and begin their quarterfinal playoff competition.
- The remaining teams are distributed into Divisions 2-7 and begin with a single elimination free-for-all.
- Each Division 2-7 top 8 highest scores in the free-for-all then begin their quarterfinal playoff competition.
- The Finalists in each division 1-8 will earn an etched glass trophy for Champion and Finalist recognition.

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Bowling Technology Considerations

NSL encourages communities to foster fun and camaraderie using any available bowling software or technology. However, each technology produces scores using different devices and physics, resulting in incompatible outcomes. Accepting multiple source types would be like mixing scores from bowling alleys and arcade pinball machines. All coaches are asked to certify that all teams in their community competing in this tournament are using Wii consoles.

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There are two Honor System rules:

Rule #1: Practice as often as you like. However, decide BEFORE the first ball of a new game if it is for practice or for posting for the tournament. If it is for the tournament, choose which team members are competing, then count the next 10 frames for better or worse. Do not reset a bad start. Do not bowl extra games to record the best games. Do not drop out before frame 10 to get a better missing bowler score.

Rule #2: Play at your highest skill level without sandbagging. Do not bowl less than your best ability for any reason such as reducing your average to get a higher handicap against future opponents, or to try to drop your team to a less competitive category against future opponents.

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