
Chapter Four: Membership and Dues

This chapter explains the processing of membership dues.

Section A. Dues – State/Local

Each state/local association will determine the amount of adult state/local adult dues for its members. This amount may not exceed those maximums established by the USBC delegates. In addition:

1. Associations who service men and women must charge the same local association dues amount to men and women.
2. Youth members, who also buy an adult membership, in a merged local association will pay full local/state adult dues or the association may waive all or part of its local adult dues. (Refer to Rule 400 for youth eligibility.)
3. Associations will accept payment of annual membership dues in any form approved by USBC Headquarters.

Section B. Distribution of State Dues

State dues shall be distributed by USBC Headquarters as follows:

1. Merged State – All youth and adult dues go to the merged state association.
2. Non-merged State
 - a. Youth dues go to state youth association.
 - b. Men's dues go to state BA.
 - c. Women in a merged local association choose the state WBA, BA or both. If choosing both, she must pay the corresponding dues for both.*
 - d. Women in a non-merged local association will pay the corresponding state dues.*
3. Merged and Non-Merged Youth State
 - a. Adult dues go to merged state.
 - b. If merged state and youth association are competing — youth choose the merged, youth only or both. If choosing both, they must pay the appropriate dues for both.**
 - c. If merged state and youth association are not competing — youth dues go to youth state.

Definition:

* *Women who join the local and state WBA and also want to bowl in the BA must join the local and state BA and vice versa.*

** *Merged with a youth association: Merged associations represent men, women and youth and youth associations represent youth in the same jurisdictional area. Youth who join a competing merged or youth association and also want to bowl in the other must apply and pay the appropriate state dues and local processing fee.*