

2010 Rules Seminar Quiz

1. Louie is a right-handed bowler. After it has been determined that his team has won the game, he throws his 10th frame left-handed. What penalty, if any, does he receive?
 - a. No penalty, this is an acceptable practice in USBC competition.
 - b. Louie's 10th frame is declared null and void and he must rebowl with his right hand.
 - c. Louie's 10th frame is forfeited.
 - d. Louie forfeits the entire game.

2. What final averages are league secretaries required to report to the local association?
 - a. Only for those members who have bowled at least 21 games in the league.
 - b. All members regardless of the number of games.
 - c. Only for those who are members of USBC in the league. Non USBC members do not receive this benefit.
 - d. League secretaries are not required to submit final averages.

3. According to USBC rules, if a player arrives in time to bowl the third frame, what does he/she receive as a score for the first two frames?
 - a. 1/10th of his/her absentee score.
 - b. Zeroes.
 - c. The bowler is allowed to make-up those missed frames.
 - d. The bowler can not bowl game 1 and receives his/her absentee score.

4. On the way to the bank to deposit last night's money, the league treasurer, Lucy, stops at the corner gas station for a cup of coffee. While she is in the store, an individual grabs the money through an open window. Is this money covered under USBC's Burglary Insurance?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

5. Louie, our right-handed bowler, has broken his right thumb but wants to continue bowling in the league left-handed. He requests the change in delivery from the league board and the board grants it. After his thumb has healed, he wants to return bowling right-handed. What type of vote is needed to approve the request?
- No vote needed. Since Louie started the season right-handed, he can return to bowling right-handed as soon as he is ready.
 - Majority vote of the board.
 - 2/3rds vote of the board.
 - Written consent of every team captain.
 - No vote is needed because he can not return bowling right-handed.
6. In the fourth frame of game 1 it is discovered four teams are bowling the wrong opponents. What should be done?
- Nothing. Have the teams continue bowling the wrong opponents and base standings on the head to head outcome.
 - Stop them from bowling, null and void the frames and start them over bowling the correct opponents.
 - Have the teams complete the games and then compare the scores with the proper opponents.
 - Find out how this occurred and dismiss those who are responsible from the league.
7. In tournament competition, a team is bowling on a pair of lanes alone. Must each player complete a frame on one lane before the player bowling lead off starts the next frame on the adjoining lane?
- Yes.
 - No.
8. Which rule could a league **not** adopt in regards to a league playoff?
- The teams will bowl a three game series with total pins determining the champion.
 - A 10th frame playoff will determine the champion.
 - The league champion will be determined by total pins for the season.
 - A one game Baker format will be utilized.
9. In which situation is a dead ball **not** declared?

- a. After a delivery, it is immediately discovered that the five pin was missing from the rack.
 - b. The fifth bowler on a team bowled before player number 4.
 - c. The first and second bowler from each team all bowl on the wrong lane.
 - d. A bowler is hit by a thrown towel and rolls a strike.
 - e. None of the above.
10. Which officer is responsible for enforcing USBC and league rules?
- a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Secretary
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Sergeant-at-Arms
 - f. All of the above



Answers and Explanations

1. d. According to Rule 118b, a right-handed bowler must always bowl right-handed and a left-handed bowler always left-handed. Penalty for such a violation is forfeiture of any game where the opposite hand was used.
2. b. The league secretary duties requires the secretary to report averages for all bowlers in the league regardless of how many games are bowled.
3. a. While a lot of leagues do adopt a rule to allow tardy bowlers to make-up missed frames, the national rule, according to Rule 109c, is to give the player 1/10th of his/her absentee score for each frame not bowled.
4. b. No. To be eligible for a burglary claim, the funds must be taken through forcible entry into the premises or a locked receptacle. Since the window was open, USBC's burglary insurance will not cover the funds.
5. c. Rule 118b, which applies to switching from right-handed to left-handed due to injury, also applies when the bowler is ready to switch back to right-handed.
6. a. USBC has consistently held that when teams bowl the wrong opponents, the games stand as bowled and standings are based on the head to head outcome. Even though the mistake was discovered early and could be corrected, the appropriate way to handle this is to complete the games with the wrong opponents
7. a. Yes. Rule 325 requires the lead-off bowler to wait until the anchor bowler is finished bowler before starting the next frame. This is different for leagues.
8. c. Due to last year's amendment to Rule 113b, as long as the playoff is at least one frame, a league can adopt the rule. Since using total pins for the season does not fit the rule, it can not be adopted.
9. d. According to Rule 8, if a player comes in contact with a moving object, the player has the option to accept the resulting pinfall or have a dead ball declared. Since the bowler threw a strike, acceptance of the pinfall is likely.
10. a. Officially, according to the duties of the officers, the president is responsible for enforcing the rules. However, each officer can technically enforce the rules which would make f an acceptable answer also.