

Hello Everyone –

Enclosed is the packet for the 2026 NYS American Legion Bowling Tournament. The event is being held in Medina, NY. Bowling will be held at Medina Lanes. Please note that this is a 20-lane house so if you have a group you want to bowl with make sure to submit your registration forms with payment as early as possible. Make sure to submit both date choices on the registration form.

I want to thank Cicero Post #787 for a successful 2025 event. I look forward to seeing everyone at this year's event and will help and accommodate you anyway I can. I know we can have another wonderful year.

See you soon.



Penny Brown

Tournament Bowling Committee



**76th Annual NYS American Legion
Family Bowling Tournament
April 18 through May 10, 2026**

Host Post

**Butts-Clark Post 204
305 N. Main Street
Medina, NY 14103**

Event Center

**Medina Lanes
11249 Maple Ridge Road
Medina, NY 14103**



New York State American Legion Bowling Tournament

Rules Important to Tournament Entrants

(please read carefully)

1. To participate, a bowler must be paid up 2025 Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion or Legion Riders member, but not necessarily a U.S.B.C. member. High score recognition extended to participating U.S.B.C. members only. Eligible Non-U.S.B.C members can qualify for high score recognition at their option by purchasing an associate membership for a fee of \$10.00. This fee must be paid before participation. **The Tournament committee reserves the right to reject any and all entries.**
2. Team captains must present paid up 2025 American Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL cards at the lane registration desk, one half hour prior to starting time. Teams or individuals failing to appear on lanes prepared to bowl at scheduled time will be given zeroes for each frame missed.
3. A handicap based on 100% of the difference between each player's highest average and the tournament net basis of 210 pins will be allowed in each event of the tournament.
4. Entrant will use his/her highest USBC average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2024-2025 season. If current 21 game average as of January 1, 2026 is 10 or more pins higher than 24/25 average, current average must be used. If there is no average for 24/25, use current average, 21 games or more as of January 1, 2026. If no established USBC average but have previously bowled in this tournament, you must use legion tournament average. If neither average is established, men will enter tournament with a 180 as their average and women will use 150 as their average. Any bowler entering the tournament with an average of 210 or more will not receive a negative handicap.
5. Tournament managers may disqualify and force the removal from further participation of any bowler, who in their judgement is unfit to continue bowling or who may be distracting other bowlers.
6. The tournament committee will assign lanes to the start of the tournament. All events are being held at Medina Lanes, 11249 Maple Ridge Road, Medina, NY 14103.
7. All entries in this tournament must be made in accordance with USBC rules. The tournament managers reserve all rights in this tournament.
8. Individuals may compete on more than one team, but at least 2 members on team must be changed to qualify for cash prize.
9. Singles event will be bowled immediately following the doubles event. **The singles event will be bowled on same pair as doubles event.** Entrants will bowl three (3) games on one pair of lanes in each event. If a doubles event is entered, bowlers must also enter singles event. A bowler(s) may enter doubles and singles event more than once with different partners, however, the bowler may cash only once in singles event. A bowler must bowl all six games.

10. **The optional Six-Game Combo will be total pins scored in first doubles and singles. Team event scores are not included in combo scores.** No substitutes will be accepted for 6 game combo unless they replace entrant in all six games.
11. All prize fees will be returned 100%.
12. Maximum of one prize for each six (6) teams entered.
13. Minimum of one prize for each ten (10) entries in all other events.
14. Trophies or Plaques will be awarded in all four events of the tournament on the basis of scores with handicap.
15. Ties for all positions qualifying for prizes shall be divided equally among all entrants in that position. Duplicate trophies or plaques will be awarded for first place ties.
16. No entry fees will be refunded if it is discovered that a team and/or individual have failed to comply with all USBC and tournament rules and regulations.
17. All entries must be accompanied by check or money order (make checks payable to **NYS American Legion Tournament**). Entry confirmations and results will be emailed/mailed to captains.
18. Reservations and entries close on March 15, 2026.
19. Reservations will be accepted for date and time on entries on a first-come first-served basis.
20. Bowlers who have qualified for a prize of \$300.00 or more in any event in a tournament within the previous 12 months must report actual score, position and amount won for possible re-rating before bowling. Any bowler who reports a lower average than required or who fails to report a prize of \$300.00 shall forfeit tournament entry fee and prize winnings.
21. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average, whether originally submitted by the bowler, team captain or others. **Failure to use proper average or make corrections prior to or at time of bowling, scores will be disqualified.** Be especially familiar with USBC rules governing adjusted averages. This rule applies to all bowlers.
22. By direction of the Department Bowling Committee at meetings held in past years, members of the American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, The Sons of the American Legion, The American Legion Riders, and members of the Canadian American Legion Posts bordering New York are eligible to participate in this annual tournament, with the understanding all participants must be 21 years of age and have a valid, paid current membership card. Exception: Auxiliary and/or SAL bowlers 18-21 years of age must submit signed parental consent form at time of entry submitted (so as not to jeopardize any amateur or scholastic eligibility.)

REGISTRATION/ENTRY FORM MONEY BREAKDOWN 2026

	HOW MUCH \$	TEAM/ X 1	DOUBLES/ X 2	SINGLES/ X 4	6 GAME COMBO	TOTAL OWED
PRIZE FUND	\$11.00/BWLR	\$44.00	\$22.00	\$11.00	\$0.00	\$132.00
LINEAGE	\$4.00/GAME	\$48.00	\$24.00	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$144.00
EXPENSES	\$5.50/BWLR	\$22.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.00
6 GAME COMBO	\$2.00/BWLR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.00	\$8.00
ASSN DUES	\$0.50/BWLR	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.00
TOTALS		\$116.00	\$46.00/X 2	\$23.00/X 4	\$2.00/X 4	\$308.00

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

NYS AMERICAN LEGION TOURNAMENT

Mail Entries to:
Legion Bowling Tournament
C/O Penny Brown
PO Box 177
Attica, NY 14011

Disclaimers:

- 1) By signing the registration form, you are certifying that all data is accurate. If NOT correct, all monies will be forfeited.**
- 2) By entering a lineup, you are affirming all bowlers are eligible members. Cards will be verified at the Registration Desk when signing in.**

Hotel Options

Quality Inn

551 S. Transit Road
Lockport, NY 14094
(914) 204 - 4457

Prices per Harry
\$99.00/night

Hart House Hotel

113 West Center Street
Medina, NY 14103

Prices per Richard
Use Code: BOWL2026
30% off each individual room

Comfort Inn

11591 Maple Ridge Road
Medina, NY 14103
(585) 798-6777

Use CHOICEHOTELS.COM

Econo Lodge

8493 Route 77
Corfu, NY 14036
(585) 599-3040
Right off Exit 48A

Prices per Julie
****each week has a different code.**
see below for codes and pricing

Group Name: NYS American Legion Bowling April 17-19, 2026

Dates: April 17-19, 2025

Rate per night: \$89.99 plus tax

Cut-off date*: March 27, 2026

Booking link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/ME22B0>

Group Name: NYS American Legion Bowling April 24-26, 2026

Dates: April 24-26, 2026

Rate per night: \$89.99 plus tax

Cut-off date*: April 3, 2026

Booking link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/BK24M8>

Group Name: NYS American Legion Bowling May 1-3, 2026

Dates: May 1-3, 2026

Rate per night: \$99.99 plus tax

Cut-off date*: April 10, 2026

Booking link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/XQ74J5>

Group Name: NYS American Legion Bowling May 8-10, 2026

Dates: May 8-10, 2026

Rate per night: \$99.99 plus tax

Cut-off date*: April 17, 2026

Booking link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/RV77I0>

*****When calling to book your room, make sure to let them know that this is for the NYS American Legion Bowling Tournament**

*****If using your post tax exempt, you must have one form for each room reserve.**

