

# **BOWLING FORMAT**

## **1. *Type of Competition***

Each installation will conduct an event for the eligible units at their installation for the Camp Commander's Cup (CC Cup) competition. Teams participating in these events will be formed in accordance with the current version of the reference and the rules listed below. The top eight teams overall in each respective CC Cup competition will also receive the right to advance to play in the Combined CG Cup competitions.

## **2. *Rules***

The USBC (United States Bowling Commerce) rules will apply as modified by these bylaws or the tournament director.

## **3. *Team Size***

The team size will be limited to six players, four of which will be "open" division (any age) and two will be "senior" division (32 or older). One player will be designated as the team captain.

## **4. *Divisions***

This competition is primarily a team event; however, there are divisions within the event that offer opportunities for individual recognition. These divisions include an "open" division, a "senior" division, and a "women's" division. As shown above, teams are required to carry a specific number of individuals in each of the "open" and "senior" divisions; however, teams are not required to carry any specific number of women on their teams for the "women's" division. The "women's" division has been added as a side benefit just for those women that happen to be participating in these events for their units.

## **5. *Awards***

The maximum authorized awards are as follows:

- a. One team award for the first and second place team of the CC Cup and Combined CG Cup competition.
- b. One award for each member of the first and second place team of the Combined CG Cup competition. Awards will not exceed six awards per team.
- c. One award for the individual Combined CG Cup champion(s) and runner-up(s) in the "open," "senior," and "women's" divisions.

## **6. *Officials***

There will be no officials. Disputes which cannot be resolved by the active contestants will be resolved by the Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) designated representative.

## **7. *Bylaws***

- a. Competition in both the CC Cup and Combined CG Cup tournaments will begin with a three-game roll off. Following the three-game roll off, a separate ladder tournament for each of the divisions and for the teams will be held to determine the final tournament standings. Only the top four teams and the top four individuals in the "open," "senior," and "women's" divisions will qualify from the roll offs to participate in the ladder tournaments.

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b. Teams will be assigned to a pair of lanes by the tournament director before the start of the tournament. If the teams are required to be broken up because of time restraints it is recommended that "open", "senior" and "women" division bowlers only be assigned two lanes and only bowl against individuals from the same divisions. If team members bowl at different times, the senior " division and "women's" division three-game roll offs will be conducted prior to the "open" division roll offs. Upon completion of each game, all players will sign and verify the score sheet as being correct before submitting it to the tournament official. All players will move over a set of lanes after each game.

c. A player is restricted to playing in only one division.

d. Roll off standing will be determined as follows:

(1) In team competition, a team's final score will be determined by totaling the scores from all games bowled by all members of a particular team. The four teams with the best scores from this process will qualify for the ladder tournament. All ties involved in seeding for the ladder tournament, will be broken by taking the scores from the three-game roll offs as follows:

- (a) Highest two-game team total.
- (b) Highest one-game team total.
- (c) Coin flip.

(2) In the individual division competitions, the four individuals with the best three-game totals will qualify for the individual ladder tournament in the "open," "senior," and "women's" divisions. All ties involved in seeding for the ladder tournaments will be broken by taking the scores from the three-game roll offs as follows:

- (a) Highest two-game total.
- (b) Highest one-game total.
- (c) Coin flip.

e. The ladder tournaments will begin with the fourth seeded team/individual bowling the third seeded team/individual. The winner from this match then bowls the second seeded team/individual. This process continues until the first place team/individual is determined (i.e., fourth bowls third, winner bowls second, winner bowls first, and the winner is the champion).

f. In the team ladder competition, all six team members will bowl for their team and all scores will count toward the final team score. The winner of each ladder match will be the team with the best total team score.

g. During a ladder tournament, should a match end in a tie, an additional frame will be bowled by the teams and individuals involved. This frame will be bowled on the lanes where the competitors bowled the final frame of the last game and it will be scored like a tenth frame. If the tie remains unbroken, the teams or individuals involved will alternate lanes for each additional complete frame needed to break the tie.

h. The individual ladder tournaments will be conducted before the team ladder tournament.

i. All scores will be scratch (no handicap).

j. Failure of a team member to show up and bowl their scheduled games will result in the following action:

(1) Players who fail to show up and bowl in at least their initial games will forfeit out of the tournament. The teams with players who fail to show up and bowl in at least their initial games will also forfeit out of the tournament. The individual team members of a team forfeiting out of a tournament will also be unable to continue to play in the tournament for the individual awards.

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(2) Players unable to bowl or continue to bowl in a game, after completing their initial three game roll off, will forfeit out of the tournament, regardless of reason. No substitutions will be allowed; however, the player's team may continue bowling short that player(s). All team members will still be eligible to compete for the individual awards.

k. MCCS will pay for all rental shoes and lineage.