

What is No Tap Bowling?

No Tap bowling is a special scoring format in which knocking down 9 or 10 pins on your first ball is scored as a strike. How many times have you had a near perfect shot only to have one pin staring back at you? It happens all the time but not in No Tap. If that stubborn ten pin is standing, you will nonetheless be scored with a strike! No more “taps”!!! That is where the fun begins!



How Does No Tap Work?

Scoring, in all respects, is the same as your normal bowling, except...a pinfall of 9 or 10...on your first ball, is automatically scored as a strike. We have smart pinsetters and automatic scoring, and it will score the ball as a strike (if you get 9 pins on your first ball), just as if you knocked down all ten pins. Any other pin count on your first ball (that is, 8 or less) is scored normally. To earn the spare, you will need to knock down all the pins on your second ball...just like normal.

When is No Tap Held?

BASCW holds these No Tap events every other Saturday throughout the year. Due to the popularity of these events, we have 2 sessions available at 3:00 and 5:45. In addition, in the summer months a version of No-Tap called Red Pin is held every Tuesday at 1:00.

What No Tap Games are Played?

The main event game is appropriately just called “No-Tap” and is included for free in the event fee. In this game, all players are divided into four separate divisions based on average. Each division has handicapped scoring which means that all players, regardless of ability level, have a relatively equal opportunity to win. In fact, about half of all participants win a cash prize! In addition to the main No Tap game, we offer three optional side games. The first side game is called “Strikes in 10” where all the action is focused on only the 10th frame and has an entry fee of \$3. The second side game is called “High Rollers” where bowlers must bowl a designated score to win and is free to all BASCW members! Strikes in 10 and High Rollers have division-based rules which make both games very fair for all members to win regardless of ability level. The third side game is called “Top Gun” and is primarily intended for our higher average bowlers. This game has an entry fee of \$3 which covers entry into a package of more competitive type games.

How Do I Sign-Up for No Tap Events?

These No Tap events are very popular and fill up fast especially from October through April. There are three methods of entry. First, you can sign up in advance at the prior event. Second, you can fill out an entry and drop it into the BASCW mailbox no later than 2 days prior to the event. Third, you can walk in on a space available basis. Remember, BASCW No Tap events are stand-alone events, not a league. As a BASCW member, you are not obligated to bowl all the events. You choose which events to bowl!

We hope to see you on the lanes!