



2025-26 King of the Hill Rules
And
2026 King of the Hill **Coronation** Rules

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King Of The Hill

King of the Hill Schedule

Monthly KOH Cost: \$30.00

KOH Coronation Cost: \$40.00

Oct. @ Tower Lanes, January @ Chalet Bowl & March @ Roxbury will each have 2 squad times

If you have not checked in by your squad time you will be moved to the 2nd squad time.
Spots available on each squad time is limited to 64 at Tower Lanes, 48 at Chalet, and 56 at Roxbury. Thank you for your cooperation.

October 19, 2025

Tower Lanes

6323 Sixth Ave
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 564-8853

Check in: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Practice: 8:45 AM & 11:45 PM
Start: 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM

November 16, 2025

West Seattle Bowl

4505 39th Ave SW
Seattle, WA 98116
(206) 932-3731

Check in: 9:00 AM
Practice: 9:45 AM
Start: 10:00 AM

January 18, 2026

Chalet Bowl

3806 N 26th
Tacoma, WA 98407
(253) 752-5200

Check in: 8:00 AM & 12:00 Noon
Practice: 8:45 AM & 12:45 PM
Start: 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM

February 15, 2026

Kent Bowl

1234 Central Ave. N.
Kent, WA 98032
(253) 852-3550

Check in: 9:00 AM
Practice: 9:45 AM
Start: 10:00 AM

March 15, 2026

Roxbury Lanes

2823 SW Roxbury St
Seattle, WA 98126
(206) 935-7400

Check in: 8:00 AM & 12:00 Noon
Practice: 8:45 AM & 12:45 PM
Start: 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM

CORONATION

May 17, 2026

Secoma Lanes

34500 Pacific Hwy S
Federal Way, WA 98003
(253) 927-0611

Check in: 9:00 AM

Practice: 9:45 AM

Start: 10:00 AM

King of the Hill Tournament Rules

1. This is an invitational handicapped and scratch tournament. Bowlers are selected in each division based on either a Bowler of the Week contest or on achievements earned during the previous month in league as determined by the Youth league officer or Coordinator for any South Sound USBC Center. You **MUST** be registered by your center to participate! **No Walk-ins will be allowed.**
2. **League officials, coaches or the house coordinator must send in a list of qualifiers names, gender, average, and average verification sheet to the tournament Manager no later than the Tuesday before the tournament. Failure to do so can result in the qualifiers not being eligible to participate in that tournament.**
3. The South Sound USBC (SSUSBC) Youth **King of the Hill Coronation** Tournament is certified and by invitation only. Bowlers must have qualified in one of the monthly tournaments held from **October 2025 through March 2026.**
4. USBC rules and regulations as well as the South Sound USBC Youth tournament rules will govern the monthly and Coronation Tournament. USBC Youth dress code will be enforced and the tournament will be certified (sanctioned). All participants must be current SSUSBC cardholders, bowling a South Sound Youth League in good standing and present their South Sound USBC youth card at check-in. **Dress Code:** See Rule 15
5. Monthly KOH entry fee will be \$30.00 (\$20.00 lineage/expenses, \$6.00 Coronation scholarship funds, and \$4.00 prize/trophy fund. Any remaining money from the prize fund will go into the coronation scholarship fund. Distribution to SMART (Account #9009) will be made within 30 days of completion of the Coronation.

6. Coronation entry fee will be \$40.00 (\$23.00 lineage/expenses, \$17.00 SMART/prize fund). Scholarship will be through the SMART Program (Account #9009). Scholarship and awards will be awarded on a 1:3 ratio or fraction thereof in each boys and girls division. Scholarship funds from monthly King of the Hill tournaments will be added and prorated per division in the tournament.

7. Divisions will be based on the averages and are as follows: (one each for boys and girls)

- Division 1: ● **Scratch** * All Star points *
- Division 2: ● 150 and up (Handicap)
- Division 3: ● 126 – 149 (Handicap)
- Division 4: ● 101 – 125 (Handicap)
- Division 5: ● 100 and below (Handicap)

6. Division 1 will be **SCRATCH**. Divisions 2 through 5 will be **HANDICAP** at 100% of 210.

7. Monthly winners will be awarded trophies within 45 days of the event. Prize fund to be returned 100% and trophies will be awarded on a 1:3 ratio in each division. Winners will be entered into the **Coronation Tournament on May 17, 2026 at Secoma Lanes**.

8. If a bowler wins in more than one monthly tournament, the month with the higher division will be used in the Coronation Tournament. Bowlers can only win ONE TIME in the same division.

a. Bowlers can only progress one HANDICAP division over their current average.

Example: (A bowler qualifying in Division 5 with a 100 or under current average may not advance past Division 4 until the bowler's average is over the Division 4 Minimum Average of 101. Even if they have placed 1st in Division 5 & 4).

b. HANDICAP Bowlers that qualify in October & November ONLY, can be subject to a re-rate and division adjustment based on the difference between last year's average and your current average at time of Coronation. If your current Average is more than two Divisions away from your qualifying Division, then you will be bumped into the Division below your current Average even though they might not have qualified in that division.

Example: (If a bowler Qualifies in October in Division 5 with last year's Average of 95 and by Coronation time the bowlers Average is 135 which would be Division 3. The bowler will be automatically advanced up a Division at Coronation to Division 4, if the bowler has not qualified in a higher Division after the October or November KOH).

10. Monthly KOH: In the **handicap divisions**, a total series of three (3) games plus handicap will determine the winners. In the **scratch divisions**, a total series of three (3) games only will determine the winners.

11. KOH Coronation: For Division 1 – Boys & Girls: A total of three (3) games **SCRATCH** will determine who advances to the step-ladder finals. Division 2 through 5 – Boys & Girls: a total of three (3) games plus *handicap* will determine who advances to the step-ladder finals. If a division has (5) or more bowlers, the top five (5) will advance to the step-ladder finals. If a division has less than five (5) bowlers, then all participants will advance. **Step-ladder finals will be with handicap for divisions 2 - 5.** Finals will be bowled as follows: position #5 bowls position #4, winner bowls #3, winner bowls #2, and winner bowls #1 for the championship match. New incoming bowlers will get 2 practice balls per lane before their ladder match begins (e.g. Position #5 & #4 will both get 2 practice balls in first step ladder match, in the next round, only Position #3 will receive 2 practice balls and so on).

12. November thru March only: The highest youth league average based on a minimum of 12 games shall be used as of the **Tuesday** before the tournament when coordinators are required to turn in League Standings sheets.

- a. **Entering Average for October ONLY:** In the event a bowler has a standard average and a sport league average, rule 201c/3 in the USBC Playing Rules book must be observed. The higher of the two will then be used without conversion. If you only have a challenge or sport average it is the bowler's responsibility to use the USBC conversion chart found on Bowl.com to adjust average. All Averages will use USBC Rule 317 & 318 and must consist of **12 games** or more. USBC Rule 319a (2) – 10-pin rule does not apply. Failure to report accurate averages that result in exceeding the division averages will result in a division change. Entrants will use averages in the following order: **Use the first condition met.**
 - i. Highest USBC certified fall/winter league 2024 – 25 average
 - ii. Highest certified spring/summer league as of the end of the 2024-25 season as defined by USBC Rule 100i.
 - iii. Current league average of 12 games or more.
 - iv. USBC Rule 319b If no average, Boys will use a 175 average and Girls will use a 150 average
- b. A bowler who does not have an eligible average under tournament rules will bowl scratch unless at least 9 games have been bowled in their current league as of the day before the tournament. Verification is required.

13. KOH Coronation Only: Bowlers' average will be based on the last day of league before April 15th, 2026. Proof of average is required to bowl. **LEAGUE STANDING SHEETS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY APRIL 30th, 2026. Invitations are due back by MAY 1st, 2026.**

14. The SMART Program – Account #9009. All scholarship is submitted to SMART within 30 days of the end of the tournament.

15. Dress Code: Dress attire must be neat, clean and proper fitting. Khaki/Dress pants or shorts fingertip length of any color. Black jeans only with no distress marks. Skorts/Skirts that are fingertip length or longer and must have shorts underneath. Collared shirts and/or recognized bowling shirt styles. Spandex leggings, exercise wear, basketball shorts, blue jeans, short shirts that show midsection will not be permitted. Youth participants shall not wear apparel or use bowling equipment depicting racial, political, alcohol, tobacco, gambling, or illegal substances or inappropriate language/gestures or offensive subject matter. **No electronics will be allowed in the Settee area to include, phones, ear buds or head phones.** Hats will not be allowed, unless with a doctor's note. Violators will be subject to disqualification and entry fee forfeiture. Tournament Manager and Volunteers will monitor dress code during all tournaments.



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