



Etiquette Information

Here are a few simple guidelines to help make your bowling experience more pleasurable.

- **Prepare to take your turn promptly on the approach.**
Be ready to bowl when the pins are set. Don not bowl until the pinsetter has completed its cycle and the sweepbar is raised, otherwise you may damage the ball or the machine.
- **Observe at least a one lane courtesy.**
Do not bowl at the same time as a bowler directly to your left or right. The bowler on the right should bowl if both reach the approach at the same time. Stay off the approach until it is your turn to bowl. Do not wait on the wood while the other bowler takes his/her shot. Although only a one lane courtesy is required please be aware that some bowlers do observe a two lane courtesy.
- **Good bowling requires concentration.**
Bowlers should always keep in mind that excessive movement or noise could be distracting to those bowling around them. When a bowler is ready to bowl, give them the courtesy of making his/her shot without interferences or distractions, as you will want the same courtesy when it is your turn.
- **Get the ball out on the lane.**
Excessive lofting hurts your game and damages the lanes.
- **Do not take too long to aim or get set up while you are on the approach.**
- **Refrain from using abusive language or obscene gestures.**
- **Play the game to win but be a gracious loser.**
- **If you are leaving the lanes for any reason, i.e. going to the bar, going out to smoke, making a phone call, etc, please inform the other people you are bowling with.**
- **Be aware of anything that you may track onto the approach or the bowling area.** Moisture or other substances tracked onto the approach can cause a messy or even hazardous approach. Always be sure to change out of bowling shoes or change shoes whenever leaving the building for any reason. Be careful leaving the bowling area or use shoe covers when leaving the bowling area during inclement weather when carpeting may be wet or soiled.