

# THE BASICS OF BOWLING

## TERMINOLOGY

<b>Game</b>	A game of bowling is defined as 10 consecutive frames of bowling completed by a bowler.
<b>Frame</b>	A frame is a bowler's turn at attempting to bowl down all 5 pins using up to 3 ball deliveries.
<b>Strike</b>	The act of bowling down all 5 pins on the first delivery of a frame. If a strike has been made no further deliveries shall be made in the frame. A strike shall count the full value of all 5 pins (15 pts) PLUS the value of the next two balls thrown by the bowler in the next frame(s).
<b>Spare</b>	The act of bowling down all 5 pins on the first two deliveries of a frame. If a spare has been made no further delivery shall be made in the frame. A spare shall count the full value of all 5 pins (15 pts) PLUS the value of the next ball thrown by the bowler in the next frame.
<b>Rack</b>	The pin set up prior to the first delivery of a frame being thrown.
<b>Headpin</b>	The centre pin of the rack, the headpin is the most valuable earning the bowler 5 points.
<b>3-Pin</b>	There are two 3-Pins in a rack of pins, located to either side of the headpin. They have a value of 3 points each. From the bowler's point of view, the Right 3-Pin is immediately to the right of the headpin, and the Left 3-Pin is immediately to the headpin's left.
<b>Corner Pin</b>	There are two corner pins in a rack of pins. They are the outside pins in the rack. Each has a value of 2 points. The Right Corner Pin is on the far right of the rack (bowler's perspective) and the Left Corner Pin is to the far left.
<b>Split</b>	A split is the result of bowling down the headpin and one of the 3-Pins on a bowler's first delivery in a frame. It is called a split because the remaining pins seem to have been "split" apart by the resulting first delivery.
<b>Foul</b>	A foul is committed when a bowler crosses the foul line during or following delivery of a ball. A bowler's personal item can also cause a foul, such as an item of clothing, a pen falling out of a pocket, etc.
<b>Turkey</b>	Far from "foul"... a Turkey is the nick name for achieving 3 consecutive strikes.
<b>Perfect Game</b>	A perfect game is when a bowler manages to throw only strikes throughout a game (a strike in each of the first 9 frames and 3 strikes in the tenth frame). A perfect game's score is 450 points.