

IRISH ROAD BOWLING RULES

The regulation road bowl is a 28oz ball the size of a baseball. It is called a **SHOT, BOWL** or **BULLET** depending on what part of Ireland a match takes place

A game is called a **SCORE**

In Ireland the game is played as one on one, or two man teams. Here in St Louis in 2020 we play as a four person team. Others may accompany your team for support but may not play. All participants and supporters must be 21 years of age.

BULLET can go off the road surface. Mark straight back to the road for the next shot from where the **BULLET** stops, not from where it leaves the road surface. It can run in gravel berm or come back on the road. Record the cumulative shot count.

Players must throw in set rotation, substitutes are allowed but only in rotation.

Before every shot at least one team member, the **SPOTTER**, must be down the road to clear the road for safety and to choose the perfect path to guide the shot. The spotter is allowed to deflect the BULLET where the road turns. The spotter will need a board or stick (like a hockey stick) and can place it at an angle to keep the bullet from going off the road at a turn. The stick may not be used to move the bullet. The stick must be stationary when the bullet strikes it. A sign will be displayed where deflection is permitted

Shots should not go past players of team in front. Wait until the road is clear.

Team with fewest shots to the end of the course wins.

If teams are tied approaching the finish line, the final throw which goes to farthest past the finish line wins. Scoring is Honor System, please count all shots.

Losing the **BULLET** eliminates the team from competition.