

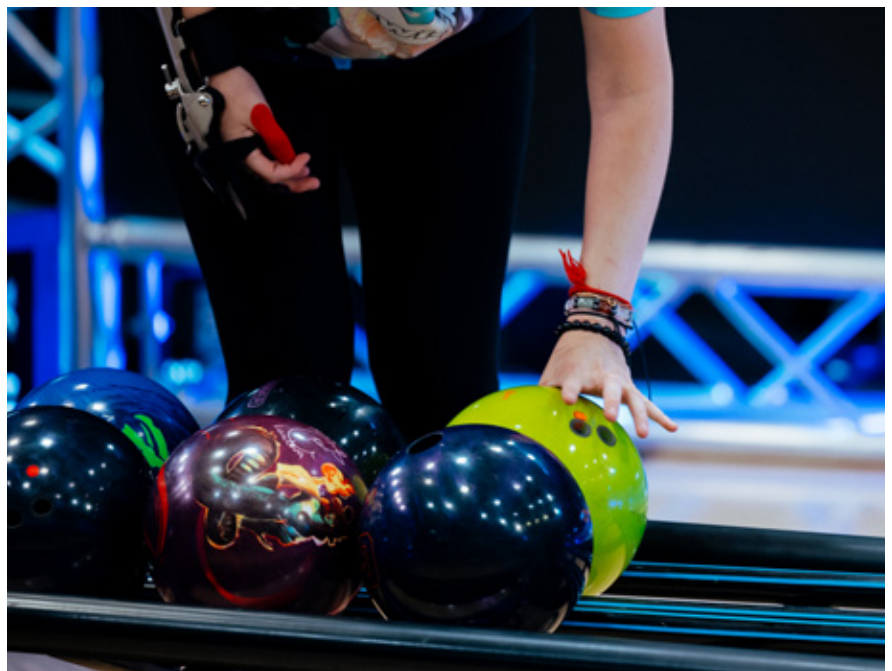
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GUIDE

**SUMMARIES AND STATS FOR 85
BOWLING BALLS REVIEWED IN 2025**

The BJI Ball Guide was an annual event in the pages of *Bowlers Journal* for 37 consecutive years before taking a hiatus around the time of this magazine's redesign with the January 2022 issue. Its return in 2023, exclusively in digital form, provides an efficient, easily searchable experience for consumers looking to brush up on the prior year's harvest of bowling balls. The capsule reviews it contains once again include more statistical and manufacturing detail than print editions of the BJI Ball Guide tended to present, and the succinct summaries of each of the 85 bowling balls reviewed here cut right to the chase of Petersen's experience testing each with fellow reviewer Stephen DeLong.

While a short "snapshot" of each 2025 ball review appears in the forthcoming pages, we highly recommend reading the full reviews that appeared in "No Holes Barred" to gain a clearer understanding of the balls, their capabilities and their recommended uses. The original review month is included with each listing.



Understanding the Ratings

HOOK POTENTIAL

35-45

Balls with lower total hook ranges, best suited for lighter oil concentrations. Players with slower speeds or higher rev rates may also prefer balls in this range for medium oil applications.

45-51

Balls with medium hook ability, best suited for the vast majority of “typical house shots” and some lower-volume Sport patterns. This hook range should be represented by the “center-piece” ball in most arsenals.

51-60+

Balls with greater total hook, designed for heavier oil volumes. Players with higher speeds or lower rev rates, who need added lane traction, may also prefer balls in this range.

LENGTH RATINGS

8-12

Earlier rolling balls that read the lane sooner. These products generally come factory-sanded with lower grit surfaces and match up well for speed-dominant styles and those bowling on longer oil patterns.

12-15

Medium-length balls that produce easier length through the midlane. Good for most house shots and medium-volume Sport patterns

15-19+

Balls offering extra length for those bowling on lighter oil concentrations. Also beneficial for slower speed players, or those with higher rev rates needing added push downlane.

BREAKPOINT SHAPE

10-13

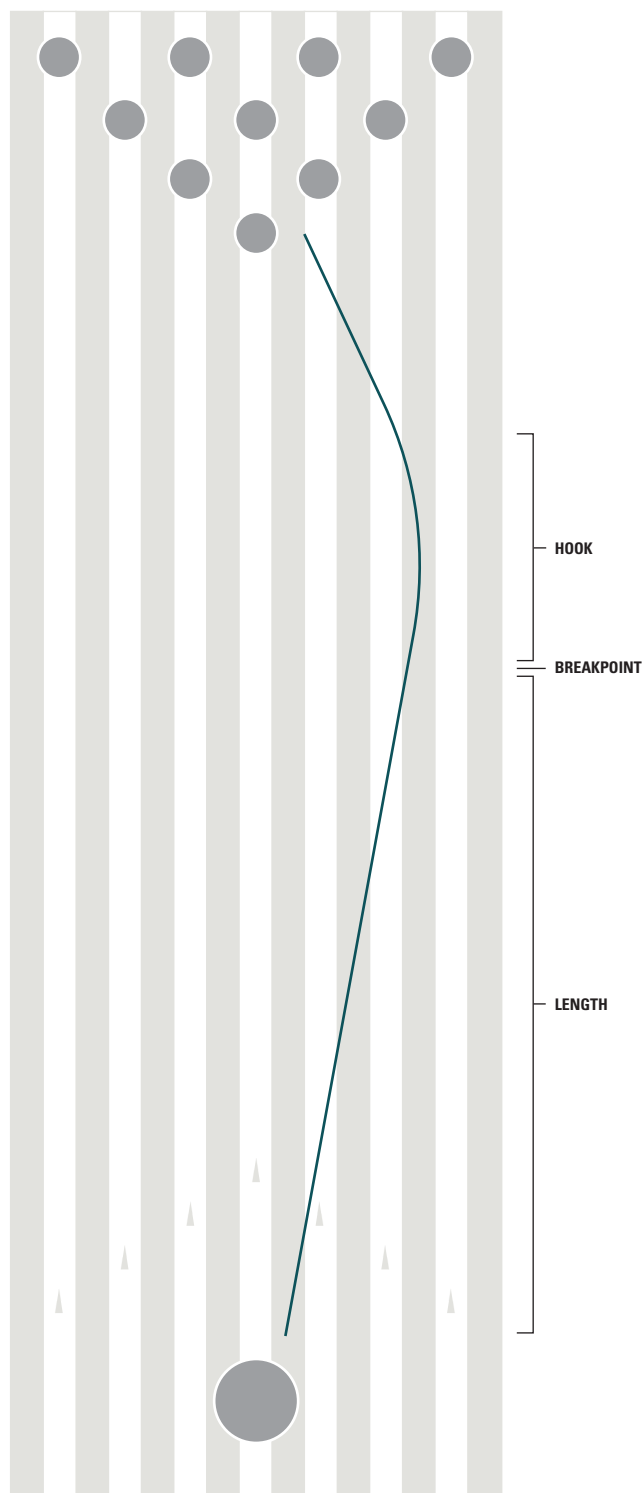
Slower-response balls that read the friction areas more gradually. This range may include balls with a urethane or mild reactive cover, designed for a smooth arc to the pocket. Also can help those with higher rev rates control motion and match up well from outside angles of attack.

13-15

Balls rated for slightly stronger and quicker reactions when encountering friction areas (as when the ball leaves the oil pattern). This range offers a balance of control and back-end angularity.

15-18+

Balls that respond more quickly and aggressively to friction areas. This range can help those with less hand action create more angularity near the pocket. Also preferred when playing deeper inside angles, which generally require more entry angle for above-average pin carry.



DEFENITIONS

HOOK

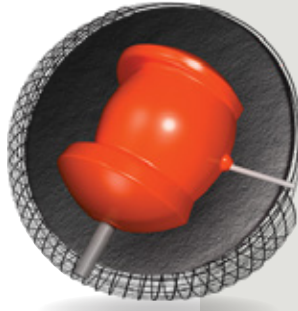
A ball moving in a curved pattern that curves sharply towards the headpin

LENGTH

How far a ball will travel down the lane before it begins to hook towards the headpin

BREAKPOINT

The point where the ball begins to hook towards the headpin



HAMMER 3-D OFFSET ASSAULT

February 2025

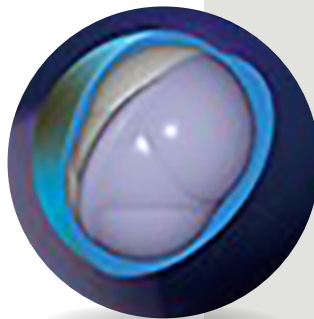
61 Hook ▪ **15 Length** ▪ **14.5 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover HK22- Cohesion Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.489 ▪ **RG Differential** .053

Review The 3-D Offset Assault is a very good and versatile asymmetric bowling ball that will be a good No. 1 or 2 option on medium to longer patterns.



ABS ACCU DRIVE V

July 2025

58 Hook ▪ **16 Length** ▪ **16 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover Nano Bond 5.0 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 800 Abralon / Diamond Compound 2 Polish

RG 2.494 ▪ **RG Differential** .052

Review The Accu Drive V is a very good go-to ball for speed-deprived players.



BRUNSWICK ALERT

November 2025

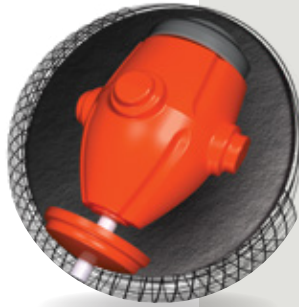
58.5 Hook ▪ **15 Length** ▪ **15 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover HK22-Savvy Hook Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.478 ▪ **RG Differential** .037

Review Brings a medium hook for medium-to-dry lanes, providing a smooth and predictable backend reaction.



HAMMER ANGER SOLID

August 2025

63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Sementex Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.567 ▪ RG Differential .049

Review The Hammer Anger Solid is a very versatile benchmark ball for medium to longer lane patterns.



SWAG BLACK DRAGON

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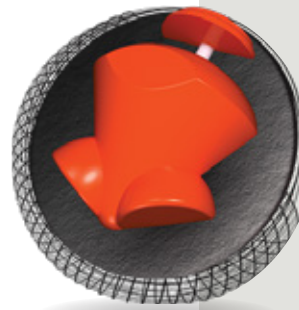
63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover SWAG Scorch Solid Reactive

Box Finish 1500 grit Sanded matte

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .054

Review The Black Dragon is a strong asymmetric bowling ball with a strong mid lane motion on medium to longer patterns.



HAMMER BLACK WIDOW MANIA

February 2025

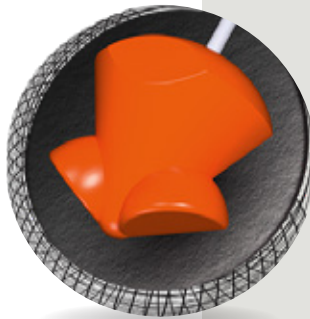
58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Cohesion Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500,1000,1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.50 ▪ RG Differential .058

Review The Black Widow Mania is a good replacement for the Ghost and a good No. 2 or 3 ball when patterns start to open up.



HAMMER BLACK WIDOW TOUR V1

October 2025

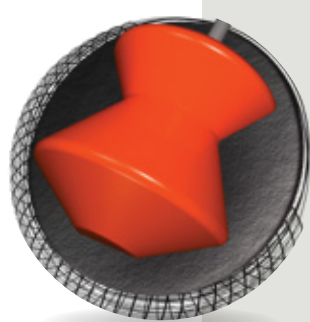
63 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22- Aggression Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000 and 3000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.50 ▪ RG Differential .034

Review Creates a predictable but strong backend reaction that allows various styles of players to strike.



HAMMER BUBBLEGUM VIBE

August 2025

58 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-CT Max Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 2000 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.510 ▪ RG Differential .042

Review The Bubblegum Vibe is a step down from, but with similar motion to, the original Anger, and it is easily the most responsive Vibe off the breakpoint.



MOTIV CLUTCH SUPRA

August 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Propulsion XRT Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 5500 Grit LSP

RG 2.55 ▪ RG Differential .043

Review The New Motiv Clutch Supra brings a hybrid version to the Supra line for medium to drier lane patterns.



BRUNSWICK COMBAT

September 2025

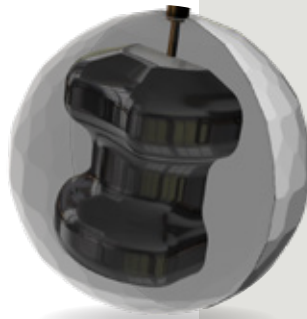
58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22 Alpha Premier Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Crown Factory Compound

RG 2.50 ▪ RG Differential .051

Review The Combat provides a strong backend motion for a big asymmetric bowling ball on medium patterns for various types of players.



900 GLOBAL COVE

August 2025

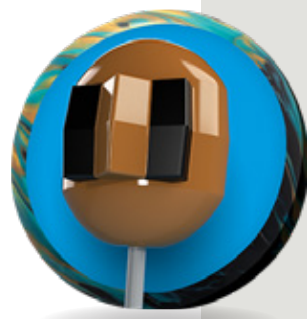
63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover RB 85 Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 4000 grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.49 ▪ RG Differential .044

Review For a hybrid bowling ball, the Cove is a very good benchmark option for any style with its strong responsiveness and continuation down-lane.



TRACK CRITERION HYBRID

March 2025

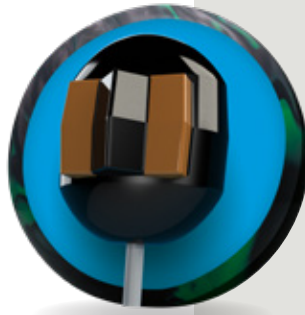
59.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Super Responsive HK22C Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500,1000,1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review This is a good ball choice for rev-deprived or speed-dominant players on medium patterns.



TRACK CRITERION INVERSE

November 2025

59.5 Hook ▪ 16.25 Length ▪ 15.75 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Super Response Pearl HK22C Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.496 ▪ RG Differential .047

Review A good No. 1 ball for slower-speed players.



BRUNSWICK CROWN VICTORY

May 2025

58 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22- Savvy Hook Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Crown Factory Compound

RG 2.540 ▪ RG Differential .048

Review The new Crown Victory brings very good push through the fronts and good, predictable, but strong continuation in the backend on medium to drier lane patterns.



EBONITE CRUSHER HYBRID

February 2025

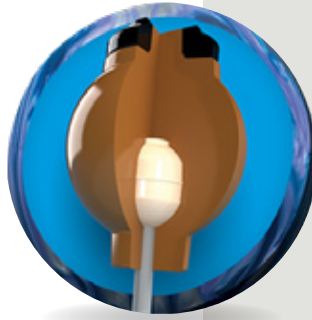
59 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Optimize Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.489 ▪ RG Differential .056

Review The new Crusher Hybrid creates a much stronger and more responsive backend reaction than its predecessor.



TRACK CYPHER PEARL

May 2025

57.5 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22 – Prime Response Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.540 ▪ **RG Differential** .047

Review The Cypher Pearl stands out on medium to drier lane patterns with its strong, angular backend reaction.



DV8 DARK SIDE

April 2025

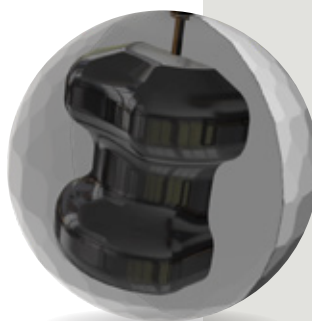
58 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Inciter Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.48 ▪ **RG Differential** .036

Review The Darkside would be a No. 2 or 3 ball to complement the Troublemaker Solid when the lanes start to open up and hook.



900 GLOBAL EMBER

August 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover RB 82 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.49 ▪ **RG Differential** .044

Review The Ember is a very good choice for speed-deprived players on hooking or shorter lane patterns.



BRUNSWICK ENERGIZE

November 2025

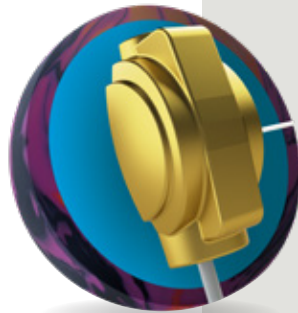
60.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C-Evo Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.478 ▪ RG Differential .048

Review The Energize brings the famous Zone Asymmetric core back, and along with it is a very good striking ball on medium patterns.



EBONITE ENTITY

August 2025

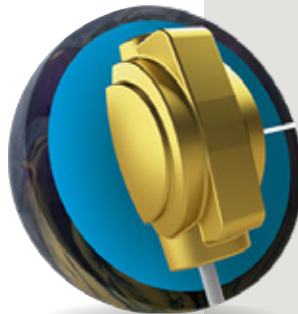
64 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C-Optimized Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 then 2000 Siaair Matte

RG n/a ▪ RG Differential .052

Review This ball needs some longer patterns and volume, but it will really help speed-dominant and rev-deprived players.



EBONITE ENTITY PEARL

December 2025

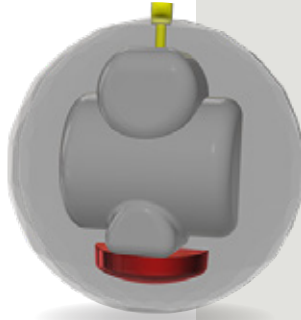
59.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C- Optimize Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.515 ▪ RG Differential .015

Review Provides a very clean motion through the fronts and a responsive backend motion for a big asymmetric-core bowling ball.



STORM EQUINOX

March 2025

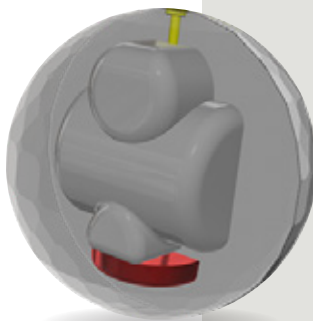
60 Hook ▪ **16 Length** ▪ **15 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover A1S Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.48 ▪ **RG Differential** .054

Review The Equinox is a very versatile big asymmetric ball for medium patterns.



STORM EQUINOX SOLID

October 2025

65.5 Hook ▪ **15.5 Length** ▪ **15.5 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover A2S Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2000 grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.48 ▪ **RG Differential** .054

Review The Equinox Solid brings a lot of hook and continuation to medium to longer patterns for various styles of players.



BRUNSWICK ETHOS SOLID

July 2025

62 Hook ▪ **15 Length** ▪ **15 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover SH 4.0 Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 2000 Siaair Micro Pad

RG 2.481 ▪ **RG Differential** .0534

Review The Ethos Solid is a very good benchmark ball for various styles on medium to longer patterns.



RADICAL EVIL EYE

November 2025

63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 1500 Siaair Matte

RG 2.49 ▪ RG Differential .046

Review One of the most versatile benchmark balls we have seen from Radical to date.



MOTIV EVOKE HYSTERIA

April 2025

56.5 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Propulsion MXV Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 4000 Grit LSS

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review The Hysteria is a very good choice for various styles, especially high-rev players with its bigger core and 4000-grit matte finish.



EBONITE GB5 PEARL

April 2025

57.5 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-GB 12.7 Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .048

Review One of the strongest pearls to date in the Gamebreaker legacy.



ROTO GRIP GREMLIN

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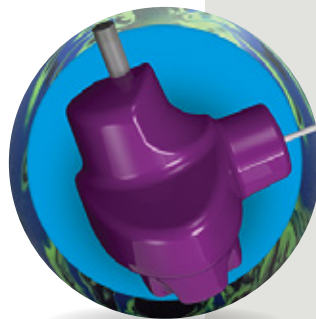
58 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover V-R1 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge

RG 2.50 ▪ RG Differential .058

Review The Roto Grip Gremlin looks cool and has a cool name, and its backend reaction doesn't disappoint on medium to drier lane patterns.



RADICAL GURU ORACLE

September 2025

65 Hook ▪ 14.5 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 then 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.50 ▪ RG Differential .044

Review The Guru Oracle is a very good choice for speed-dominant and rev-deprived players.



HAMMER HAMMERHEAD

April 2025

62 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Aggression Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.481 ▪ RG Differential .048

Review This symmetric ball will give low-rev and speed-dominant players a very strong ball for medium to longer patterns, with more backend continuation than your normal symmetric bowling balls.



DV8 HATER PEARL

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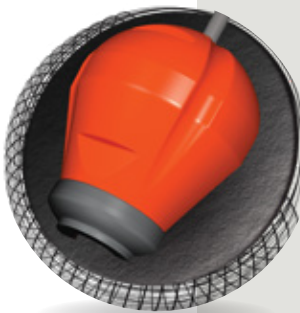
59 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Havoc Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.539 ▪ RG Differential .054

Review The Hater Pearl is a very good and strong asymmetric pearl for rev-deprived or speed-dominant players needing strong backend motion on medium lane conditions.



HAMMER HAZMAT PEARL

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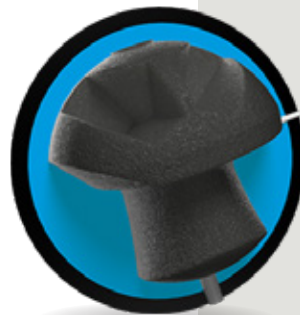
57.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Semtrex Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.479 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The Hazmat Pearl is a very good ball choice for players that are speed-deprived to create length and strong backend reaction for more area and hold.



DV8 HECKLER HYBRID

December 2025

59 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C-MMaximum Havoc Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish n/a

RG 2.504 ▪ RG Differential .051

Review Brings a cleaner and stronger motion to the Heckler line on medium-to-longer patterns.



BRUNSWICK HYPNOTIZE

March 2025

61 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Evo Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.510 ▪ RG Differential .056

Review The Hypnotize is a very good choice for players who are speed-dominant or rev-deprived and therefore need that big ball in their hands on medium to longer patterns.



STORM HY-ROAD 40

July 2025

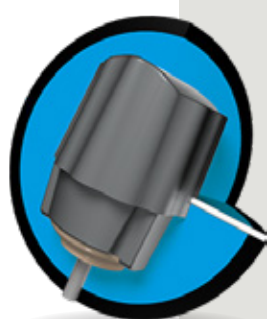
58 Hook ▪ 16.75 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover A1S™ Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge

RG 2.57 ▪ RG Differential .046

Review The new Hy-Road 40 brings the famous Hy-Road name to its new and improved Pearl version for medium-to-drier lanes.



BRUNSWICK INFINITY QUEST

September 2025

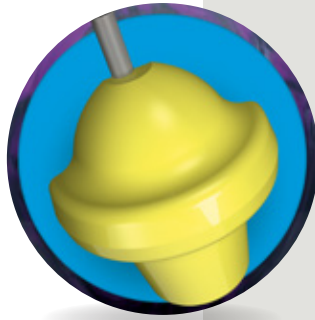
60 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Evo Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair / Crown then Factory Compound

RG 2.52 ▪ RG Differential .051

Review The Infinity Quest brings a polished solid coverstock to the Infinity line to create more predictable down-lane motion, especially on the fresh.



RADICAL INTEL RECON

November 2025

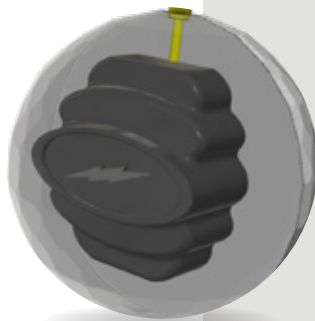
58.5 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16.25 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair and Factory

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .032

Review A very good choice for speed-deprived players or later in tournament blocks for higher-speed players.



STORM ION PRO SOLID

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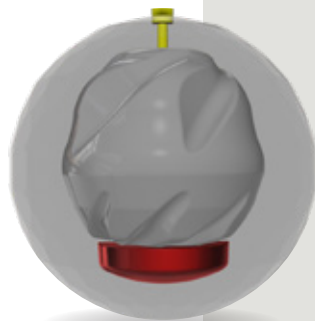
58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover TX-16™ Solid Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .035

Review The Ion Pro Solid brings the solid version to the Ion Pro line for predictable backend reaction on medium to drier lane patterns.



STORM IQ A.I.

April 2025

58 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover R2S Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .031

Review This ball creates a very good reaction on medium patterns for various styles.



MOTIV JACKAL ONYX

January 2025

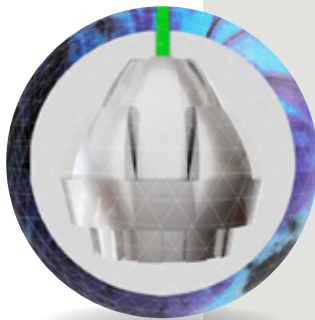
64.75 Hook ▪ 12.5 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Reactive

Box Finish 1000 Grit LSS

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The Jackal Onyx is a very good replacement for the Ambush with a strong coverstock that helps provide more continuation and covers a few more boards.



SWAG THE JUDGE

July 2025

60 Hook ▪ 15.25 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Swag Witness Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2500 grit matte

RG 2.49 ▪ RG Differential .052

Review The Judge is a good, versatile benchmark ball for various styles on medium lane patterns.



MOTIV LETHAL VENOM

March 2025

59 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Leverage MXC Solid Reactive

Box Finish 3000 Grit LSS Matte

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .036

Review The new Lethal Venom brings a stronger and smoother option to the Venom series.



STORM LEVEL

March 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ 14 Length ▪ 12 Breakpoint Shape

Cover RPM Solid Reactive

Box Finish 1000 Grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.59 ▪ RG Differential .027

Review The Level is a ball any tournament player wants in their bag, especially lower-rev players that have problems using or getting urethane to go through the pocket properly.



DV8 MANTRA SOLID

October 2025

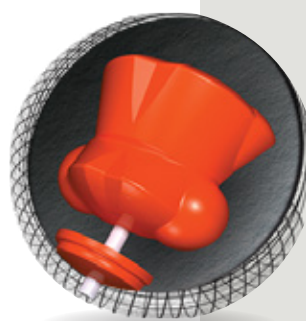
63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Inciter Xtreme Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.498 ▪ RG Differential .047

Review Helps save energy through the fronts and creates a continuous but predictable backend reaction for various styles of players.



HAMMER MAXIMUM EFFECT

October 2025

65.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Cohesion Hybrid CFI Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1500 Siaair Matte

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review Probably the strongest and most-hooking Hammer we have seen to date.



MOTIV MAX THRILL HYBRID

May 2025

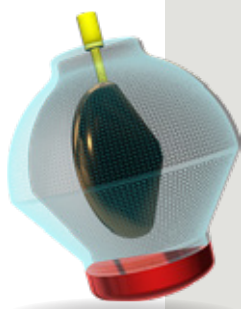
55.25 Hook ▪ 16.75 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Turmoil XP3 Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 5500 Grit LSP

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .054

Review The Max Thrill Hybrid definitely provides more hook and value than the original Thrills did, especially for speed-deprived players on drier lane patterns.



STORM NEXT FACTOR

December 2025

60.25 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover R3S Peral Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.56 ▪ RG Differential .051

Review Provides a strong backend reaction for a big asymmetric core on medium-to-longer patterns.



RADICAL NO DOUBT SOLID

July 2025

59.5 Hook ▪ 15.75 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Pure-Response Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compund

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .045

Review The No Doubt Solid brings a smooth, predictable benchmark ball for medium to drier patterns with its polished finish.



HAMMER NU 2.0

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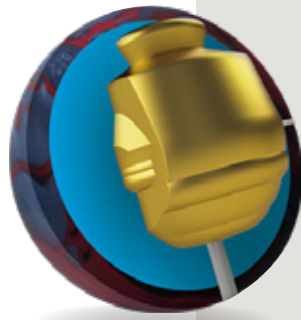
58 Hook ▪ **13 Length** ▪ **13 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover NU Active Not Reactive

Box Finish 500, 2000 Siaair Micro Pad Matte

RG 2.586 ▪ **RG Differential** .027

Review A good choice for a lot of players at tournaments that don't allow urethane bowling balls.



EBONITE THE ONE OVATION

October 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ **15.75 Length** ▪ **15.5 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover HK22C-GB15 Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then aFactory Compound

RG 2.46 ▪ **RG Differential** .056

Review The One Ovation is a very good choice for a big asymmetric ball with its shiny hybrid coverstock and strong but predictable backend.



900 GLOBAL ORIGIN EX

June 2025

63 Hook ▪ **15 Length** ▪ **15 Breakpoint Shape**

Cover RB 89 Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2000 Grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.48 ▪ **RG Differential** .050

Review The Origin EX is a very good replacement for players that loved the Reality but want stronger down-lane motion.



RADICAL OUTER LIMITS SOLID

February 2025

64.75 Hook ▪ 12.5 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK-22 Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.49 ▪ **RG Differential** .051

Review The Outer Limits Solid would be a very good choice for a No. 1 ball in your arsenal for speed-dominant or rev-deprived players on longer patterns.



TRACK PARAGON SHADOW

July 2025

62.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover QR-12 Hybrid (HK22C) Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1500 Siaair Micro Pad Matte

RG 2.486 ▪ **RG Differential** .056

Review The newest hybrid version of the Paragon is back with the Paragon Shadow, which is best suited for medium to longer patterns.



STORM PHAZE II PEARL

December 2025

59 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover TX-25 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.48 ▪ **RG Differential** .051

Review This ball was much more responsive and angular than we expected, and true Phaze II lovers won't be disappointed.



STORM PHYSIX BLACKOUT

January 2025

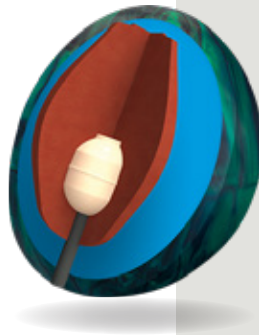
61 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover NeX Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 2000 grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The Physix Blackout is a very versatile asymmetric bowling ball for various styles of players.



C300 PIRANHA POWERCOR PEARL

March 2025

59 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-ERT+ Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.518 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review Players with slower ball speeds will like the easy push through the fronts and strong back-end ball reaction this option features.



RADICAL POWER HITTER

July 2025

59 Hook ▪ 15.75 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C Textured Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .053

Review The Power Hitter fills in the Hitter line nicely with a hybrid counterpart for medium to drier patterns.



MOTIV PRIMAL GHOST

September 2025

62.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Coercion HFS Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1500 Siaair Micro Pad

RG 2.55 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review The new Primal Ghost brings two of Motiv's more successful namesakes together for medium to longer patterns.



MOTIV PRIMAL RAGE EVOLUTION

January 2025

58 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Propulsion FYJ Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 5500 Grit LSP

RG 2.55 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review The Primal Rage Evolution is a very good choice as a main ball or when patterns start to open up and you need that high RG and differential bowling ball that is clean and strong on the backend.



C300 PULSE

September 2025

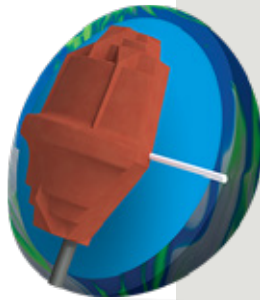
64 Hook ▪ 15.25 Length ▪ 15.25 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22 Hyperflex Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 then 1500 Siaair Matte

RG 2.468 ▪ RG Differential .045

Review The Pulse is back and just as good as it was the first time around but with a lot more total hook.



C300 RALLY

May 2025

60 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22- Formula 1 Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Crown Factory Compound

RG 2.478 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review The Rally is versatile for various styles of players — especially speed-dominant bowlers — and it saves energy downlane through the pocket area.



MOTIV RAPTOR REIGN

November 2025

64 Hook ▪ 14 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Leverage MXV Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2000 grit LSS

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The Raptor Reign is a strong symmetric ball for medium-to-longer patterns with a strong, continuous motion through the pocket area.



C300 RICOCHET RETURN

November 2025

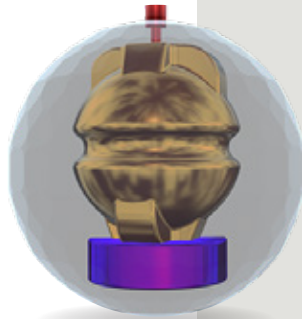
60.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-Micro Flex Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500 Siaair, then Factory Compound and Factory Polish

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .054

Review The Ricochet Return brings a stronger overall hook to the Ricochet line for medium-to-dry lanes.



ROTO GRIP ROCKSTAR

March 2025

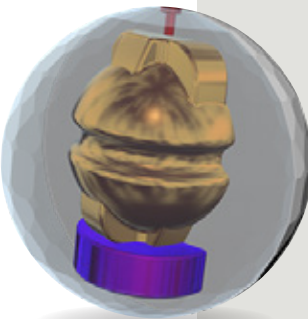
64.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover NanoStar Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2000 Grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review Idol lovers should find plenty to like as this ball will easily replace the Optimum Idol with a similar ball motion but stronger overall total hook.



ROTO GRIP ROCKSTAR AMPED

October 2025

57.5 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 15.75 Breakpoint Shape

Cover NanoStar Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .050

Review The Amped provides more skid and flip for medium to drier lane patterns than the Rockstar Solid.



ROTO GRIP RST HYPERDRIVE

April 2025

65 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover MicroTrax Solid Reactive

Box Finish 2000 grit Abralon Matte

RG 2.52 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The RST Hyperdrive brings one of the strongest bowling balls on the market to the Roto Grip arsenal.



ROTO GRIP RST HYPERDRIVE PEARL

September 2025

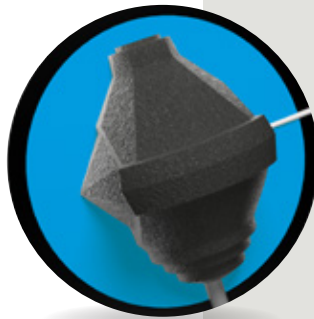
59.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover U-R1 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edg

RG 2.52 ▪ RG Differential .051

Review The RST Hyperdrive Pearl is very good for medium and longer patterns with a good skid through the fronts and strong backend reaction.



DV8 SEVERE COLLISION

August 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C-Havoc Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.462 ▪ RG Differential .052

Review The Severe Collision is a good choice for speed-deprived players and various rev rates with its easy push but responsive and predictable backend reaction.



MOTIV SHADOWTANK

December 2025

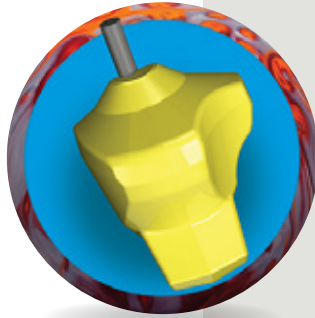
52.5 Hook ▪ 11.5 Length ▪ 12.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Frixion M7 Pearl MCP

Box Finish 1000 Grit LSS

RG 2.57 ▪ RG Differential .015

Review Urethane lovers and high-rev players will like this answer for medium-to-light patterns.



RADICAL SNAPSHOT

February 2025

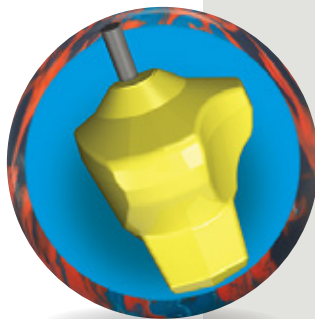
57 Hook ▪ 16.5 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK-22C+ Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound.

RG 2.52 ▪ **RG Differential** .050

Review The Snapshot brings a very strong backend ball reaction to the Radical line for a very good value on medium to drier lane patterns.



RADICAL SNAPSHOT HYBRID

September 2025

63 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C+ Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500 then 3000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.52 ▪ **RG Differential** .050

Review The Snapshot Hybrid brings a matte hybrid version to the Snapshot line to create more total hook than the OG Snapshot while still providing some down-lane reaction.



HAMMER SPECIAL EFFECT

April 2025

59 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK-22 Cohesion Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.470 ▪ **RG Differential** .050

Review The new Special Effect brings a very predictable, strong, solid asymmetric bowling ball but with a polished solid coverstock.



TRACK STEALTH MODE

March 2025

64.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover QR-10 Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 1500 Siaair Matte

RG 2.482 ▪ RG Differential .056

Review This is a very strong benchmark ball that should prove versatile for players needing a strong symmetric solid with quite a bit of hook.



MOTIV STEEL FORGE

September 2025

58 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Propulsion MXV Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 5000 Grit LSS

RG 2.47 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The new Steel Forge from Motiv brings a good symmetric pearl to the line for medium to drier patterns.



C300 SUPER CUDA PEARL

July 2025

58.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22- Formula 1 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.501 ▪ RG Differential .055

Review The Super Cuda Pearl provides a very good pearl version of the Super Cuda for medium to drier lane patterns.



TRACK THEOREM SOLID

September 2025

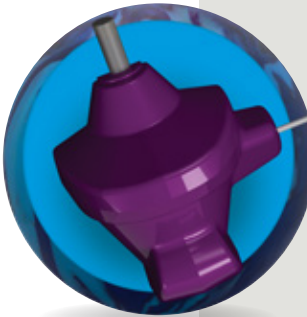
62.5 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Super Response HK22C Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 2000 Siaair Micro Pad

RG 2.473 ▪ RG Differential .046

Review The Theorem Solid will be a very good No. 1 or 2 ball on the fresh.



RADICAL TORPEDO

April 2025

59 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK-22C-SH 4.0Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 2000 Siaair Matte

RG 2.481 ▪ RG Differential .053

Review The Torpedo brings a big asymmetrical pearl bowling ball to the Radical line for medium to longer patterns.



RADICAL TORPEDO DIRECT HIT

April 2025

50 Hook ▪ 17 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Low Friction Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 2000 Siaair/Factory Compound/Factory Polish

RG 2.482 ▪ RG Differential .054

Review The Torpedo Direct Hit brings a very big asymmetric core to a very low dosage of reactive coverstock for extremely dry lane patterns.



DV8 TROUBLEMAKER SOLID

February 2025

65 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Havoc Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500 and 1500 Siaair Matte

RG 2.496 ▪ RG Differential .045

Review This is a big-hooking bowling ball that doesn't hook at your feet but really reads the mid-lane and is very continuous through the pocket area.



EBONITE TURBOX

June 2025

59 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 14.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22-GB 10.7 Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair/Factory Compound

RG 2.517 ▪ RG Differential .040

Review The TurboX makes a good choice with its easy push through the fronts and clean, smooth backend reaction to create hold and recovery area for lower-speed players or rev-dominant players.



ROTO GRIP ULTIMATE WRECKER

June 2025

57.5 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Pure-Response Hybrid Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.540 ▪ RG Differential .045

Review The Ultimate Wrecker is a good ball for speed-deprived players on medium to drier lane patterns.



SWAG UNREAL

July 2025

58 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover SWAG Never Quit Solid Reactive

Box Finish 1500 Grit Polish

RG 2.51 ▪ RG Differential .047

Review The Swag Unreal is a good benchmark ball for medium to drier lane patterns.



900 GLOBAL VIKING

November 2025

59.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover RB 90 Hybrid Reactive. Color: Copper, Steel and Deep Purple

Box Finish Power Edge Polish

RG 2.51 ▪ RG Differential .052

Review The Viking is a little cleaner and stronger in the backend than the Origin, and it complements the Origin Ex when it loses its energy at the pocket.



900 GLOBAL ZEN 25

February 2025

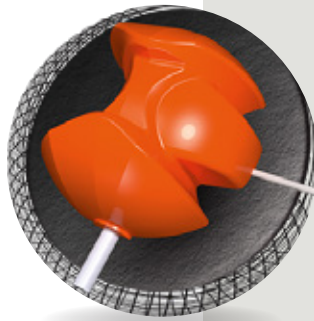
59 Hook ▪ 16 Length ▪ 16 Breakpoint Shape

Cover Reserve 83 Pearl Reactive

Box Finish Power Edge

RG 2.48 ▪ RG Differential .053

Review The Zen truly is back with obvious appeal on medium patterns for all Zen lovers.



HAMMER ZERO MERCY PEARL

December 2025

59.5 Hook ▪ 15.5 Length ▪ 15.5 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C Squared Pearl Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1000, 1500 Siaair then Factory Compound

RG 2.524 ▪ RG Differential .053

Review A strong, big asymmetric-pearl bowling ball for medium-to-longer patterns with a clean push through the fronts and strong backend motion.



HAMMER ZERO MERCY SOLID

December 2025

65 Hook ▪ 15 Length ▪ 15 Breakpoint Shape

Cover HK22C Squared Solid Reactive

Box Finish 500, 1500 Siaair Micro Pad Matte

RG 2.524 ▪ RG Differential .053

Review Brings a lot of hook to the Hammer line on longer and heavier patterns.

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