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A **bowler profile** is the foundation of everything in Spectre Cloud. Every spec sheet, arsenal entry, layout history, and auto-suggestion is anchored to a bowler profile — without one, there is nowhere to store a fitting. This page walks through creating a bowler profile for the first time, from opening the Bowlers section to saving a complete record ready for a first spec sheet.

Before You Start

You will need the following information to hand before creating a new bowler profile. Not all fields are required to save a profile, but the more complete the record from the start, the more useful Spectre Cloud's auto-suggestion features will be from the first fitting session.

- Bowler's full name.
- Dominant hand (right or left).
- Grip style (fingertip, conventional, or semi-fingertip).

- Contact information — email and/or phone number. **Required for Bowler Plus plugin users** who capture full addresses and consent signatures.
- Any known fitting measurements — PAP, span, pitches, insert preferences — if available from a previous shop or existing drilling record.

Note: It is not necessary to have all measurements before creating a profile. A name and dominant hand is enough to create a record and begin a first spec sheet. Measurements can be added during the fitting session or updated at any time.

Creating a Bowler Profile — Desktop

1. From any screen, click the **BOWLERS** button in the top navigation menu.
2. Click **New Bowler** (or the **+** button, depending on your view). *△ Verify with your Spectre team: confirm the exact label and location of the new bowler button in the current desktop UI.*
3. The new bowler form opens. Enter the bowler's **full name** in the name field.
4. Select the bowler's **dominant hand** — Right or Left.
5. Select the bowler's **grip style** — Fingertip, Conventional, or Semi-Fingertip.
6. Enter contact details as appropriate for your shop's records.
7. Add any known fitting measurements in the relevant profile fields — PAP, axis tilt, axis rotation, rev rate, ball speed, hand flexibility, CLT. Leave blank any measurements not yet taken.
8. Click **Save** to create the profile. *△ Verify with your Spectre team: confirm the exact save action label and whether the profile auto-saves or requires an explicit save button press.*

Creating a Bowler Profile — Mobile

1. From any screen, tap the **avatar icon** in the top navigation area.
2. Tap **New Bowler** or the **+** button. *△ Verify with your Spectre team: confirm the exact mobile UI entry point for creating a new bowler.*
3. Complete the same fields as the desktop workflow above — name, dominant hand, grip style, contact details, and any known measurements.
4. Tap **Save** to create the profile.

Tip: On mobile, the bowler profile form may present fields in a single scrolling column rather than the multi-column layout used on desktop. All the same fields are available — the layout adapts to the screen size. A minimum 8" screen is recommended for the most comfortable fitting session workflow.

☐☐ Bowler Profile Fields — Reference

The table below covers the key fields on the bowler profile form. Fields marked as required must be completed before the profile can be saved; all others can be filled in now or updated later.

Field	Required	Notes
Full name	Yes	Used to identify the bowler across spec sheets, arsenal, and history
Dominant hand	Yes	Drives Auto-Invert (2.6.4) and lateral pitch sign conventions
Grip style	Recommended	Drives Autofill Bridge (2.6.5), Autofill Insert OD (2.6.6), and span suggestions
Contact information	Optional (required for Bowler Plus)	Email and/or phone; full address available with Bowler Plus plugin
PAP	Recommended	Required for layout suggestions — drives Auto-Suggest Layouts (2.6.10) and all structured layout types
Axis tilt / rotation	Optional	Enhances Auto-Suggest Layouts quality; can be measured and added after initial profile creation
Rev rate / ball speed	Optional	Further enhances layout suggestions; can be estimated initially and refined over time
Hand flexibility	Optional	Required for Pitch Suggestion (2.6.2) to fire
CLT	Optional	Required for Auto-CLT (2.6.3) to fire
Delivery style	Recommended	Identifies two-handed bowlers for 2LS layout suggestions (2.5.1.2)

Note: ⚠ *Verify with your Spectre team: confirm the complete list of fields on the bowler profile form, which are required vs. optional, and whether any fields listed above are located on individual spec sheets rather than the profile itself.*

☐☐ Bowler Plus Plugin

Users with the **Bowler Plus plugin** (\$5 USD/month) have access to additional profile fields and features not available in the core plan:

- ☐ **Full address** — store the bowler's complete mailing address on their profile.
- ☐ **Image gallery** — attach photos to the bowler's profile, such as hand measurement images or fitting reference photos.
- ☐ **Client consent signatures** — capture a digital signature from the bowler, useful for shops that maintain a liability or consent record for their fitting services.

Note: Bowler Plus fields are only visible and editable if the plugin is active on your account. If Bowler Plus is deactivated, its data is retained in read-only form — it will not be lost, but cannot be edited until the plugin is reactivated.

Your New Profile Is Immediately Available Everywhere

As soon as a bowler profile is saved, it is available across all devices logged into your Spectre Cloud account. A profile created on a desktop at the front counter is immediately accessible on a tablet at the drill press, with no manual sync required.

- ☐ Profile data syncs in real time across all devices on your account.
- ☐ Multi-location shops: a profile created at one location is accessible at all other locations on the same account. *⚠ Verify with your Spectre team: confirm whether bowler profiles are shared across locations on a multi-location account, consistent with the question raised in 2.6.1.*

☐☐ What Happens Next

With the bowler profile saved, you are ready to begin a spec sheet. The profile record acts as the anchor for all fitting data going forward — every ball drilled, every layout recorded, and every measurement updated will be stored here and accessible in future sessions.

- ☐ To start a spec sheet immediately, navigate to the bowler's profile and select **New Spec Sheet**.
- ☐ To add a ball to the bowler's arsenal, navigate to their profile and select **Arsenal**.

- To return to the profile later and add measurements taken during the fitting, open the profile from the Bowlers list and edit the relevant fields.

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Tip: Take the time to capture as many profile measurements as possible during the first fitting session — PAP, hand flexibility, CLT, grip style, and delivery style together unlock most of Spectre Cloud's auto-suggestion features from the very first spec sheet. A five-minute intake investment pays off on every fitting that follows.

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