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RE: Bowling Ball Date of Manufacture

Listed below is a chart showing how to determine the date of manufacture of a bowling ball by the ball's serial number.

(NOTE: If the serial numbering on a ball does not match the examples below, the manufacturer should be contacted for clarification.)

Bowling Ball Manufacturer	Serial Number Example <i>(Date code in example below is enlarged, bold and underlined)</i>	Date of Manufacture in Example	Explanation of Serial #
900 Global	<u>18</u> GFPE <u>09</u> Y083	May 9, 2018	First 2 numbers are year, 4th letter is month (A = January, B = February, etc.), next two numbers are date.
Brunswick	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
Columbia 300	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
DV8	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
Ebonite	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
Hammer	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
Motiv	<u>WBM</u> 05901	February 2022	Second letter is month (A = January, B = February), third letter is year (L = 2019, M = 2020, N = 2021, O = 2022, P = 2023)
Storm	<u>18TKWA</u> <u>11</u> A005	January 11, 2018	First 2 numbers are year, 4th letter is month (A = January, B = February, etc.), next two numbers are date.
Radical	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)
Roto Grip	<u>18TKWA</u> <u>11</u> A005	January 11, 2018	First 2 numbers are year, 4th letter is month (A = January, B = February, etc.), next two numbers are date.
SWAG	<u>22M</u> 0174	August 2022	First 2 numbers are year, 3rd letter is the order of manufacturing. Anything after L in 2022 is Aug or later. Big Bro Burn Up LE is 22T, after Aug.
Track	<u>AL</u> P51134	January 2018	First letter is month (A = January, B = February), second letter is year (M = 2019, N = 2020, O = 2021, P = 2022, R = 2023)