

TOURNAMENT RULES FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

1. This tournament is USBC certified. Members must belong to a local association in the State of Missouri. Individual membership cards must be presented at the time of bowling.
2. Teams must be made up of two men and two women. Doubles must be made up of one man and one woman.
3. Multiple participation will be allowed by changing at least two bowlers on a team, at least one bowler in doubles.
4. OPTIONAL HANDICAP ALL-EVENTS. Entrants will use their series total in team event plus doubles event including handicap to determine all-events score. Multiple entrants must use their first team and first doubles event scores for all events.
5. OPTIONAL SCRATCH TEAM, DOUBLES AND ALL-EVENTS. **You must enter handicap division before you may enter scratch division in any event.** Entire team must pay scratch fee (\$20) to be entered in scratch team event. Doubles partners must pay scratch fee (\$10) to be entered in scratch doubles event.
6. No team may include more than one member of any professional bowler's organization, men or women.
7. Handicap is 100% of 220 scratch on an individual basis.
8. AVERAGES: All averages must be verifiable from an USBC certified league. Bowlers will use their highest 2007-2008 USBC certified (book) average of 21 games or more. If no book average, bowler may use 2008 summer league average of 12 games or more, if none of the aforementioned, you may use 2008-2009 league average of 12 games or more as of closing date of entries. All others will bowl scratch. USBC Rule 319a2., 10 pins over average rule will not apply to this tournament. The average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before the entrant bowls. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded. USBC Rule 319c.
9. USBC Rule 319a3., will apply. All bowlers are responsible for verifying their own average, whether submitted by the bowler, the team captain or others. If submitted average is lower than required and results in more handicap, the bowler's score is subject to disqualification. If submitted average is higher than required, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average.
10. Bowlers must submit for possible re-rating, if their accumulated average for all, but not less than 21 tournament games exceeds the average to be used for entry by 15 or more pins. In that case, the number of pins to be added to the entering average is 80% of the difference between entering average and the accumulated tournament average, Refer to USBC Rule 319e.
11. All bowlers who have qualified for a cash and/or merchandise prize of \$600.00 or more in the position standings prize list in any tournament within the past 12 months, must report his/her actual score, position, and amount won to the tournament director at the time of bowling for possible re-rating. Refer to USBC Rule 319d.
12. Prize Fee will be returned 100%. Prize Ratio: 1 for 6 or better.
13. Substitutions must be made no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of a squad. All substitutions must be accompanied by verification of average.
14. Tournament Director has the right to reassign lanes during the tournament because of equipment malfunctions, etc. All decisions of the Tournament Director are final unless appealed. Refer to USBC Rule 329.

The entrants whose names appear hereon, or their authorized replacements, hereby agree that the Missouri State USBC Association, its officers and agents, shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling in any event in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament which may be brought about by war, national emergency, or emergencies or causes relating to or resulting from, fires, strikes, lockout, labor difficulties, or other causes beyond the control of the Missouri State USBC Association.

Notice will be mailed to the team captain confirming date and time of bowling.

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