

USBC SANCTIONED: This tournament is sanctioned by the United States Bowling Congress and as such is governed strictly by the rules and regulations of that organization. Only members of the USBC are eligible to compete, but any eligible non-member may purchase an affiliate membership for \$20.00 for which the USBC will issue an affiliate membership card.

MULTIPLE PARTICIPATION: Permitted in the five-person team event, with a **MAXIMUM OF THREE TIMES**. Not more than three persons on the same team can place more than once in the prize list for position standings. A bowler may bowl only once in the singles and doubles. In the all events, the bowler's first five person team score is used.

A BOWLER WITH ANY PBA/WPBA MEMBERSHIP CARD DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS, PRIOR TO BOWLING, IS ELIGIBLE TO BOWL IN TEAM EVENT ONLY. THERE IS A LIMIT OF ONE PBA/WPBA MEMBER PER TEAM. PBA/PWBA MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TO BOWL IN THE SINGLES OR DOUBLES EVENTS.

HANDICAP: This tournament will operate as strictly handicap. Handicap based on 90% from 220 (team concept), i.e., 3300 in the five person team, 1320 in the two person team and 660 in the one person team, using each bowlers highest sanctioned USBC average of any association, for 21 or more games during the 20010-2011 season, winter or summer. A bowler having no qualified league average for the 2010-2011 season will use their highest current sanctioned league average for 21 or more games as of their first time bowling an event in this year's tournament. Bowlers who do not qualify under the above rules, must bowl scratch, using an average of 220, each event.

NOTE: Highest Winter or Summer League Average is to be used!

USBC SPORT LEAGUE AVERAGE: A BOWLER WITH ONLY AN "USBC SPORT LEAGUE AVERAGE", THE USBC "SPORT LEAGUE" AVERAGE ADJUSTMENT CHART WILL BE USED. HOWEVER, SUCH BOWLER MUST SEND THEIR HIGHEST NON-SPORT SANCTIONED LEAGUE AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 21 GAMES, FOR THEIR TWO MOST RECENT BOWLING SEASONS, WITH THE ENTRY BLANK, FOR POSSIBLE RE-RATE.

A bowler with an average only in a league that uses a 'Sport-Like' condition, but not sanctioned as a "Sport League", needs to report this condition to the tournament manager. Bowler average will be re-rated.

MAXIMUM HANDICAP: Five person team 945 Two person team 378 One person team 189 All events 567

TEN PIN RULE requires that if a bowler's current average (at least 21 games) at the time of bowling the first event of this 2012 tournament, is ten or more pins higher, that higher average must be used, and for the remainder of the tournament, unless re-rated.

AVERAGES will be shown on the recap sheets. It will be the responsibility of each bowler to verify the accuracy of the average used. The use of a lower than true average may disqualify any score which was based on the incorrect average, and no correction can be made for the use of a higher than true average. Average corrections can be made up to the end of the first game of a series. Or, if an extension of time has been granted in writing by tournament management before the end of the first game of a series, the correction can be made within 48 hours.

RE-RATE: Tournament management reserves the right to re-rate entrants prior to bowling an event. Re-rating, if accomplished, will follow the procedures of USBC rules. Those entrants affected by this rule shall be re-rated prior to bowling in accordance with its terms. It is not required that winnings in excess of \$600 to be reported.

SCORE TRANSFER: Bowlers will certify their score as being correct at the completion of each game, when being transferred from the automatic scoring machine to the recap sheets, as the scores from the automatic scoring machines will be erased at the end of each game.

LOST FRAME(S): A tournament game or frames; within a game that is irretrievably lost in the scoring process may be re-bowled with the approval of tournament management. The decision of tournament management shall be final unless appealed to USBC.

LATE ARRIVAL: A bowler arriving late will be permitted to bowl but the score will start in the frame in which the bowler enters the game. No score will be allowed for any frames missed.

NO UNREASONABLE DELAY in the progress of any game shall be allowed. Any bowler or team refusing to proceed with the game after being directed to do so by proper authorities, may be given a zero for the appropriate frame(s); or such game or series may be declared forfeited. **WE ADHERE TO THE ONE LANE COURTESY RULE AND BEING READY TO BOWL WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN.**

LANE ASSIGNMENTS: Computer and tournament officials make lane assignments. Bowlers remain on the same pair of lanes in the minor events.

CHECK IN TIME: Is thirty minutes prior to the squad start time. If there is a breakdown of the automatic pin spotters or scoring machines, tournament management reserves the right to move the bowlers to another pair of lanes.

PROTESTS: Tournament management reserves the exclusive right to make any rule or to issue any formal opinion not covered by the rules and regulations of the USBC and their judgment will be final, unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC rules. The penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations of this tournament could be suspension from organized bowling.

PRIZE FEES: Returned 100% in cash prizes with a ratio of one prize for each five (5) entries in the handicap five person, two person and one person events, and one prize for each twenty (20) entries in the all-events.

OPTIONAL SCRATCH PRIZE LIST: For each event a bowler is entered in the regular tournament, a bowler can enter the optional scratch events with an additional payment of \$5.00 per person, per event. Five person team total \$25.00; two singles, one double pair, total \$20.00, (must enter both); and all-events total \$5.00 (all events based on six games, using single and double scores). All optional scratch money will be used for the optional scratch prize list. The prize ratio will be the same as the regular prize list. Scores qualify for both scratch and handicap divisions.

AWARDS: To the first place winners in each event, including an award for the sponsor of the winning scratch and handicap five person teams. However, if the same team or individual qualifies for both the scratch and handicap awards, only one award will be made.

ALL-EVENTS: A bowler participating in all three events is automatically in regular all- events regardless of with who or when, without any further payment. All event prizes (\$3.50 each in all events) is paid from expense fees.

ENTRY FEES - \$25.00 per person, per event:

Five Person Team: Bowling \$41.25 – Prize \$63.75 - Expense \$20.00 for a Total of \$125.00 (\$25.00 per person)
One Double/Two Singles (must bowl both): Bowling \$33.00 – Prize \$51.00 –Expense \$16.00 for a Total of \$ 100.00 (\$50.00 per person)

RETURN OF ENTRY: Your entry may be returned if required information, or acceptable fees are not paid.

PREMATURE TERMINATION of the tournament brought about by war, national emergency, fire or other reasons beyond the control of the GSBA shall cause the foregoing prize schedules to be pro-rated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled up to time of termination.

USBC ID Numbers Required for each participant. It is very difficult to ensure we have identified the correct participants when a bowler has a common name or is a Junior or Senior or goes by a nickname. Please help by supplying the USBC number for each of your bowlers.