



# WASHINGTON STATE USBC ASSOCIATION MIXED TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** All bowlers must be members of the United States Bowling Congress, having obtained membership through a local association within the jurisdiction of the Washington State USBC Association (WSUSBC) or a reciprocal Association in Idaho or Oregon. Non-USBC members may establish eligibility by purchasing an associate membership. Nonresidents not showing proof of membership obtained through a local jurisdiction of the WSUSBC will be required to purchase an associate membership.
2. **AVERAGE REQUIREMENT/VERIFICATION:** Entrants will use their highest USBC or CTF certified league yearbook or association average based on the 2021-2022 season with a minimum of 21 games, including summer league average. If the bowlers have no qualifying average from 2021-2022 then they may enter using their highest 2022-2023 average for 12 or more games at the time of bowling. **USBC Rules 319(d) and 319(e) apply in this tournament**, all others bowl scratch. Average verification must be submitted prior to bowling if a bowler's confirmation has an asterisk next to his/her name. Failure to use the proper average or to make correction prior to, or before, completion of the first game of any event shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than actual average, or base prize winnings on submitted average if higher. **Entrants without a verified average will automatically be assigned an average of 230. USBC Rule 319a (2) does not apply.**  
All entrants having only a SPORT LEAGUE or CHALLENGE LEAGUE average must report this fact to the Tournament Manager. All Sport League-only OR Challenge league averages will be adjusted using the USBC recommended scale (2022-2023 Playing Rules Manual), Rule 203. Bowlers with a Sport League, Challenge League and a regular average **must use the higher average.**
3. Bowler must use average with hand established.
4. **TEAM CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITY:** The acceptance of an entry by tournament management constitutes an agreement by the captain on behalf of the team to abide by all rules of USBC and the tournament. *See USBC Rule 304.*
5. **RESERVATIONS/CLOSING DATE:** Phone or e-mail reservations will be accepted until July 8, 2023. Completed entry forms and fees must be received in full in the Tournament Manager's office within 7 days of reservation. The Tournament manager reserves the right to extend the entries if there is room on any squad and fees are paid in full. **All entry fees must accompany entry form.**
6. **ENTRYFEES/PAYOUTS/RETURNED CHECK CHARGES:** \$120.00 for 4-person Team; \$60.00 for Doubles; \$30.00 for Singles; (optional) All Events (scratch and/or handicap), \$5.00 each. Prize fund - \$14.00; lineage and expenses - \$16.00 per person, per event. Payout 1 in 6 (1 in 12 in All Events). Prize fund will be returned 100%. Trophy or plaque will be awarded to the champions in each event. **No entry fee will be returned after acceptance of assigned scheduled time.** A \$35.00 fee plus bank fees may be charged for any check returned by the bank, credit unions, etc. Any prize check that needs to be re-printed due to being lost, ruined, etc., a fee of \$10 will be charged for the stop payment fee at the bank.
6. **HANDICAP:** 90% of 230.
7. **MULTIPLE PARTICIPATION:** The tournament will consist of a mixed team event (**2 USBC MALE MEMBERS & 2 USBC FEMALE MEMBERS**), mixed doubles (**1 USBC MALE MEMBER AND 1 USBC FEMALE MEMBER**) and singles. Multiple participation is allowed in the team event as long as 2 players in the lineup are changed. Multiple participation is allowed in the doubles event, one person must be changed. Multiple participation is allowed in singles. USBC rules 315b and 315d will apply. The first time bowled in each event counts towards your All Events. Cash only once in Singles.
8. **SUBSTITUTIONS/LINEUP CHANGES:** Changes in lineups are not allowed; rule 324a does not apply. Substitutions may be made up to 1 (one) hour before time of bowling, substitute must take lineup position of absent bowler. Averages for substitute bowlers must be listed in a yearbook or certified by the local association manager or league secretary at the time of bowling; otherwise, bowler will be entered scratch. Substitutes will not be required to reimburse the original entrants with the entry fee paid, nor will they be expected to give the original entrant any prize money or trophy they may win.
9. **PROFESSIONAL BOWLER ASSOCIATION (PBA & PWBA) MEMBERS:** No Doubles team or 4-player team may include more than one member of either Professional Bowlers Association [PBA & PWBA].
10. **SPECIAL PRIZES:** A special prize of \$25 each will be awarded to the man and woman rolling the highest scratch game of the tournament. A special prize of \$50 each will be awarded to the man and woman rolling the highest scratch series of the tournament.
11. **ERRORS/SCORES LOST:** All claims of error must be submitted in writing to the WSUSBC Association Manager within 48 hours after the bowler or team has bowled.

Total entry fee must be forwarded with entry form. Remit by check or money order. Make checks payable to Washington State USBC. There will be a \$35 fee on any returned check (Rule 6).

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**Contact Tournament Manager for Reservations**