



NORTH COUNTY USBC ASSOCIATION



2023-2024 City / Woman's Tournament Rules

RULES AND REGULATIONS: USBC rules and regulations, and those listed herein govern this tournament.

PARTICIPATION NOTES: This is a month-long tournament, from March 1st, 2024, through March 31st, 2024. Each event will be bowled on a different week (same day, same league), Every member of your team will also be from same league, no different leagues or houses. If you bowl at Bowlero or Surf, you can only bowl with other bowlers from same house, same league, NO cross leagues.

SCORE VERIFICATION: When you finish each session, you will attach a copy of each session's scores (for verification).

ELIGIBILITY: This tournament is open to all North County USBC Adult members. Must hold current membership card.

TOURNAMENT EVENTS: The tournament shall consist of four city championship events as follows: Team (four person); Doubles (two person); Singles & All Events (Individual). There will be a handicap and scratch division in each event. No more than one person classified as a Professional Bowler may participate on a doubles team. No more than two people classified as a Professional Bowler may participate on a four-person team. You may NOT participate in any handicap event if you have entered in a Scratch division.

AVERAGE, HANDICAP and Average Adjustment: A bowler's average shall be based on their highest Composite Average from the last three seasons based on bowl.com (2021-2023). If none, an entrant may use their highest current average of 21 or more games as of Feb 29, 2024. **If no average has been established, an average of 180 will be used for women and 200 for men.**

HANDICAP: Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference of a bowler's average and 200, 180 for women. It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify and provide proof of the accuracy of their average.

AVERAGE ADJUSTMENT (Rerating): USBC 319a. Conditions that apply. The following conditions apply to averages in handicap or classified tournaments, unless the tournament rules state otherwise, except that only USBC league averages shall be accepted. (See USBC Rule 319c for average adjustment, page 75 of the rulebook)

1. The bowler is required to submit the previous season's highest average of: a) A single USBC league average based on a minimum of 21 games; or b) A composite average of all USBC leagues, including leagues with less than 21 games bowled.
2. When the previous season's average is used, and at the time of bowling an entrant has a current average for 21 or more games that is 10 pins or more higher than the prior season's average, the current average must be used.
3. Bowlers are responsible for verifying his/her own average, whether submitted by the bowler, the team captain or others. If the submitted average is lower than required and results in a lower classification or more handicap, the bowler's score is disqualified. If the submitted average is higher than required, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average. In the case of a team of two or more bowlers, the averages will be combined to determine if the correct total is higher or lower than the submitted total.
4. Average corrections can be made up to the end of the bowler's 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 after the end of the series. USBC Rule 319e in its entirety shall not apply (Page 76 of the current rule book).



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GENERAL INFORMATION & RULES: Any returned checks will incur a \$35.00 service fee plus any bank charges. In the event a bowler is tardy, they may still participate starting in the frame currently being bowled. Previous frames will be scores with a zero. USBC Rule 11: Any delay that disrupts the flow or rhythm of the game will result in a zero for that frame. Lineup changes will not be permitted.

EQUIPMENT: Once competition has started, altering the surface of bowling balls using abrasives, cleaners, or polish is prohibited. The outer surface may only be cleaned with a dry towel, USBC created an exception for Rule 18, which restricts the use of liquid cleaners to clean the outer surface of the bowling ball during USBC certified competition. The exception for Rule 18 applies only to isopropyl alcohol – no other USBC-approved cleaners will be allowed during competition. Isopropyl Alcohol will be provided by a Tournament Official.

SUBSTITUTIONS: Substitutions are permitted in each event (Team/Doubles/Singles) and shall bowl in the same position as the person replaced. Team Captains are responsible for the substitute bowler's average verification. Any monetary arrangements between the original bowler and substitute shall be submitted to the Tournament Manager.

AWARDS & PRIZE LIST: Prize fund will be paid 100% in each event. Awards for champions will be given in team, doubles, singles and all events for scratch and handicap divisions. At least one in ten (10) entries in the Handicap and Scratch Team, and at least one in six (6) Doubles, Singles, and All Events will be awarded. Co-champions will be declared for any ties.

ENTRY FEES AND REFUNDS: Entry forms must be complete & will not be accepted without entry fees paid in full. REFUNDS: No team or individual shall be entitled to a refund after the entry fees have been received and definite dates assigned.

PROTESTS & APPEALS: USBC Rule 329: protests and appeals must be in writing stating the grounds for the protest or appeal. A protest involving eligibility or plain rules must be filed with tournament management within 72 hours of the infraction, or prior to tournament prize being paid, whichever occurs first. The decision of the tournament management shall be final, unless a written appeal is filed with the local association or USBC Headquarters within 10 days of notification of the tournament management's decision. Upon notification of a protest or appeal, tournament management must withhold all affected prizes until the protest or appeal is resolved. The decision of the local association may also be appealed to USBC Headquarters. The decision of USBC Headquarters is final and binding on all involved parties.

BOWLERS DRESS CODE: While competing, proper attire will be required, shall include, but not limited to: **mock collar shirts, collarless bowling jerseys, dress slacks or jeans, dress shorts or skorts**. Unacceptable attire include: **tank tops, cutoff shorts, swimsuits, or spandex, including bare midriff shirts, short-shorts and NO OBSCENE ATTIRE**. Headphones will NOT be permitted. All issues regarding proper attire will be decided upon by the tournament management.

NCUSBCA ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (CITY TOURNAMENT) - 2024

Tournament will run from March 1st, 2024 through March 31, 2024

League bowled in: _____ Team Name: _____

Date bowled: _____ ENTRY FEE: \$20 PER PERSON ENTRY NUMBER: _____

\$17.00 TO PRIZE FUND & \$3.00 TO EXPENSES. ANY MONIES LEFT OVER FROM EXPENSES WILL GO TO PRIZE FUND

| TEAM EVENT: | Game #1 | Game #2 | Game #3 | HDCP | Total | PAYMENT RECEIVED |
|-------------|------------------|---------|---------|------|-------|------------------|
| NAME: | ENTERING AVERAGE | | | | | |
| USBC # | | | | | | |
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PLEASE INDICATE YOUR DIVISION:

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|------------|------|
| OPEN | HDCP |
| SCRATCH | |
| WOMEN SCR. | |
| WOMEN | HDCP |
| Seniors | HDCP |

HDCP:
 90% OF BASE AVERAGE 200 / 180 for women
 Scratch - 200 and UP / 180 for women

SENIOR AGE MINIMUM 55
 ENTERING AVERAGE RULE:

Seniors age 50 and up
 All Events Option - \$10.00

HIGHEST COPOSITE FROM: 22/23 OR 21/22 SEASON
 IF NONE: CURRENT MINIMUM OF 21 GAMES OR MORE
 IF NONE: 200 / 180 for women

DIRECTOR OR OFFICER RECEIVING ENTRY FEES: _____

NOTE: VIRTUAL TEAMS: A maximum of 2 members from primary team may form additional teams (Virtual). Entry fee will still be \$20 per person, per event.

Please ask **director** for **additional entry forms**:

USBC Rules Apply

NCUSBCA DOUBLES EVENT DURING LEAGUE PLAY-\$20 per person entry fee

League bowled in: _____ Entry Fee: \$40

Division: Open _____ HDCP
 _____ Scratch _____ HDCP
 _____ Scratch _____ HDCP
 _____ Scratch _____ HDCP

HDCP: 90% OF 200

HDCP: 90% OF 180 for women Sr. 50 & Up

Date: _____

PRIMARY DOUBLES

| | NAME | ENTERING AVERAGE | GAME #1 | GAME #2 | GAME #3 | HDCP | TOTAL |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| | Please indicate division: HDCP | | SCRATCH | | | GRAND TOTAL: | |

- A. Entry fee must be turned in before end of 3rd frame of the 1st game.
- B. Entering average will be highest 21/22 or 22/23 composite.

Director receiving payment: _____

Number of doubles entered: _____ \$40 per entry

Amount received: _____

You may cash only once with the same partner, but you can cash as many times as you can with different partners.

VIRTUAL DOUBLES

DATE BOWLED:

| | NAME | ENTERING AVERAGE | GAME #1 | GAME #2 | GAME #3 | HDCP | TOTAL |
|---|------|------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|------|-------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| | | | SCRATCH | GRAND TOTAL: | | | |

Please indicate division: HDCP

DATE BOWLED:

| | NAME | ENTERING AVERAGE | GAME #1 | GAME #2 | GAME #3 | HDCP | TOTAL |
|---|------|------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|------|-------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| | | | SCRATCH | GRAND TOTAL: | | | |

Please indicate division: HDCP

DATE BOWLED:

| | NAME | ENTERING AVERAGE | GAME #1 | GAME #2 | GAME #3 | HDCP | TOTAL |
|---|------|------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|------|-------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| | | | SCRATCH | GRAND TOTAL: | | | |

Please indicate division: HDCP

NCUSBCA ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - SINGLES EVENT

DATE BOWLED: _____ ENTRY FEE: \$ 20.00

LEAGUE BOWLED IN: _____ ENTRY # _____

Division: _____
 Open Scratch _____ HDCP _____
 Women Scratch _____ HDCP _____
 Seniors 50 and up Scratch _____ HDCP _____

HDCP 90% OF 200

| NAME | USBC # | GAME #1 | GAME #2 | GAME #3 | HDCP | GRAND TOTAL |
|------|--------|---------|---------|---------|------|-------------|
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- A - May enter more than once, but only cash with highest grand total.
- B - Must be paid same night bowled and turned in before end of 3rd frame of the 1st game.
- C- Entry Fee - \$20.00 per event per person: \$60.00 for all three events (\$70.00 if entering All Events)
- D- USBC Rules will Apply

Director receiving payment: _____

Amount received: _____ Please include optional all events payment

OPTIONAL ALL EVENTS \$10 PER PERSON

ALL EVENTS: YES _____ NO _____