

IOWA STATE USBC WBA

2012 - 6th ANNUAL

WOMEN'S SENIOR STATE TOURNAMENT

ENTRIES OPEN: February 1, 2012 ♦ USBC CERTIFIED ♦ ENTRIES CLOSE: April 1, 2012
 TOURNAMENT DATES AND TIMES: April 28th, 29th, May 12th, 19th, 20th, 2012
 SQUAD TIMES: SATURDAYS 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM, SUNDAYS 11:00 AM

PELLA EXCIT-A-BOWL, 204 S.E. 9TH ST., PELLA, IA 50219

Read all instructions carefully. Entries will be scheduled only when completed entry forms and full fees are received.

ENTRY FEES: \$15.00 per person per event (\$5.25 Prize Fund, \$9.75 Expenses)
 \$ 3.00 per person Optional All Events

All remittances must be in the form of a money order or cashiers check made payable to the Iowa State USBC WBA

Remittal Summary				
Doubles	_____	@	\$30.00	\$ _____
Singles	_____	@	\$15.00	\$ _____
All Events	_____	@	\$3.00	\$ _____
Total:				\$ _____

List 3 Dates/Squad Choices
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
Give dates/times you CANNOT bowl: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

ADDRESS _____

(complete mailing address, city, state, zip + 4)

(prize checks will be mailed to this person & address)

PHONE (____) _____ EMAIL _____

LOCAL ASSOCIATION NAME/NUMBER _____

Bowler's Name Last, First, Initial	Age 5/1/2012	Birth Date	Division	All Events Paid "X"	Complete USBC Card #	Entering Avg. Refer to rules
					-	
					-	
Total Ages						
					-	
					-	
Total Ages						
					-	
					-	
Total Ages						

CLASSIFICATIONS: Doubles (combined ages)	Div. 1 ages 130+	Div. 2 ages 110 – 129
Singles/All Events	Div. 1 ages 65+	Div. 2 ages 55 - 64

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OFFICE USE ONLY

DBLS _____	SGLS _____	DATE _____	TIME _____
AE _____	\$\$ _____	SQ# _____	LANE # _____
		ENTRY # _____	

ISUSBCWBA SENIOR WOMEN'S STATE TOURNAMENT RULES

THE TOURNAMENT

1. All entrants must be 55 years of age or older on or before May 1st, and must be a member of the Iowa State USBC WBA, Inc. for the current season. Only members of certified leagues or substitutes whose membership dues have been paid in accordance with the USBC and ISUSBCWBA Bylaws may bowl in the ISUSBCWBA Senior Women's State Tournament. Bowlers need NOT belong to a Senior League to be eligible to enter this tournament.
2. The Senior Women's Tournament rules will be adopted by the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors.
3. Control of the tournament shall be vested in the ISUSBCWBA, with actual details of scheduling, supervision of tournament, compiling of prize list, selection of awards, issuing checks, etc., to be performed by the ISUSBCWBA Association Manager who is the Tournament Director.
4. The tournament will be scheduled only in centers with twelve (12) or more lanes. The tournament site shall be selected by the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors at the fall meeting two (2) years in advance of the tournament. The ISUSBCWBA Association Manager must receive a bid letter from the proprietor or manager of the bowling center desiring to host the women's senior state tournament not later than July 1st prior to the fall meeting. The bid letter should include description of the facilities and equipment, and the bidding amount for the tournament lineage.
5. If no invitations are received by the deadline, the ISUSBCWBA President, with the approval of the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors, will select the site.
6. The tournament shall consist of a Doubles event and a Singles event with an optional All Events. The annual tournament shall be a handicap tournament based on 100% of the difference between the bowler's average and a scratch figure of 240.
7. Entrants shall participate only once in each event. Bowlers entering Doubles must also enter Singles; bowlers entering Singles must also enter Doubles.

ENTRY POLICIES

8. Tournament entries open February 1st, and close April 1st. Entrants will be scheduled only when completed entry form, and full fees are received by the Association Manager.
9. Notification of scheduled date and time will be sent to person submitting the entry form, who is then responsible for notifying all entrants submitted by her.
10. No refunds will be made after seven (7) days following the closing date of April 1st. When the ISUSBCWBA Association Manager notifies the entrant of dates and times assigned and a refusal has not been received within seven (7) days of this notice, the entry fee shall not be refunded. In emergencies only, rescheduling of any event may be made at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

ENTRY FEES AND PRIZE FUNDS

11. Entry fees shall be paid by money order or certified check. NO PERSONAL CHECKS, BUSINESS CHECKS, OR CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED. All remittances must be in the form of guaranteed funds.
12. The total entry fee shall be \$15.00 per person, per event. Doubles is one event, and Singles is a separate event.
13. Any entrant may pay the \$3.00 All Events fee and be eligible for the All Events prize fund. All Events fees must accompany the entry form and must be paid by April 1st, and are not refundable.
14. The prize fund shall be paid on the basis of one prize for every five entries (1:5) in each division in Doubles and Singles. The number of prizes for All Events shall be paid on the basis of one prize for every ten entries (1:10).
15. The Board of Directors of the ISUSBCWBA shall establish the amount to be allocated to the prize fund annually.
16. All prize funds shall be distributed within thirty (30) days following the close of the tournament except when USBC has authorized delay in payment.

AVERAGES

17. All references to averages shall apply to averages established in any USBC certified leagues and associations in the following order:
 - (a) Entrants must use highest average of not less than twenty-one (21) games in any league at the end of the previous season. This is to apply whether a regular, substitute, or dropped average.
 - (b) Any member who did not have an established average the previous season shall use her highest average of not less than twenty-one (21) games in one league including league play of November 30th of the current season.
 - (c) If no 21-game average as of November 30th, the bowler will use her average as of January 31st of at least twenty-one (21) games in one league.
 - (d) If no 21-game average on any of the above dates, the bowler may bowl with an established average in any USBC league of at least twelve (12) games as of the first date of tournament participation.
 - (e) Summer league average of at least twelve (12) games will be used only if the member has no other established average.
 - (f) If bowler does not meet any of the previously listed average requirements, she may enter the tournament with a 240 average.
18. It shall be the responsibility of the entrant to verify the accuracy of her average, whether submitted by the bowler or others. The Tournament Director has the right to verify and correct incorrect averages. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average thereby resulting in a lower classification or more handicap. Prize winnings shall be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. However, corrections in averages may be permitted up to the completion of the first game of a series.
19. A multiple member from another state association will be permitted to bowl in the ISUSBCWBA state tournament, provided she meets the age, average and membership requirement.
20. The tournament rules shall be governed by the *USBC General Playing Rules and Commonly Asked Questions*, with the exception of rules 300b, 300c (this rule will not apply with the exception of item 2, Associate Membership), 301a-e, 302a-d, 309b-c, 310a-b, 313, 315a-d, 317a-d, 318a-c, 319a-f, 323a-c, and 324a-b, which are hereby waived.

DIVISIONS

21. The tournament shall be divided into two (2) divisions based on entrants age, as follows:

Singles Event			
Division 1	Ages 65 and over	Division 2	Ages 55 to 64 inclusive

Doubles Event			
Division 1	Combined ages of 130 and over	Division 2	Combined ages of 110 to 129 inclusive

All Events are in the same division as the entrant's Singles event.

SCHEDULING

22. No bowling shall be scheduled on Mother's Day. However, Doubles and Singles may be scheduled the Saturday before Mother's Day.
23. Three sets of Doubles and Singles will be scheduled on each pair of lanes whenever possible. Doubles entries must be complete. No rearranging of line-up for Doubles will be permitted.

SUBSTITUTIONS

24. If a duly scheduled entrant is unable to bowl, another bowler who is qualified under the tournament eligibility requirements may be substituted. The tournament management will obtain substitutes only in case of emergency.
25. Any bowler who arrives after the game is started will be permitted to bowl at the discretion of the Tournament Director or the tournament assistant in charge. If allowed, she shall begin play with the score to count from the frame then being bowled. She will not be credited with any pins for the frames missed. (Rule 322a/a-b)
26. After a game has started, a substitute will be allowed in case of a disability, if one is available, and her scores are to count beginning with the frame being bowled when she is ready to start, with no unnecessary delay of the game. This shall apply to the Doubles event only. If a substitution is made in the Doubles event, the substitute must take the place of the absent bowler in both events.
27. If one bowler is late for the Doubles event, the bowler present will bowl her Singles first. If her partner has not arrived by the time her Singles event is finished, and a substitute cannot be found, she will be permitted to bowl her games in the Doubles event in order to qualify for All Events.
28. Scores bowled through the efforts of more than one individual player shall not qualify for any ISUSBCWBA or USBC Awards nor shall the score be included in the All Events.

AWARDS

29. "On the Spot" awards shall be given to any tournament bowler who bowls a game of 199 and 200 or over in any event. Awards limited to one of each per tournament.
30. Senior Women's State Championship awards shall be presented to the Doubles, Singles and All Events champions in each division. Cost of these awards shall be paid from the tournament expense fund. Entrants will also be eligible for any USBC awards.

USBC SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT ENTRY

31. The All Events champions in the Iowa Senior Women's State Tournament shall have their entry fees paid for the USBC Senior Championship Tournament for the following year. In addition, the cost of the official blouse worn by the entrants and \$50 in expense money will be provided by the ISUSBCWBA.
32. If the ISUSBCWBA All Events champion in any division declines to attend the national event, only the second place finisher from that division will have the option of attending.

TIES FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

33. If a tie for first place occurs in any event in any division, co-champions will be declared. Prize money will be combined and divided equally, and duplicate awards will be presented. If a tie exists for the championship of the All Events divisions, co-champions shall be declared. For purposes of determining who shall be eligible for the USBC Senior Championships, the player with the highest Singles event score with handicap will be used.

PROTESTS

34. Any protest regarding scores must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director/ISUSBCWBA Association Manager not later than seventy-two (72) hours after the games have been bowled. Protests regarding divisions must be made to the Tournament Director before or at the time of bowling. The action of the Tournament Director shall be final unless an appeal is made to the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors or to USBC.
35. The ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors shall have the power to hear and act on all protests arising from or under construction of the rules of the Iowa Senior Women's State Tournament.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES

36. All entrants must report to the tournament check-in office forty-five (45) minutes before the scheduled time to bowl.
37. Each entrant in the Doubles and Singles must have her own bowling ball.
38. Food and beverages are allowed but must be kept out of the settee area.
39. Entrants will not be allowed to smoke during tournament play. Bowlers must remain in the bowlers' area during each event. If abuse occurs, which slows the bowling or causes objections by other entrants, the offending bowler may be disqualified.
40. Misconduct, offensive behavior or inappropriate attire will not be permitted. An offending entrant, or entrants, may be prevented from beginning or continuing to bowl. She shall forfeit those games and shall be dismissed from the bowling establishment. The decision of the Iowa Senior Women's State Tournament Director, ISUSBCWBA Association Manager, President, any ISUSBCWBA Board Member, or the Association Manager's assistants shall be final in these matters.
41. In the event the Doubles partners are unopposed on a pair of lanes, each frame shall be completed on one lane before the next frame is started on the adjoining lane. This rule shall also apply to the Singles events. Pacers will not be allowed in this tournament.
42. The ISUSBCWBA reserves the right to move entries if squads cannot be filled.
43. ISUSBCWBA is concerned about maintaining the privacy of all members' social security numbers. Your number will be protected against unauthorized use. IRS Code Section 6109 requires the taxpayer to give their correct TIN "Taxpayer Identification Number" to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to report income paid. Without a social security number, the following will apply:
 - (a) U.S. citizen teams will have all prize checks delayed until all social security numbers are collected.
 - (b) In the event an entrant refuses to provide ISUSBCWBA with a social security number, ISUSBCWBA is required to withhold 31% of the proceeds as backup withholding and remit that amount of money to the Internal Revenue Service.