

TOURNAMENT RULES

- (1) All entrants must be members of the Iowa State USBC WBA for the current season.
- (2) The tournament rules shall be governed by the USBC General Playing Rules and Certified Tournament rules.
 - USBC Rule 319a-2 (10 pin rule) will not apply
 - USBC Rule 319a-3 (bowlers responsibility for correct average) will apply
 - USBC Rule 319d (previous prize winnings) will not apply
 - USBC Rule 319e (average adjustment for entry) will apply
- (3) The tournament shall consist of a 4-woman Team event, a Doubles event, a Singles event (a bowler must bowl in both the Doubles and Singles event), an optional All Events, an optional scratch Singles Event and an optional scratch All Events. Entrants who have paid the fees for the regular handicap Singles and All Events may enter the optional Scratch Singles and/or the Scratch All Events. All optional entries must accompany the entry form and are non-refundable. An entrant may pay in advance the handicap All Events and scratch All Events with the anticipation of bowling in all 3 events and being eligible for the All Events prize fund.
- (4) Multiple participation will be allowed in the Team event. At least two (2) members of the Team's lineup must be different on each entry. The bowler may substitute in the Doubles event multiple times. Bowlers entering Doubles must enter Singles; bowlers entering Singles must enter Doubles. The first Team and Doubles score will be the score used for All Events, handicap or optional scratch.
- (5) Late entries may be accepted subject to lane availability and at the discretion of the Tournament Director. No entries will be accepted after the tournament begins.
- (6) No entry fees will be refunded after fifteen (15) days from the closing date or fifteen (15) days from the date of confirmation. Rescheduling of any event may be made at the discretion of the Tournament Director. Refunds for overpayment of fees will not be issued for less than \$5.00.
- (7) All references to averages shall apply to averages established in any USBC certified leagues and associations in the following order unless Iowa State USBC WBA specified:
 - (a) Entrants must use their highest average of not less than twenty-one (21) games in any league (including summer) at the end of the previous season.
 - (b) If a bowler does not have an established average of twenty-one (21) games or more from the previous season, she shall use her highest average of twenty-one (21) games or more as of January 1 of the current season.
 - (c) If a bowler does not meet either of the above average requirements, she may bowl with an established average of twelve (12) games or more as of the date of participation. (Verification from the local association will be required.)
 - (d) If a bowler does not meet any of the above average requirements, she may enter the tournament with a 220 average.
- (8) The annual Iowa State USBC WBA Championship Tournament will be handicapped at 100% of 220 base.
- (9) There will be no line-up changes at the time of participation.
- (10) If tournament officials are requested to secure a substitute, that substitute will not be required to reimburse the original entrant and will be eligible for any prize money or awards earned by her. When the Team secures its own substitute, they shall make their own arrangements for repayment of entry fee and prize distribution.
- (11) State association championship awards shall be awarded to the Team, Doubles, Singles (handicap and optional scratch) and All Events (handicap and optional scratch) champions.
- (12) A \$25.00 cash award will be given to the individual(s) who bowls the highest scratch game and scratch series in the tournament regardless of event. These costs will come out of the prize fund.
- (13) The Scratch All Events champion, champions in the case of a tie, co-champions will be declared, and she (they) will be given a paid entry into the USBC Queens or Senior Queens Tournament, upon participation, for the ensuing year. If either does not wish to enter, or has not responded by February 1, the entry shall be offered to the runner-up only. The entrant must meet Queen's average eligibility requirement or the Senior Queens age requirement.
- (14) All entrants must report to the tournament check-in office one (1) hour before the scheduled time to bowl. Late substitutions must be made at the tournament lanes at least ninety (90) minutes prior to bowling.
- (15) Each tournament participant must provide and use her own ball for competition whether personally owned or a house ball.
- (16) 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.
- (17) 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 Tournament Director, President, any Board member, or the Tournament Director's assistants shall be final in these matters.
- (18) Pacers will not be allowed in this tournament.

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