

TOURNAMENT RULES
USBC Rules and Regulations Govern This Tournament

1. **Entries are open to all NE USBC members who are at least 50 years of July 1, 2027 and have bowled at least 21 games in a Nebraska Certified League from the previous season or have at least a 9 game average from a Nebraska Certified League as of the date they bowl in this tournament. The age division is determined by your age as of July 1, 2027. Proof of membership will be confirmed with USBC before prize fund is paid out. Entrants who are not members of the National USBC or the Nebraska USBC can qualify for entry by purchasing a membership at bowl.com.**
2. The tournament will consist of a single division four-person team event where teams may consist of any combination of Mixed (men and women), all women or all men; Mixed Doubles; Open Doubles; Women's Doubles; Open and Women's Singles. Entrants may enter the tournament more than once in each event, but may cash in the money only once with the same partner in Doubles and once in Singles. Multiple Team entry is permissible, but not more than two players on one team can place more than once in the prize list for position standings.
3. All entrants will use their highest USBC league average of at least 21 games in the 2025-2026 season. If entrant has no winter league average, the highest current summer league average of 21 or more games in one league will be used. If entrant does not have a winter or summer league average, a current sanctioned league average of nine (9) or more games as of date of participation will be used. All others bowl scratch. Verification signed by a league secretary may be submitted at the time of participation.
4. USBC Rule 319a-2 (Ten pin increase provision), Rule 319d (Tournament prize winnings provision) and USBC Rule 319e (average adjustment requirement) will be waived.
5. Any player or team arriving late shall begin play and the score shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. The balance of Rule 322a regarding tardy players will also be in effect. Rule 11 regarding unreasonable delay of the game apply to this tournament.
6. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average whether originally submitted by the bowler or others. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average, thereby resulting in more handicap. Prize winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. Corrections in averages can be made up to the completion of the first game of a series or within 48 hours after completion of the series if the tournament manager, prior to completion of the first game of a series, has given written consent to the bowler authorizing extension of time to correct their average.
7. Cash prizes in the Team event, Doubles event and Singles event will be determined on a handicap basis. There will be at least one cash prize awarded for each 5 entries in Team, Doubles and Singles. Prize Fund shall be returned to participants 100%. In the event of first place ties, co-champions will be declared and prize money will be combined and divided equally.
8. Handicap will be 90% of 880 for Team, 90% of 440 for Doubles and 90% of 220 for Singles.
9. **ALL EVENTS: Bowlers who want a chance to go to the national tournament must pay the \$5 all events fee.** The first six (6) games bowled, including handicap, will constitute the All Events score. All women's scores will be declared eligible for the women's all events divisions unless they notify tournament officials prior to the time they bowl they wish to compete in the Open Division. There are six (6) classes in the Womens Division and six (6) classes in the Open Division based on the entrant's age as listed below:

Super Senior – age 75 of age & older	Class A – 70 thru age 74	Class B - age 65 thru age 69
Class C - age 60 thru age 64	Class D - age 55 thru age 59	Class E – age 50 thru age 54

The winner of each class of All Events that pays the \$5 all events fee will be eligible to represent Nebraska in the USBC Senior Championships. In the event he or she is unable to participate in the USBC Senior Championships, then the participant, who finished next, going down as far as necessary in each division, will be eligible. The Nebraska USBC will pay for shirts for each of the twelve entrants into the USBC Senior Championships.
10. In the event a tie exists for first place in any class the bowler who has rolled the highest single scratch game of the All Events games shall be the State Representative in the appropriate class at the USBC Senior Championships.
11. The Tournament Committee shall have the authority to decide any matters pertaining to the operation of the Tournament not covered by the above rules.
12. All Cell phones and electronic equipment must be turned off once competition has begun. E-Cigarettes will not be allowed in the center during tournament times.

***** PLEASE NOTE - DOUBLES AND SINGLES REQUIRES TWO SQUAD TIMES *****