



ST JOSEPH MO USBC
"BVL" Mail-in Singles Tournament
(USBC Certified)



The St Joseph MO USBC will operate a mail-in singles tournament for all present-day St Joseph adult USBC members in support of the Bowlers to Veterans Link ("BVL"). The BVL is bowling's own and oldest charity for the nation's veterans in need, as well as supporting hundreds of other therapeutic and recreational programs, including sports, music, crafts, technology, and adaptive equipment for rehabilitation activities, at VA Medical Centers, Vet Clinics and Out-Patient Clinics. Brightening veteran's lives since 1942.

TOURNAMENT RULES

This tournament will be operated by the St Joseph MO USBC. All St Joseph MO USBC board members will be the Tournament Director. This tournament will carry its own certification. Awards will be issued through leagues/tournaments.

QUALIFICATIONS TO BOWL

1. The entrant is required to be a current member of the St Joseph MO USBC and be actively participating in an USBC certified league.
2. USBC rules 319a-2, 319a-3, 319b, and 319c apply. USBC rules 319d and 319e are waived.

PARTICIPATION

3. Entrants may submit one entry for each USBC certified ADULT league in which they participate. Your squad number will be determined the day of the week that you bowl. You can be in more than one squad for the week.
4. There will be six (6) divisions: three (3) for women, three (3) for men.
 - a. Women – averages: (1) 150 and below; (2) 151 thru 195; (3) 196 and above.
 - b. Men – averages: (1) 160 and below; (2) 161 thru 200; (3) 201 and above.

AVERAGES AND HANDICAP

5. Entrants must use their highest certified league average in the following order:
 - a. Previous season, a minimum of 12 games (**including** summer averages).
 - b. Date of Participation (DOP) (the day you bowl, prior to session starting), minimum of 12 games. Example: you bowl on Tuesday then you will need to submit a standing sheet from the Tuesday prior of DOP. **Please make sure all averages are supplied!!!**
 - c. All others bowl scratch.
6. Reporting of averages is the sole responsibility of the bowler. Rule 319a-3 will be enforced.
7. The tournament director **DOES** retain the right to verify and correct averages as it should be.
8. The tournament will be handicapped at 80% of 240.

DATES, DEADLINES AND CONDITIONS

9. The entry deadline is February 27, 2026.
10. Entrant shall use CERTIFIED league scores bowled the week of March 8th through March 14th.
11. If an entrant is unable to bowl the week of March 8th through 14th due to weather or postponement of the league, then scores from the week of March 15th through March 21st may be used.
12. Photocopies of the recap sheets of scores bowled must accompany the score verification form. Any score verification form returned without a copy of the recap sheet will be declared ineligible.
13. **Scores bowled in non-certified leagues will not be permitted.**
14. The score verification deadline is March 23, 2026.

FEES

15. Entry fee will be \$20.00 for each bowler (\$11.00 to the BVL, \$8.00 prize fund, \$1.00 for expenses).
16. Entry fees are not transferable or refundable.

PRIZES

17. Prize money paid for each division will be returned 100% to winners in each of the six (6) divisions and will be distributed within thirty (30) days from the deadline for the return of score verification.
18. Prizes will be based on a ratio of 1 for each 10 entries.

DISCLAIMER / PROTEST

19. All other USBC rules and regulations shall apply. USBC language/rules will apply in all areas affected.
20. The St Joseph MO USBC Board of Directors shall decide any questions not covered by these rules and shall have the power to hear and act on all protests concerning the tournament and its rules.