

Princess Tournament 2025 Rules

1. This is a St. Joseph USBC sanctioned event. All bowlers must be current St. Joseph USBC members.
2. Averages: Average used will be your highest USBC average in the following order:
 - a. Highest verifiable average of 21 games or more for the 2024-25 season.
 - b. Highest verifiable average of 21 games or more for the 2025-26 season as of 11/3/2025, accompanied with a standing sheet.
 - c. All other bowlers must bowl scratch.
 - d. The 10-pin rule will be in effect. (USBC Rule 319a-2)
3. Handicap will be 80% of 220.
4. The Dress Code will be nice jeans/skort and bowling shirt. NO TANK TOPS OR SHORT SHORTS.
5. In the event of mechanical failure, it is hereby agreed that the bowlers affected shall be moved to the next available lanes in the establishment at the discretion of the Tournament Manager.
6. USBC Rule 11: Forfeit – Delay of Game. No unreasonable delay in the progress of any game is permitted. If a player refuses to proceed with a game after being directed to do so by tournament official, the game shall be declared a forfeit.
7. USBC Rule 12: No use of foreign substances of any kind. This includes but not limited to, such substances as talcum powder. Pumice and resin on shoes; also, soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach.
8. USBC Rule 18: Altering the surface of the bowling ball using any foreign substance while bowling is prohibited. All bowling balls altered must be removed from the competition. No foreign substances are allowed in the bowlers' area.
9. Each individual bowler is held responsible for rule violations and is subject to USBC Rules and regulations governing tournament competition.
10. The tournament manager reserves the right to check any bowling ball used in this Tournament.
11. The tournament manager reserves the right to make any changes to the tournament up to the start of the tournament.

12. Check In: All bowlers must check in 30 minutes prior to the start time.
13. Format:
 - a. 10 minutes of practice before play begins.
 - b. Each bowler will bowl 6 games, moving one pair to the right each game.
 - c. The field will be cut to the top 5 for the step ladder finals.
14. Entries are due November 3, 2025. Walk ins are welcome with a \$10 late fee.
 - a. Please turn in entries to Becky Spencer, Colton Hankins, or Kaysee Haynes or any other board member.
 - b. Mail entries to: Kim Duke 2535 Jules Street St Joseph MO 64501.
15. Prize funds will be given out to the top 5 finishers as well as a tiara for the winner.