

SENIOR MASTERS OPEN



**SUNDAY, December 28, 2025
SAVANNAH, MO**

This is a singles **scratch** bowling tournament and is a St. Joseph MO USBC Sanctioned event. All games will be bowled at Savage Lanes, Savannah, MO.

Tournament format:

- Bowlers are required to be at least 50 years of age as of December 28, 2025.
- Qualifying will include 5 games across 5 pairs of lanes.
- The top 5 qualifiers will bowl a stepladder tournament format. Any ties will result in a 9th and 10th frame roll-off to be bowled preceding the finals.
- **The dress code shall be slacks and a collared shirt or a Bowling Jersey. No jeans are allowed.**

Tournament Entry:

- **\$50.00 entry fee: Cash, Money Order, Check** payable to St Joseph USBC.
- **Entries close December 22, 2025.**
- **\$10 late fee added if not paid by December 22, 2025.**
- **Return entries to a Tournament Director or any St Joseph USBC Board Director**
- **Mail Entries to: Lori Gage, 3034 Felix St, St. Joseph, MO 64501 (Must be mailed by December 19, 2025)**
- **Tournament Directors – Becky Spencer & Bryan McMillian**

Tournament Squad Times:

- **Qualifying: 9:00 am, Sunday, December 28, 2025**
- **Finals: Immediately following qualifying** (*Lanes will not be re-oiled*)
- **Tournament check-in will be ½ hour before start times.**

Entry fee Breakdown:

Prize fund:	\$28.75
Lineage:	\$16.25
Expenses:	\$4.00
<u>Hall of Fame</u>	<u>\$1.00</u>
Total:	\$50.00

Prize Fund:

Payout will be based on a 1:5 ratio.

Official Entry Form:

Name _____ USBC # _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

D.O.B. _____ Age as of DECEMBER 28, 2025 _____

Rules and Regulations

1. This is a St. Joseph MO USBC Event and will be sanctioned by the USBC.
2. All entry fees must accompany the entry form. **Entries turned in without the entry fee and incomplete entries will be returned. \$10 late fee per person added if not paid by December 22, 2025.**
3. **USBC Rule 327b.** After a score has been recorded, it cannot be changed except if there is an obvious error in scoring or calculation. Obvious errors must be corrected by a tournament official immediately upon discovery. Tournament management shall decide questionable errors. All protests must be in writing to tournament management before completion of the current event, otherwise scores will be correct as entered.
4. Individuals failing to appear at their scheduled time to bowl may start in their regular turn, coinciding with the rest of the squad, at the discretion of the Tournament Management. Those who do not show, forfeit their place and entry fees.
5. **All bowlers must check in 1/2 hour before their squad time and present their USBC card or from bowl.com app.** Squad may be started ahead of schedule if all bowlers are present.
6. Any entrant appearing at his/her scheduled time of bowling appearing to be under the influence of intoxicating liquors or any entrant who willfully delays the normal progress of the game, an entrant whose conduct or attire on the lanes is considered objectionable to tournament management, may be removed from the lanes and tournament, regardless of whether a qualified substitute is available or not.
7. **The dress code shall be slacks and a collared shirt or a Bowling Jersey. NO TANK TOPS OR OBSCENITIES ON ATTIRE. NO JEANS ARE ALLOWED.**
8. 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 Management.
9. **USBC Rule 11:** – Forfeit - Delay of Game. No unreasonable delay in the progress of any game is permitted. If a player or team in a league or tournament refuses to proceed with a game after being directed to do so by a league or tournament official, the game or series shall be declared forfeited.
10. **USBC Rule 12:** The application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes, but is 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.
11. **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 allowed in the bowling area.
12. Each individual bowler is held responsible for rule violations and is subject to USBC rules and regulations governing Tournament Competition.
13. The Tournament Management reserves the right to check any bowling ball used in this tournament.
14. Tournament management reserves the right to make any changes to the tournament up to the start of the tournament.
15. Prize fund to be paid within 30 days of the conclusion of the tournament. Prize Fund Checks are void after 90 days.

Tournament Specific Rules and Format

1. The tournament is open to members 50 years of age and older, on or before December 28, 2025. This tournament will be certified by the USBC, and only adult members participating in certified adult leagues at the following centers, with a minimum of 21 games in either the 2024/25 or 2025/26 season, in the St. Joseph, MO USBC, are eligible to bowl: Belt Entertainment, Plattsburg Bowl, Revolutions Lanes, and Savage Lanes. **A current, valid USBC card must be presented at check-in.**
2. **Payout ratio is paid out 1 in 5.**
3. All bowlers who participate bowl scratch.
4. **The dress code shall be slacks and a collared shirt or a Bowling Jersey. The dress code will be enforced.**
5. **ALL ENTRIES CLOSE December 22, 2025.**
6. There will be a 5-game qualifying round. The top 5 qualifiers will then bowl a 5-man stepladder format immediately after qualifying to determine the Tournament Champion. Any ties will result in a 9th and 10th frame roll-off.
7. The highest seeded player in the stepladder matches shall have the choice to start first or finish last. Each player will be allowed 2 shadow balls on each lane prior to each stepladder match. Players waiting to bowl a stepladder match may warm up on a pair of lanes designated for this purpose.

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