

56th Annual Arizona State USBC Senior Open Championship Tournament Rules

1. The following limits shall apply to card-carrying members of any organization of Professional Bowlers. Not more than ONE such player on a two-member or four-member team line up.
2. Entrants bowling doubles are automatically entered in singles, and entry fees for both must be paid. During the doubles/singles events, doubles will be bowled first, then singles, in that order.
3. Trophies will be awarded for 1st Place Winners for Scratch and Handicap in each event based on Average Division. If winners earn both Scratch & Handicap in their division, they will only be awarded the Scratch Trophy.
4. Cash prizes will be awarded, for each event on a handicap and scratch basis, based on Average Division. Team, Doubles & Singles Payout rate will be 1 in 8. All Events will be 1 in 12.
5. Bowler must enter Team, Doubles & Singles events on the entry form to qualify to represent Arizona State USBC in the USBC National Senior Tournament. The winners will receive a paid entry into the tournament and a shirt. The Arizona State USBC prize is a special service to the senior bowlers and will be given to the handicap ALL EVENTS winner of each AGE DIVISION. In case of a tie, the high scratch series will prevail.
6. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference between the entrants average and 230.
7. All entrants must be a current member of the Arizona State USBC Association and 50 years of age or older by October 12, 2024. **Qualifying averages in an Arizona State League**, in order of acceptability, shall be:
 - A. Highest 2023-24 book average of 21 or more games (winter). If you do not have a 2023-24 book average we will accept the 2022-23 (winter) book average.
 - B. Highest current average of 21 or more games, **in the same league**, as of October 12, 2024 with written verification from the league secretary.
 - C. If none of the above, bowler will be assigned an average of 230.
 - D. It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average see USBC Rule 319a & 319c.
 - E. USBC Rules 319d, and 319e will not apply to this tournament.
8. **USBC Rule 319c. Average adjustments—Re-Rate: If the current average is ten (10) pins higher than the book average, the current average must be used.**
9. **USBC Membership cards or proof of purchase must be presented in order to bowl.** No memberships will be sold at the tournament site.
10. No entry fees shall be returned after the close of entries for the tournament except at the discretion on of the tournament committee.
11. Individuals may enter Team Event **TWICE** with no more than **two people** being the same. The first score bowled in team event will be used for the All Events.
12. Check-in for each squad will start 30 minutes prior to squad start time.
13. Pace of Play – Please be ready to bowl when it is your turn, observing one-lane courtesy. This will help ensure your event is completed in the allotted time. Including practice, competition should be completed in 3 hours(Team) and 2 hours 20 minutes (D/S).
14. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC Rule 329.
15. **PROTESTS MUST BE FILED IN WRITING WITHIN 24 HOURS.**
16. Any check returned for non-payment will be charged a \$25.00 processing fee. Any returned check not made good by October 20, 2024 will result in disqualification of the entry.
17. **DRESS CODE:** Proper bowling attire: Allowed - Polo Shirt, Bowling Jersey, Collared Shirt, Hemmed Jean Shorts, Jeans (neat & clean), Dress or Casual Pants or Shorts, Capri Pants, Skirt, Skort (Must be below the fingertips). **NOT ALLOWED:** T-Shirts, Tank tops, Workout attire (sweat pants, sweatshirts, spandex), Leggings of any kind, Halter tops, Bare midriff/tube tops and Spaghetti tops, Collared Sleeve-less Shirts, Hats or Headwear, Caps, Clothing with obscenities, Holes, Frays and Tares. The Tournament Director will have the final decision regarding acceptable attire. No one other than contestants, score monitors and tournament officials will be allowed in the bowling area.
18. **Unsportsmanlike behavior by a team or individual will not be tolerated. One warning will be issued and then if the conduct continues the Team or bowler will be asked to leave causing disqualification.**

Division	1	2	3	4	5	6
Age	50 -54	55 -59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 -74	75 & Older
Winners will receive paid entry and a shirt to the USBC National Senior Tournament.						
DIVISIONS						
TEAM	A 800 & Over		B 720 - 799		C 719 & Under	
DOUBLES	A 400 & Over		B 360 - 399		C 359 & Under	
SINGLES	A 200 & Over		B 180 - 199		C 179 & Under	