

2025 – 2026

Maine State Candlepin Bowling Association

Senior Tournament Schedule

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EVENT	DATE	HOSTING CENTER
SINGLES	SEPTEMBER 17 TH & 21 ST	WEST-PORT BOWLING LANES WESTBROOK, ME
DOUBLES (2 WOMEN OR 2 MEN)	OCTOBER 8 TH & 12 TH	STARS & STRIKES BOWLING CENTER SOUTH PARIS, ME
THE DECADES TRIPLES	OCT. 29 TH & NOV. 2 ND	BOWL-A-RAMA SANFORD, ME
TEAMS (4 WOMEN OR 4 MEN)	NOVEMBER 19 TH & 23 RD	BIG 20 BOWLING CENTER SCARBOROUGH, ME
MIXED DOUBLES (1 WOMAN & 1 MAN)	DECEMBER 10 TH & 14 TH	BANGOR-BREWER LANES BREWER, ME
MIXED TEAMS (2 WOMEN & 2 MEN)	JANUARY 7 TH & 11 TH	NEWPORT ENTERTAINMENT CENTER. NEWPORT, ME
2 PERSON ANY HOUSE Rentries allowed with a different partner (5 STRINGS)	FEBRUARY 4 TH & 8 TH	BIG 20 BOWLING CENTER SCARBOROUGH, ME
3 PERSON TEAMS ANY COMBO	MARCH 4 TH & 8 TH	OLD TOWN BOWLING CENTER OLD TOWN, ME
SR. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP	APRIL 26 TH @ 10:00 AM	STARS & STRIKES BOWLING CENTER SOUTH PARIS, ME
SHIFT TIMES: WEDNESDAY @9:00 AM & 2:00 PM / SUNDAY @9:00 AM ADDITIONAL SHIFTS TO BE ADDED AS NEEDED		

RULES

- BOWLERS MUST BOWL IN AT LEAST ONE ADULT LEAGUE IN THE HOUSE THEY REPRESENT, BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THAT LEAGUE AND COMPLETE A MINIMUM OF 2/3 THE SEASON.
- EACH TOURNAMENT WILL BE 5 STRINGS. EACH TOURNAMENT WILL DETERMINE A STATE CHAMPION(S)
- COST: \$30 PER BOWLER WHICH WILL INCLUDE \$2 FOR HIGH SINGLE. EACH TOURNAMENT WILL HAVE AN OPTIONAL OPEN DIVISION. COST IS \$10. (THE OPEN DIVISION IS SINGLES FOR EACH EVENT.)
- TOURNAMENT WINNERS WILL RECEIVE EMBROIDERED POLOS AS WELL AS PRIZE MONEY BASED ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER TOURNAMENT. WE WILL PAYOUT 1 OUT OF 5 ENTRIES.
- THESE TOURNAMENTS ARE OPEN TO ANY BOWLER WHO HAS REACHED HIS OR HER 55TH BIRTHDAY AND IS CURRENTLY BOWLING IN AN ADULT LEAGUE IN AN M.S.C.B.A. HOUSE.
- THE HOUSE A BOWLER REPRESENTS IN THEIR FIRST TOURNAMENT WILL BE THE HOUSE THEY REPRESENT FOR THE DURATION OF THE SEASON.
- FOR ALL 2 PERSON/3 PERSON & 4 PERSON TEAM EVENTS, THE BOWLERS MUST BE COMPRISED OF THE SAME M.S.C.B.A. HOUSE.
- FOR THE 2 PERSON ANY HOUSE, BOWLERS ARE ALLOWED TO RE-ENTER WITH A DIFFERENT PARTNER AND EACH ENTRY IS ALLOWED TO CASH. THE INDIVIDUALS HIGH 5 STRING SCORE WILL COUNT TOWARDS HIS/HER AVERAGE AND ELIMINATION SCORE.
- **DECADE TRIPLES – EACH BOWLER WILL SIGN UP INDIVIDUALLY. THE HOSTING HOUSE WILL DO THEIR BEST TO COMPRISE TEAMS OF EACH CATEGORY 55-59/60-69/70+. THIS IS A RANDOM DRAW MIXED EVENT.**

AVERAGES

- FOR A NEW BOWLER THEY’LL USE THEIR HIGHEST LEAGUE AVERAGE OF 30 STRINGS MINIMUM IN ONE LEAGUE IN THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR. HANDICAPS WILL BE BASED ON 90% OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 130 AND THEIR AVERAGE. ONCE A BOWLER HAS AN M.S.C.B.A. AVERAGE THEY WILL STAY IN THE SYSTEM UNTIL THEY HAVEN’T COMPETED IN AN M.S.C.B.A. TOURNAMENT FOR THE PREVIOUS 3 YEARS.
- SENIOR AVERAGE SYSTEM IS BASED ON THE PREVIOUS 25 STRINGS BOWLED IN M.S.C.B.A. EVENTS BOWLERS WHO COMPETE IN CLASSIC AND SENIOR EVENTS THEIR AVERAGE WILL BE BASED ON 50 GAMES.

ALL EVENTS/SENIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SENIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, BOWLERS MUST COMPETE IN AT LEAST 5 OF THE 8 EVENTS. (25 STRINGS) IF A BOWLER COMPETES IN MORE THAN 5 EVENTS, THE BOWLERS LOW SCORES WILL BE DROPPED. THE TOP 20 MEN & WOMEN WILL BE INVITED TO COMPETE IN THE SENIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. IF A BOWLER CANNOT MAKE IT FOR ANY REASON, THE NEXT POSITION WILL BE

INVITED TO ENSURE WE HAVE 20 MEN & 20 WOMEN BOWLING IN THE EVENT. *A REFEREE WILL BE PRESENT FOR THIS EVENT*

FORMAT -- ALL BOWLERS WILL BOWL 5 STRINGS ACROSS 5 LANES. THE TOP 5 MEN & 5 WOMEN FROM THE ROLL-OFF WILL BOWL 1 ADDITIONAL “CHAMPIONSHIP STRING”. IN THE EVENT OF A TIE IN THE ROLL-OFF, HIGH SINGLE WITH HANDICAP WILL BE THE TIE BREAKER. THE “CHAMPIONSHIP STRING” WILL DETERMINE THE SENIOR STATE CHAMPION AS WELL AS PAYOUTS. TOP 5 ARE IN THE MONEY.

OTHER

1. ALL TOURNAMENTS WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE EXISTING RULES IN THE I.C.B.A. RULE BOOK.
2. ALL TOURNAMENTS WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE PROPRIETOR/MANAGER OF THE HOST CENTER.
3. WE WILL NOT HAVE REFEREES DURING SENIOR TOURNAMENTS. THE HOST CENTER HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY, WHICH DOES NOT ABIDE BY THE RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE M.S.C.B.A.
4. **PROPER DRESS CODE – ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR A BOWLING CENTER APPROVED BOWLING SHIRT WITH THE NAME OF THE HOUSE OR HOUSE LOGO THEY’RE REPRESENTING. ALL CLOTHING MUST BE NEAT, PRESENTABLE & COVERED. NO HATS/CAPS VISORS OR BANDANAS.**

SPORTSMANSHIP

1. THE BOWLERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO POLICE THEMSELVES AND FELLOW BOWLERS. IF ANY PARTICIPANT IS SEEN ACTING IN A MANNER THAT IS AGAINST I.C.B.A. RULES, PLEASE NOTIFY THE PROPRIETOR OR MANAGER. IT IS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE A DECISION NOT A BOWLERS.
2. **SECTION 1** ANY PARTICIPANT THAT DAMAGES OR ATTEMPTS TO DAMAGE ANY HOST LANES EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN DURING THE NORMAL AND ACCEPTABLE WAY OF DELIVERING A BOWLING BALL WILL BE IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE EVENT, FORFEITING ALL ENTRY FEES AND CLAIMS TO POTENTIAL WINNINGS. SHOULD THIS HAPPEN DURING A TEAMS EVENT, THE REMAINING TEAMMATES MAY CONTINUE TO BOWL AND THE OFFENDING BOWLER WILL BE GIVEN A ZERO FROM THAT POINT FORWARD. THE OFFENDING BOWLER WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM THE NEXT M.S.C.B.A. EVENT AND WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR COMPLETE RESTITUTION TO THE HOST LANES.
3. ANY PARTICIPANT WHO IS CONDUCTING THEMSELF IN A WAY TO DISRUPT OR DELAY THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF ANY EVENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SAME PENALTY AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1.
4. ANY PARTICIPANT THAT THREATENS ANYONE EITHER VERBALLY OR PHYSICALLY WILL RECEIVE THE SAME PENALTY AS SECTION 1 AND WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINING M.S.C.B.A. SEASON.
5. ANY BOWLER BEING DISRUPTIVE WHILE BOWLING OR KEEPING SCORE WILL BE WARNED FIRST. IF THE ACTIONS CONTINUE, THE BOWLER WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY OF SECTION 1. THIS INCLUDES BUT NOT LIMITED TO SOCIALLY UNACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE, GESTURES EITHER ON OR OFF THE LANES, CREATING EXCESSIVE NOISE, KICKING/STOMPING, SLAMMING BALLS ON THE RETURN OR OTHER BEHAVIOR DEEMED DISRUPTIVE.