

## NASSBT TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **REQUIREMENTS** – At the time of bowling you must be at least 60 years of age for males and 50 years of age for females.
2. **FEES** – The cost of each event is \$100. \$5.00 from each entry will be applied to the December year-end prize fund. December's entry fee will be \$125. A \$25.00 annual membership fee is due by your *fourth* tournament.
3. **YEAR END TOURNAMENT QUALIFICATION** –To be eligible you must bowl in a minimum of **3** tournaments during the year, which must include **1** summer tournament in (**June, July or August**).
4. **QUALIFYING FORMAT** – This tournament consists of 5 games of qualifying, moving pairs of lanes after each game. Should a tie occur after 5 games of qualifying, a 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> frame roll-off will determine the winner. If another tie occurs, the process will be repeated until a winner emerges.
5. **SCORING CHANGES** – Only by Tournament Director or Center staff member. All participants will be responsible for their own re-cap sheets. All scores must be verified by another bowler crossing on your pair of lanes; and submitting them to the tournament office. Any incorrect scores recorded on your re-cap will be subject to disqualification.
6. **DRESS CODE** – REQUIRED to wear a shirt with your name on the back; dress slacks, dress shorts, capris, skirts or skorts. **NO** hats or headbands, sweats or cut-offs.
7. **EQUIPMENT** – All bowling equipment must meet USBC regulations. New releases must be available to general public.
8. **APPRECIATION** – Show respect to each host center. Any issues with lane conditions or the center in general, will be addressed to the Tournament Director.
9. **RE-RACKS** – Only 2 re-racks are allowed per game, more than that requires director's approval.
10. **CHECK IN** - Saturday tournaments start check in at 8:30 am. Late entries will receive **ZERO** for any frames missed.
11. **LANE ASSIGNMENTS** – Assigned at the time of check-in. A member meeting will be conducted 15 minutes prior to start time in a designated area. Practice will be allowed for 15 minutes prior to scoring. **NO** altering of approaches is allowed. Bowling ball surface work must be completed during practice. **NO** altering of balls once competition begins! Violating these rules is subject to disqualification.
12. **ACCEPTANCE** – NASSBT reserves the right to accept or reject anyone from membership in their organization or participating as a non-member.
13. **RULES** – Governed by USBC rules. The Tournament Director has final say on all disputes & interpretation.
14. **QUALIFYING** - A one out of four ratio will be used for qualifying in this tournament.  
For *every four* 70+ (SSS) below the cutline, the single highest of the four will be placed into match play, women 60+ will be included in this category unless there are four women bowling in the qualifying round. If four women are bowling in the qualifying round, any female bowler 60+ will not be included in the SSS category and will be using the one out of four ratio for placing into match play.
15. **ELIGIBILITY** – \* **NO** PBA National Tour Titleholders are eligible. No current members of the PBA/WPBA will be permitted to bowl. \*Anyone, having won \$10,000.00 or more in a single event will be ineligible to bowl, until 10 years have passed since that win. Anyone having a won PBA/WPBA regional event will be ineligible to bowl until 10 years have passed since that win was achieved.

\* Refer to USBC Rule 319

**RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**