**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. **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 9th & 10th frame roll-off will determine the winner. If another tie occurs, the process will be repeated until a winner emerges.

4. **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.

5. **DRESS CODE** – **REQUIRED to wear a shirt with your name on the back.** Dress slacks or dress shorts are allowed. For the ladies, capris, skirts or skorts. **No jeans, t-shirts, tank tops**, **hats, headbands, sweats, or cut-offs.** 1st offense receives a warning, 2nd offense receives a $10. penalty

6. **EQUIPMENT** – All bowling equipment must meet USBC regulations. New releases must be approved by tournament officers.

7. **APPRECIATION** – Show respect to each host center. Any issues with lane conditions or the center in general, will be addressed to the Tournament Director.

8. **RE-RACKS** – Only 2 re-racks are allowed per game, more than that requires director’s approval.

9. **CHECK IN** - Saturday tournaments start check in at 8:30 am. Late entries will receive **ZERO** for any frames missed.

10. **LANE ASSIGNMENTS** – Assigned at the time of check-in. A member meeting will be conducted minutes prior to start time at 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.

11. **ACCEPTANCE** – NASSBT reserves the right to accept or reject anyone from membership in their organization or participating as a non-member.

12. **RULES** – Governed by USBC rules. The Tournament Director has final say on all disputes & interpretation.

13. **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.

14. **ELIGIBILITY – \* *NO*** PBA National Tour Titleholders are eligible. No current members of the PBA/WPBA will be permitted to bowl. Anyone having won a PBA/WPBA regional event will be ineligible to bowl until 10 years have passed since that win was achieved. 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.

15. **YEAR END TOURNAMENT QUALIFICATION** –To be eligible, you **must** bowl in a minimum of **3** tournaments **during the year**. For our **Non-Champion’s Tournamen**t, you **must** participate in 2 tournaments **prior** to the non-Champion’s tournament in the 2022 season.

16. Any NASSBT bowler who wins three (3) titles or earns $3,000. in total winnings **will be ineligible** to bowl the remaining regular events. However, ***they will be eligible*** to compete in the Tournament of Champions and the Year End Tournament.

In 2022 NASSBT will conduct our 1st **Tournament of Champions**!

**RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**