

Reservation holders must remit entry form and fees 2 WEEKS prior to date of bowling to GUARANTEE reservation.

1. ELIGIBILITY

All bowlers must be members of a MN State USBC Association.

Eligible non-members within the jurisdiction of the MN State USBC Association may participate in this tournament by purchasing an USBC Associate Membership (\$4.00) prior to competition.

Failure to have membership shall result in disqualification and forfeiture of all prize winnings.

2. AVERAGES

Highest Standard or Adjusted Sport League Average Shall Be Used (Adjusted average will be used if no standard average available)

All certified averages will be used as per the following:

A Highest **CURRENT** average, minimum of **21** games.

B Highest current league average, as of the **BOWLER'S FIRST** date of competition, minimum of **12** games.

C All others will use a 210 scratch average.

If due to an injury; a bowler has established a current season's average by using the opposite hand that was used to establish the previous season's average, the current season's average may be used if the procedures in USBC Rule 4E are adhered to.

3. ENTRY FEES

Handicap Team, Doubles & Singles

\$20.00 per Person per Event

Prize Fee - \$9.50 Lineage - \$8.50; Expense Fee - \$2.00

Handicap All Events \$5.00

Optional Scratch Events - Doubles, Singles, AE
\$5.00 per Person per Event

4. PAYBACK RATIOS

All prize money will be returned 100% as follows:

Handicap Team, Doubles, Singles – 1:4 ratio

Handicap All Events – 1:4 ratio

Optional Scratch Events – 1:4 ratio

5. DIVISIONS

Event	<u>DIV 1</u>	<u>DIV 2</u>	<u>DIV 3</u>	<u>DIV 4</u>
Team.	626 & Over	520-625	400-519	399 & Under
Doubles	370 & Over	300-369	240-299	239 & Under
Singles	185 & Over	150-184	120-149	119 & Under

HANDICAP

90% of the difference between the team average and 840, doubles 90% of the difference of team average of 420 and singles 90% of 210.

6. PARTICIPATION

Team Event – A bowler may enter the Four Person Events three times. Team rosters may NOT have more than two of the same players on a 4 person team.

Bowler's first score in the Team Event shall be used for their All Events. USBC Rule 322b applies to absentee scores.

Doubles– Bowlers may participate up to 3 times in Doubles. Bowler's first score in the Doubles Event shall be used for their All Events

Singles- A bowler may only participate in Singles once. Bowler's first score in the Singles Event shall be used for their All Events

7. SUBSTITUTIONS

Bowlers failing to appear at scheduled times and are unable to be rescheduled will forfeit their entry fees.

8. OPTIONAL EVENTS

A. HANDICAP ALL EVENTS

The \$5.00 entry fee must accompany entry form.

B. SCRATCH EVENTS

The \$5.00 per person per event entry fee must accompany entry form. Prizes will be based on ACTUAL scores.

C. BRACKETS

Individual Handicap Brackets will be conducted for each squad.

9. AWARDS

The Actual & Handicap Champions, and a guest for each, in each event in each division will receive Awards and Dinners at the Banquet of Champions.

The bowlers in 1st place for each division will receive plaques, medals will be awarded at a 1:4 ratio per division.

Scholarships will also be awarded to the winners for the following:

- *Gert Finke Scholarship: will be awarded to one girl and one boy in each division for an actual High Game and actual High Series. High Series takes precedents over High Game and the bowler qualifies for only one award. Top 5 for girls and boys.
- *Dawn Crowson Scholarship: will be awarded to one girl and one boy in each division for high game and high series based on individual handicap. High Series takes precedents over High Game and the bowler qualifies for only one award. Top 5 for girls and boys.
- *Jamie Tischer Scholarship: will be awarded one boy and one girl in each division who bowls the most pins over their average for their TEAM series.

Note: To be eligible for the Gert Finke, Dawn Crowson or Jamie Tischer scholarship the bowler MUST bowl Team Event

10. OTHER ITEMS

Any tournament game or frame(s) irretrievably lost due to the malfunction of an automatic scorer may be re-bowled, upon approval of tournament management.

Violation of any USBC or tournament rules will result in forfeiture of entry fees and prize winnings.

-All Scholarships are deposited in MN State USBC Association SMART Program #8699

-Proper attire must be worn. No tank tops, halter tops, abbreviated shirts, revealing attire and hats or caps. -- Tournament director will make final decisions on all attire.

-All rules not covered will be covered by the USBC Playing Rules. **There will also be no open bowling or practice on day of tournament.**

NO ENTRY FEES WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER RECEIPT.

The MN State USBC Association will be responsible for refund of entry fees only in the event the tournament is prematurely terminated due to causes beyond its control. When two establishments are used, only the events involved will be terminated. Prizes will be pro-rated based on the number of participants that have bowled as of that date.