

2025 ALASKA STATE USBC OPEN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT RULES - USBC CERTIFIED

1. All entrants in the Alaska State USBC Open Senior Championship Tournament must be members in good standing in their local Alaska Association, Alaska State USBC and USBC. To be eligible to enter the Alaska State USBC Open Senior Championship Tournament, a bowler must have a current season card purchased through a certified league or purchase a card from the Tournament Manager or a tournament official.
2. A Tournament entry will consist of six games of singles. These must be bowled in two three-game sets and must be bowled consecutively in date order. The sets must be bowled in the same league as declared by the bowler on the Tournament entry. Total pins with handicap will determine each division winner. You may enter up to twice per league however, in no case shall the same individual be permitted to place more than once in the prize list for position standings.
3. **Prior to the start of league play and PRIOR TO ROLLING THE FIRST BALL you must declare to your League Secretary your intent to participate in the Tournament by paying your entry fee and having your League Secretary sign and date your entry form. A copy of the official recap sheet must accompany the entry. A legible photocopy of the recap sheet is permitted. Entries that do not have proper verification shall be disqualified. Your League Secretary will submit your entry form as directed.**
4. The Tournament will be classified. Handicap shall be 100% of the difference between the individual's average and 230 (230 minus your average = your handicap).
5. Entrants in the Alaska State USBC Open Senior Championship Tournament shall use their highest USBC book average from the league that they are submitting their entry from in the following order:
 - A. Previous winter season, provided they have bowled 21 or more games.
 - B. If there is no previous winter average, then they shall use their current average for 9 games or more as of their first entry in the Tournament. **A current standing sheet must accompany your entry.**
 - C. If an entrant has neither A or B then they shall use their highest USBC book average of at least 12 games from the previous season.
 - D. All others bowl scratch.The entrant must use their highest USBC certified league average regardless of whether bowled as a regular member or a substitute.
6. It is the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their age and average. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify the score if submitted average is lower than correct average, thereby resulting in higher handicap. Prize winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average.
7. **Entrants will be classified by their age on July 1, 2026, as follows: SUPER SENIOR – 75 and up, CLASS A 70-74 years; CLASS B - 65-69 years; CLASS C – 60-64 years; CLASS D - 55-59 years and CLASS E - 50-54 years.**
8. USBC Rule 319a2 (10 pin rule) does not apply. Rule 319c does not apply. Rule 319d does not apply. Rule 319e is waived.
9. Prize fund will be returned based on one in five entries, per division. Entry fees will not be refunded. Entry fees will be \$30 per entry (6 games) - \$12 prize fund, \$1.50 expense, \$1.50 fees, \$15 National entry & shirt. A minimum of 70 entries must be received for the State to cover the cost of the shirt.
10. In case of a tie for the winner of the division those names will be placed in a hat and the winner drawn to be the representative to the National Senior Open Tournament.
11. All prize funds shall be distributed within 30 days following the close of the tournament, except when USBC has authorized delay in payment pending the settlement of a claim or protest which affects position standings.
12. Any protest affecting eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to an association official or USBC within 24 hours of the end of the tournament before the prize payments are made. Errors in scoring must be reported to the tournament director within 24 hours.
13. The tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the USBC rules governing state association tournaments and the USBC general playing rules.
14. The Alaska State USBC Open Senior Championship Tournament is to be held October 1, 2025 through October 31, 2025, with entries closing October 31, 2025.
15. Scores used for the Alaska USBC Senior Open Tournament MAY be used for the Alaska USBC Senior Women's Tournament.
16. Standings will be posted on our Facebook page Alaska State USBC and www.bowlalaska.com and on Instagram at alaskastateusbc.
17. League Secretaries shall collect all payments and log date received in an envelope and mail it to Alaska State USBC, PO Box 221515, Anchorage, AK 99522-1515. Entries must be received by November 11, 2025. Checks should be made payable to Alaska State USBC.
18. Winners in each division will be contacted in the order of their standings to determine their participation in the National Seniors Tournament Aug 4-7, 2026 in Green Bay, WI. Participants for that tournament can only qualify through their state senior tournament. The national Tournament entry fee is paid by the Alaska State USBC. The National Tournament shirt will be paid by the State as long as at least 70 entries are received. *Travel, hotel and all other expenses are the responsibility of the bowler.* If contacted, you will be advised of your response deadline. After that time, the next person in the standings will be contacted. We need to give the final participants the time to acquire the best air fares and hotel rates. **IF YOU RESPOND THAT YOU WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT AND DO NOT SHOW OR DO NOT NOTIFY THE STATE ASSOCIATION MANAGER PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2026 THAT YOU CANNOT ATTEND, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE STATE THE ENTRY FEE AND JERSEY AMOUNT.**

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PLEASE READ THE RULES CAREFULLY AS THEY HAVE CHANGED! All entries must be signed by your league secretary and payment made PRIOR to bowling.

NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ AVERAGE (SEE RULE #5): _____ SANCTION #: _____ - _____

Check one **(use age as of July 1, 2026):**

- ☐ Super Senior 75+
☐ Class C 60-64

☐ Class A 70-74
☐ Class D 55-59

☐ Class B 65-69
☐ Class E 50-54

Entry fees will be \$30 per entry (6 games) **ENTRIES MUST BE TURNED IN TO YOUR LEAGUE SECRETARY PRIOR TO BOWLING.** You may enter twice per league. Checks should be made payable to Alaska State USBC. Winners of each division are eligible to participate in the Senior National Tournament Aug 4-7 in Green Bay, WI.

Entry #1	Secretary Signature:				Secretary Signature:						
Date Bowled	Game #1	Game #2	Game #3	Date Bowled	Game #4	Game #5	Game #6	6-game Series	Handicap (see rule #4)	Total Score	

Entry #2	Secretary Signature:				Secretary Signature:						
Date Bowled	Game #1	Game #2	Game #3	Date Bowled	Game #4	Game #5	Game #6	6-game Series	Handicap (see rule #4)	Total Score	

League Name: _____ House: _____

I hereby certify that all the above information is correct including average and date of birth.

Entrant Signature: _____ Date: _____

REMEMBER:

- Read all the rules as they have changed
- League Secretary or other league official must sign off PRIOR to bowling
- **A signed recap sheet must accompany this entry**
- Handicap and Average (according to rule #4 and #5 respectively) must be filled in
- Sanction number must be included
- **ALL ENTRIES ARE TO BE TURNED INTO YOUR LEAGUE SECRETARY.**
- Please enclose a check or cash for the entry fees
- **BE SURE TO US THE CORRECT AGE DIVISION**

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Date Received _____

Pymt Type/Amt _____

Entry # _____