

STATE TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1a. This tournament will be one division. Handicap will be 90% of 230 for SINGLES, 90% of 460 for DOUBLES, and 90% of 1150 for the TEAM EVENT. Should any SINGLES be in excess of 230, DOUBLES 460, or TEAM 1150, they will receive ZERO (0) handicap. Entrants will use their highest USBC CERTIFIED league average based on a minimum of twenty-one (21) games for 2017-2018 season. If current USBC average as of December 31, 2018, (21 games or more), is ten (10) or more pins above the 2017-2018 season USBC average, the current USBC average must be used. If no USBC average last year, use the highest current CERTIFIED USBC league average, 21 games or more as of December 31, 2018. (USBC Rule 319a1). **ALL OTHERS WILL BE ENTERED AT AN AVERAGE OF 230.**
- 1b. **USBC Rule 319 a/1, 2, 3 & 4; Averages.** It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average, whether originally submitted by the bowler, their team captain or others. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction by the completion of the first game of a series shall disqualify the score if submitted average is lower than actual average. If submitted average is higher than actual average, prize winnings will be based on submitted average.
- 1c. **USBC Rule 201b; Sport League Averages.** A bowler must submit and use their adjusted sport bowling league average utilizing the USBC Average Adjustment Scale (See Rule 201a) and identify themselves as a sport bowler, if the bowler does not have a standard league average from the same season(s) specified in the tournament's entering average rule as the sport bowling average.
2. **USBC Rule 319c; Average Adjustment.** The average of any bowler may be adjusted upward by the tournament director upon recommendation of the local association of the bowler in question. Any adjustment must be made prior to bowling. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded.
3. **USBC Rule 319d; REPORTING PRIOR PRIZE WINNINGS.** Will apply to this tournament. Any bowler who has qualified for a cash and/or merchandise prize of \$300.00 or more in any event of any tournament within the last 12-month period, sanctioned or unsanctioned tournaments, must report the name of each tournament, actual score, position and amount won. Failure to comply is cause of forfeiture of any entry fee and prize winnings. All bowlers regardless of average must comply.
4. **USBC Rule 319e; Average Adjustment.** Entrants who exceed their highest league average in tournament play should refer to and comply with USBC rule 319e. This must be accomplished prior to entering the tournament and will apply to all bowlers.
5. Entry fee: \$150.00 for team \$60.00 for doubles, \$30.00 for singles, \$10.00 for handicap all-events. The entry fee is \$30 per person per event; this includes \$13.45 prize fee, \$14.55 bowling fee, \$2.00 tournament expense. The \$10.00 all-events entry fee includes \$10.00 for all-events prizes. Prize ratio is at least one (1) for every ten (10) entries, (one (1) in twenty (20) for handicap all-events). Prize fee will be returned 100% within each event. **NO ENTRY FEE WILL BE RETURNED AFTER THE SCHEDULE HAS BEEN PRINTED.**
6. All entries postmarked midnight March 13th will be published in the printed schedule that will be e-mailed to each house in the state association. Entries received after March 13th will be scheduled in order received on a space available basis. Schedule will also be posted at www.bowlalaska.com and www.bowl907.com and on the **Alaska State USBC Facebook page.**
7. **The tournament can be extended if the number of entries warrant. However, no squads will be added prior to the schedules opening squad or after the scheduled closing squad. Tournament director reserves the right to cancel any squad that does not have enough entries. ENTRIES CLOSE 4:30 PM MARCH 31st.**
8. **Tournament officials will draw for lanes prior to squad times. Singles and Doubles will bowl on the left side of the team event.**
9. Entries will be accepted on a space available basis up to thirty (30) minutes prior to each squad. Both team event and doubles/singles events will be available during ALL squads. All lanes will be dressed before the start of each squad for both team and doubles/singles.
10. Enter as many times and events as you want, however, in singles an individual can only place once in the prize list for position standings. An individual can place only once with the same partner in doubles. No more than three (3) individuals on the same team can place more than once in the prize list for position standings. If you bowl doubles, you must bowl singles, singles shall be bowled first. When a bowler completes more than once, his first appearance in each event shall count towards his all-events score.
11. All participants must be members of the United States Bowling Congress, having obtained such membership through a certified league in a local association within the jurisdiction of the Alaska State Bowling Association. Non-USBC members who are residents of the State of Alaska may establish membership by purchase of an affiliate membership.
12. **USBC Rule 322 a & b; Players.** No absentee (blind) scores shall be permitted nor shall any unreasonable delay in the progress of any game be allowed. Any bowler not ready to bowl in their regular turn shall receive a zero (0) for each frame missed.
13. **USBC Rule 324 a & b; Lineup Changes** or substitutions must be made at the tournament directors office as early as possible, but in any event, not later than thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the squad. Substitutions during a game must follow the guidelines of USBC rule 324b.
14. Averages of substitute bowlers must be listed in a yearbook or certified by the local association within fourteen (14) days, or be entered at 230.
15. **USBC Rule 329, Protests and Appeals.** All claims of error must be submitted in writing to the tournament director within seventy-two (72) hours after the individual or team has bowled.
16. **USBC Tournament Rules Chapter 6.** All rules and regulations applying to tournament play will be strictly enforced. Should any misunderstanding develop, a tournament official should be called immediately.
17. In compliance with the Alcohol Beverage Control Board, all bowlers under 21 years of age will not be allowed to bowl on lanes that alcoholic beverages will be served and/or consumed unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. All teams with an unaccompanied bowler under the age of 21 will bowl on lanes set aside with no alcohol service or consumption. Squads starting at 11:00 a.m. or earlier will not consume alcoholic beverages on the lanes.
18. A Special Scratch Division Option for teams, doubles and singles: any bowler may participate in an optional scratch prize fund by so designating on the entry form and paying an additional \$10.00 per bowler per event. Only those events so paid will be placed in the scratch prize listing. All bowlers for any particular event must pay the scratch funds (e.g. for a team to be on the scratch prize listing, all bowlers must have paid). Bowlers entering singles are not required to enter doubles; bowlers entering doubles are not required to enter singles. The scores entered in the scratch event are taken from the handicap tournament bowling. **THESE SCORES ARE BOWLED CONCURRENTLY.** The \$10.00 includes \$9.50 for prizes and \$.50 for expenses. The prize ratio will be at least one (1) for every ten (10) entries.

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ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, March 30, 2019 10 a.m.
Breakfast • 11 a.m. Meeting

Location: Eagle River Bowl