

72nd Annual Topeka USBC BA Championship Tournament Rules

1. Only current members in good standing of the Topeka USBC BA and meet one of the following criteria will be eligible to bowl in this tournament:
 - A. Have an average in the Topeka USBC BA yearbook from the previous year (2010-2011).
 - B. Have bowled a minimum of 12 games prior to January 1, 2012 in a Topeka USBC BA league.
2. Entrants average for the tournament will be as follows:
 - A. The highest average in the Topeka USBC BA yearbook from the previous year (2010-2011).
 - B. If entrant does not have an average in the Topeka USBC BA yearbook from the previous year (2010-2011), the average will be determined by the following criteria:
 1. Highest current average, minimum of 21 games, as of January 1, 2012 from a Topeka USBC BA league.
 2. Entrants with less than 21 games will use a scratch average of 220.
 - C. The 10-pin rule will be in effect. If the January 1, 2012 average is 10 or more pins higher than the highest average in the Topeka USBC BA yearbook from the previous year (2010-2011), the January 1, 2012 average is to be used.
3. It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of the average used in this tournament. If the entering average is lower than the actual average and the fails to correct the average prior to the completion of the first game of any event bowled shall disqualify the score. If the entering average is higher than the actual average and is not corrected, then all scores will be based on the entering average.
4. **Entrants may now bowl up to three times in Doubles**, but must switch partners on each entry and enter before the deadline. **Rentries are not allowed**. The first score bowled counts towards your all-events score. You may enter only once in the singles event. A bowler who enters singles or doubles must bowl both events. Both events will be bowled on the same pair of lanes with the doubles event being bowled first.
5. Entrants may bowl any combination of three times in the team event between the 4 and 5 man events subject to the following conditions:
 - A. No more than three players may compete on the same team more than once in the 5-man event and no more than two players may compete on the same team in the 4-man event.
 - B. A player's first team score will count towards their all-events score.
6. This shall be a handicap tournament divided into two divisions in the singles, doubles and all-events events which will be known as Div 1 and Div 2. Handicap shall be 90% of 220 based on team average.
7. Breakdown of events/divisions:
 - A. Team: One division in each the 5-man and 4-man events.
 - B. Doubles: Div 1 – team averages of 380 and above. Div 2 – team averages of 379 and below.
 - C. Singles: Div 1 – Individual average of 190 and above. Div 2 – Individual averages of 189 and below.
 - D. All Events (optional): **Div 1** – Individual average of 190 and above. **Div 2** – Individual average of 189 and below. **Senior A/E** – Open to those age 55 - 64 as of August 1, 2011. **Super Senior A/E** – Open to those aged 65+ as of August 1, 2011. **Scratch A/E** – Open to all. Only scratch scores are counted. No handicap is added. **Mulligan All Events** – (Scratch and Handicap divisions). Use the highest single game from each of the three regular all events scores.
 - E. 6 Game Combine – Open to all. This is a scratch event that combines the 3 games from Singles and your first Doubles series into an "All-Events" type event.
8. Team captains will be notified by mail of their scheduled date and time of bowling prior to the start of the tournament. Team captains must check in their team 30 minutes prior to squad time. A team best-ball tournament will be offered for each team squad. One ball per frame. Bowlers one and two need to knock down 8 or more pins. Bowlers three and four need to knock down 9 or more. The anchor bowler (4th man on 4-man teams) needs to strike or have the "best ball" of the remaining teams.
9. If paying by credit card, the number may be given at time of bowling. Refunds will only be given in emergency situations.
10. Rules not covered on this form shall be covered by the current USBC playing rules book.
11. ***** Pella Windows and Overhead Doors contributed \$1,200 to the prize fund. The remaining added money will come from lane sweep ads and proceeds from the bowling ball ruffle and brackets. *****

Last year 1 in 5 entries cashed due to added prize money

Entries close midnight January 21st. No entries accepted after this date!