



# IOWA STATE USBC "BVL" Mail-in Singles Tournament (USBC Certified)



The Iowa State USBC will conduct a mail-in singles tournament for all current Iowa adult USBC members in support of the Bowlers to Veterans Link ("BVL"). The BVL raises approximately one million dollars each year for the nation's veterans in need, as well as supporting hundreds of other therapeutic and recreational programs at VA Medical Centers, Vet Clinics and Out-Patient Clinics. The BVL, founded in 1942, is located in Fairfax, Virginia.

## TOURNAMENT RULES

This tournament will be conducted by the Iowa State USBC ("ISUSBC"). An ISUSBC board member (or an appointee at the discretion of the Board) will be the Tournament Director. This tournament will carry its own certification. Awards will be issued through leagues/tournaments.

## QUALIFICATIONS TO BOWL

1. Entrant must be a current member of USBC and the Iowa State USBC and be actively participating in an USBC certified league.
2. USBC rules 319a-e will be waived, except for 319a-3.

## PARTICIPATION

3. Entrants may submit one entry for each USBC certified league in which they participate.
4. Entrant may submit one entry for each TEAM EVENT of the local association championship tournament in which they participate IF THE TOURNAMENT IS CONDUCTED DURING THE TIME FRAME OF THIS TOURNAMENT. Tournament TEAM EVENT entries must be so designated on the entry form.
5. There will be six (6) divisions: three (3) for women, three (3) for men.
  - (a) Women – averages: (1) 135 and below; (2) 136 thru 155; (3) 156 and above.
  - (b) Men – averages: (1) 170 and below; (2) 171 thru 190; (3) 191 and above.

## AVERAGES AND HANDICAP

6. Entrant must use their **highest certified league average**, in the following order:
  - (a) Previous season, minimum of 21 games (**including summer averages**).
  - (b) **Date of participation (DOP) (the day they bowl, prior to session starting), minimum of 12 games. Please make sure all averages are supplied!!!**
  - (c) All others bowl scratch.
7. Reporting of averages is the sole responsibility of the bowler. Rule 319a, item 3 will be enforced.
8. The tournament director DOES retain the right to verify and correct averages.
9. The tournament will be handicapped at 100% of 240.

## DATES, DEADLINES AND CONDITIONS

10. Entry deadline shall be October 31, 2023.
11. Entrant shall use CERTIFIED league or tournament scores bowled the week of November 5 thru November 11.
12. If entrant is unable to bowl the week of November 5 thru 11 due to illness, weather, postponements, etc., scores from the week of November 12 thru November 18 may be used.
13. Recap sheets (photocopies are acceptable) of scores bowled must accompany the score verification form. Any score verification form returned without a copy of the recap sheet will be declared ineligible.
14. Scores bowled in non-certified leagues will not be permitted.
15. Score verification deadline will be December 4, 2023.

## FEES

16. Entry fee will be \$5.00 (\$2.00 prize fund, \$2.20 to the BVL, 40¢ for expenses, 40¢ for director's fee).
17. Entry fees are not transferable or refundable.

## PRIZES

18. Prize money paid for each division will be returned 100% to winners in that division only and will be distributed within thirty (30) days from the deadline for the return of score verification.
19. Prizes will be based on a ratio of 1 for each 6 entries or major fraction.

## DISCLAIMER/PROTEST

20. All other USBC rules and regulations shall apply. USBC language/rules will apply in all areas affected.
21. The ISUSBC Board of Directors shall decide any questions not covered by these rules and shall have the power to hear and act on all protests concerning the tournament and its rules.

**ENTRY ON REVERSE**