



# IOWA STATE USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT RULES

## GENERAL

Print or typewrite all information requested. First and last names of all entrants in full required.

Only Standard and Booster Division handicapped. All Standard and Booster prize fees shall remain in respective division prize money. Standard teams shall not be eligible to cash in the Open or Booster Division. Booster teams shall not be eligible to cash in Open or Standard Division.

No team or individual shall be entitled to a refund after entry blank and fees have been received and definite dates assigned.

## ELIGIBILITY

The Iowa State USBC shall accept entries in the Iowa State Open Championship Tournament only from teams and individual bowling under their jurisdiction. In addition, a non-resident who is eligible for the state tournament in their state of residence must be a member of an association in the state of Iowa 30 days prior to bowling. Unmarried grade and high school students who have not attained the age of eighteen (18) must have written consent of their parents or guardian in order to participate in this state tournament. Said written consent must be on a form approved by USBC and must be on file with the tournament association manager at least one (1) week before the bowler is eligible to bowl in tournament competition, unless the student is accompanied by their parent or legal guardian, in which case the parental consent form may be filed up to the time the student starts to bowl.

A bowler is permitted to bowl only once in the five-person, once in the two-person and once in the individual events. The penalty for an infraction of this rule is expulsion from organized bowling, disqualification of the team and forfeiture of entry fees and prize money.

## AVERAGES

Highest USBC certified league average at the end of 2017-18 season, must be submitted. USBC Rule 319a-3 shall apply.

Individual bowling in more than one league will have their eligibility in Booster Division based on their highest USBC certified average. Falsification of average will be subject to disqualification.

1. Entrants will use highest USBC certified league average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2017-18 season.
2. If no average last year, use highest current USBC certified average, 21 games or more, as of February 1, 2019.

Summer league average will be used if bowler has no winter league average in 1, or 2. All others will bowl at scratch. Scratch shall be 210. Sport bowling averages will not be used.

## THE FOLLOWING APPLIES TO THE STANDARD & BOOSTER DIVISIONS

Divisions USBC Rule 319-a-2, 319-d & 319-e will not apply. Any bowler who reports a lower average than required shall forfeit tournament entry fees and prize winnings or base prize winnings on submitted average if it is higher

## IMPORTANT TOURNAMENT RULES

### SUBSTITUTIONS

When a team entered in the Standard or Booster Division makes a substitution in their lineup which raises the team average above 1046, the team must bowl in the Open Division. If Booster team lineup raises team average between 901 and 1045, the team must bowl in the Standard Division.

No entrant may change their scheduled position in the five-person event after lineup has been handed in at the secretarial desk. If a change in lineup is desired it must be made at the Association Manager office no later than 30 minutes prior to the time said team is scheduled to bowl.

Both members of a Doubles team must bowl in the order listed on the entry blank on the same pair of lanes and at the same time. If unable to bowl at scheduled time, a written request must be made with the Association Manager of the Iowa State USBC at least 24 hours before the scheduled time of bowling.

Substitution for an original A.E. entrant will be permitted, providing an affidavit is signed prior to participation by the original All Events entrant or substitute in either the five-person, two-person or individual events.

Prize fee for the sixth bowler will be accepted up to closing date of entries if unrestricted A.E. eligibility is desired.

### SHADOW – PRACTICE TIME LIMITS

Prior to start of these events:

Team Event – 10 minutes of practice.

Singles Event – 6 minutes of practice

Doubles Event – no practice.

### STATE DUES

All entrants must be a member of the USBC, a local bowling association and have paid \$1.00 Iowa State USBC state dues.

### ENTRIES CLOSE DECEMBER 1

All entries postmarked the first post office business day following entry closing date shall be accepted. Full remittance (prize, bowling and expense fees) in check or money order must accompany entry blank.

### PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

The prize list shall be prepared on the basis of one prize to every five entries in Team, Doubles, and Singles. All Events, one prize to every twenty entries.

### PENALTY FOR RULES VIOLATION

Any person who bowls under an assumed name, bowls under the name of an entrant scheduled in the tournament but fails to attend, or who is under suspension, or any team which employs a person herein described, both the person individually and the team collectively shall forfeit their entry and any and all rights to claim or hold any trophy or prize awarded in such tournament. Such person or persons involved are also subject to suspension.

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

March 15-16, 2019  
Wild Rose Casino & Resort  
Clinton, IA

## **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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## **TOURNAMENT HOST HOTEL RESERVATION**

The Merrill Hotel & Conference Center  
119 Mississippi Drive, West  
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