



IOWA STATE USBC WOMEN'S STATE TOURNAMENT 2026 - OTTUMWA, IA

GENERAL

All required information (full name, USBC #, averages) must be furnished.

100% handicap on 240 base in Team, Doubles, Singles, & All Events. Optional Scratch Singles and Optional Scratch All Events. No team or individual shall be entitled to a refund after registration or entry blank and fees have been received and definite dates assigned.

ELIGIBILITY

The Iowa State USBC shall accept entries in the Iowa State USBC Women's State Championship Tournament only from teams and individuals bowling under their jurisdiction. In addition, a non-resident who is eligible for the state tournament in their state of residency must be a member of an association in the state of Iowa prior to bowling. Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Multiple participation is allowed in Team and Doubles and Singles (Entry in singles required for each doubles entry). 2 (two) bowlers must change in the Team event and 1 (one) bowler must change in the Doubles event. 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 <u>including adjusted sport averages</u> at the end of the previous season must be submitted, USBC Rule 319a-3 shall apply. Falsification of average will be subject to disqualification.

- 1. Entrants will use their highest USBC certified league average based on a minimum of 21 games, including summer average and adjusted sport average, for the previous season.
- 2. If no average last season, use highest current USBC certified average, 21 games or more, as of January 1.
- 3. If no average using 1 & 2, bowler may bowl with a 12-game minimum average as of the date of participation in the tournament.
- 4. All others will bowl scratch. Scratch shall be **240**.

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

Any lineup changes must be done 24 hours ahead of scheduled FIRST EVENT time - Team or Doubles - NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!

Both members of a Doubles team must bowl in the order listed on the entry blank/online registration, on the same pair of lanes and at the same time. If unable to bowl at scheduled time, a request must be made with the Tournament Manager of the Iowa State USBC Women's State Championship Tournament 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 Team, Doubles or Singles events.

Prize fee for the sixth bowler will be accepted up to the closing date of entries if unrestricted A.E. eligibility is desired. State association championship plaques will be awarded to each champion in Team, Doubles, Singles and All Events, Scratch All Events and Scratch Singles.

PRACTICE TIME LIMITS

Prior to start of these events: Team 10 minutes of practice; Doubles 6 minutes of practice; Singles no practice.

STATE DUES

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

ENTRIES CLOSE 30 DAYS PRIOR TO TOURNAMENT STARTING DATE

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