

## 53rd Annual Arizona State USBC Senior Open Championship Tournament Rules

1. The purpose of the Annual Senior Open Tournament is to determine the Arizona State Senior Open Champions in the four-member Team Event, Doubles Event, Singles Event, and All Events.
2. The following limits shall apply to card-carrying members of any organization of Professional Bowlers. Not more than one such player on a four-member team line up or two-member line-up.
3. To bowl either doubles or singles you must bowl both.
4. Trophies will be awarded for the Highest Scratch Pinfall in each event, based on Average Division. In case of a tie in the Special Age Division Prize, the high scratch series will prevail.
5. Cash prizes will be awarded for each event on a handicap basis, based on Average Division. Team and Doubles & Singles Payout ratio will be 1 in 8 and All Events will be 1 in 12.
6. Special "Age Group" Prizes: Bowler must enter Team, Doubles and Singles events on the entry form to qualify to represent Arizona State USBC in the USBC National Senior Tournament. The winners will receive a paid entry into the tournament and a shirt. The Arizona State USBC prize is a special service to the senior bowlers and will be given to the handicap all events winner of each AGE DIVISION. In case of a tie, the high scratch series will prevail.
7. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference between the entrants' average and 230.
8. All entrants must be a current member of the Arizona State USBC Association, and 50 years of age or older by October 23, 2021. Qualifying averages, in order of acceptability, shall be:
  - a. Highest 2020-21 book average of 21 or more games. If you do not have a 2020-21 book average we will accept the 2019-20 book average.
  - b. Highest current average of 21 or more games in the same league as of October 23, 2021 with written verification from the league secretary.
  - c. If none of the above, bowler will be assigned an average of 230.
  - d. It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of her average see USBC Rule 319a & 319c.
  - e. USBC Rules 319d, and 319e will not apply to this tournament.
9. **USBC Rule 319c. Average adjustments—Rerate: If the current average is ten (10) pins higher than the book average, the current average must be used.**
10. **USBC Membership cards, or proof of purchase, must be presented in order to bowl.** No memberships will be sold at the tournament site.
11. No entry fees shall be returned after the close of entries for the tournament except at the discretion of the tournament committee.
12. Individuals may enter Team Event TWICE with no more than two people being the same. The first score bowled in **team event** will be used for the all events.
13. Substitutions may be made up to 1 hour prior to squad time.
14. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final, unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC Rule 329. **PROTESTS MUST BE FILED IN WRITING WITHIN 24 HOURS.**
15. Any check returned for non-payment will be charged a \$20.00 processing fee. Any returned check not made good by October 23, 2021 will result in disqualification of the entry.
16. DRESS CODE RULE: Participants will wear a shirt with sleeves. Hemmed shorts\*, skorts\*, and jeans (with no holes) will be allowed. \*NOTE: Skirt, skorts, and short hemlines must extend beyond bowler's fingertips when standing relaxed and arms are extended downward at the bowler's side. Prohibited attire includes, but is not limited to: tank top shirts, cut offs, short shorts, headgear (allowed for medical reasons only), and sweats, spandex. Shirts with inappropriate or vulgar pictures or writing will not be allowed. Electronic Devices are prohibited during competition. Failure to comply, bowler will not be allowed to bowl and cause forfeiture of entry fees. Tournament director or designee's decision as to appropriateness of attire will be final.
17. **No one other than contestants, score monitors, and tournament officials will be allowed in the bowling area.**
18. **Unsportsmanlike behavior by a team or individual will not be tolerated. One warning will be issued and then if the conduct continues the Team or bowler will be asked to leave causing disqualification.**

Division	1	2	3	4	5	6
Age	50 -54	55 -59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 -74	75 & Older

DIVISIONS			
TEAM	A 780 & Over	B 720 - 779	C 719 & Under
DOUBLES	A 390 & Over	B 360 - 389	C 359 & Under
SINGLES	A 195 & Over	B 180 - 194	C 179 & Under