

2017 Texas State USBC Mixed Tournament Rules

1. Entry is open to USBC adult members who are bowling in the State of Texas only. The tournament will be certified by USBC.
2. The tournament will be a handicap event and will include competition in Team, Doubles and Singles Events. Bowlers competing in all three events may participate in All Events prizes by paying a fee of \$5.00 prior to entry closing date. Bowlers entering Doubles must also enter Singles and vice versa. The singles event will be conducted first. Doubles pairs will be scheduled with 3 bowlers per lane. **New Event – Virtual Doubles – your original doubles scores will be used. Everyone may enter virtual doubles as many times as desired.**
3. Teams will consist of four members and must be two men and two women on each team. Doubles will consist of one man and one woman. Singles and All Events will consist of two divisions — Men and Women. **Virtual Doubles can be mixed, 2 men or 2 women in 3 divisions based on average. On the day of bowling, additional virtual doubles will be available for anyone bowling regular doubles on the same squad.**
4. Entering average rule: Summer averages will not be accepted, unless the bowler does not have any other average.
 - A. The highest (2015-2016) average of a single USBC league average based on a minimum of 21 games or a composite average of all USBC leagues, including leagues with less than 21 games bowled.
 - B. If no 2015-2016 average, contestant shall use highest 2016-2017 league average of 21 or more games in one league or composite average.
 - C. If ruling A or B does not apply, contestant shall use highest current average of 12 or more games as of date of participation in the tournament. Verification must be submitted to tournament official at time of participation, or composite.
 - D. Entrants not qualifying, under A, B or C shall bowl Scratch (220 avg).

It shall be the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of his or her average whether submitted by the bowler, team captain or others. Failure to use correct average may disqualify score if submitted average is lower than actual average, thereby resulting in a lower classification or more handicap. Prize winnings shall be based on the submitted average, if it is higher than the actual average.

In the case of teams of two or more bowlers, the averages shall be combined to determine whether the correct total is higher or lower than the submitted total.

Corrections in averages can be made up to the completion of the first game of a series or within 48 hours after completion of the series, if the tournament manager, prior to the completion of the first game of the series, has given written consent to the bowler authorizing such extension of time to correct the average. .

USBC Rule 319a (2) is in effect for 15 pins higher. USBC 319e is modified, a bowler must use the previous 24 month tournament average
5. Bowlers, who have qualified for a prize of \$600 or more, in any event in a tournament within the previous 24-month period, even if the prize payment has not been made, must report actual score, position and amount won to the tournament management at the time of participation for possible re-rating. Failure to comply with this provision shall be cause to forfeit tournament entry fee and prize winnings.
6. Multiple participation is allowed in every event. At least two players must be changed in order to place more than once in the prize list in the team event and the same two bowlers may only place once in the virtual doubles event. For the doubles event the same two bowlers may not place more than once. Any bowler entering singles or all events more than once may only place once. A bowler's highest score in each event will count toward the all events score.
7. Substitutes will be allowed and must be reported as early as possible to the tournament office, but not later than thirty minutes prior to the start of the squad. If substitute's average places the team, doubles and/or singles event in a different class than the original entrant, the entry will be reclassified.
8. All prize fees collected in an event or division of an event will be returned 100% to the participants in that event or division of the event. Prize fee will be distributed on the basis of at least one (1) cash prize for each ten (10) entries in team, doubles and singles events, and at least one (1) cash prize for each 20 entries in all events. On line entry form completion and credit card processing is available on our website, texasbowling.com.
9. Averages of bowlers placing in the prize money may be verified with local association manager prior to distribution of prize fund.
10. **Team captains are to have their members present one-half hour before the scheduled time to bowl. Captains must present USBC membership cards for each member of the team or have proof of purchase of current membership cards.**
11. Tournament games cannot be re-bowled, except as authorized by the tournament manager when scores are irretrievably lost in an automatic scoring device.
12. The Tournament Committee of the Texas State USBC Association shall have the power to hear and act on all protests arising from or under conduction of the rules of the Texas State USBC Mixed Tournament. The committee shall also decide any question not covered by the tournament rules.
13. All protests concerning eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the tournament manager before tournament prize payments are made. Errors in scoring must be reported to the tournament manager within 48 hours.

Standings will be posted weekly on the website, www.texasbowling.com

35th ANNUAL TEXAS STATE USBC MIXED TOURNAMENT

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

(Entries close September 8, 2017)

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

Indicate Three Different Weekend Dates & Times Preferred:

Team - Date & Time _____ Doubles & Singles - Date & Time _____
 1. _____ 1. _____
 2. _____ 2. _____
 3. _____ 3. _____

GIVE DATES YOU CANNOT BOWL:

 Name of Team _____
 Local Association _____

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Code No.	Date Rcvd
Amt. Encl.	Team
Amt. Due	D & S

ENTRY FEE - PER PERSON

	Team	Doubles	Singles	Virtual Doubles
Prize Fund	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00
Expense	15.00	15.00	15.00	2.00
TOTAL	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$10.00

Optional All Events \$5.00

Team Event Entry Fee is \$100.00 - Optional All Events is \$5.00

CHECK ONE	BOWLER'S NAME	List Complete Mailing Address STREET, CITY & ZIP CODE	Name of Local ASSOCIATION	Avg	√ If Paid All Events
				Rule	
MALE	1.				
FEMALE	Bowler ID #	-			
MALE	2.				
FEMALE	Bowler ID #	-			
MALE	3.				
FEMALE	Bowler ID #	-			
MALE	4.				
FEMALE	Bowler ID #	-			
LIST IN ORDER OF BOWLING				TEAM TOTAL	

LEAVE BLANK	DOUBLES BOWLER'S NAMES	AVERAGE	SINGLES DIVISION	DOUBLES DIVISION
1.				
2.				
1.				
2.				

REMITTANCE TO COVER

___ **TEAM @ \$100.00** _____
 ___ **DOUBLES @ \$50.00** _____
 ___ **SINGLES @ \$25.00** _____
 ___ **ALL EVENTS @ \$5.00** _____
 ___ **Virtual Doubles @ \$20.00** _____
TOTAL _____

Virtual Doubles							
LEAVE BLANK	DOUBLES BOWLER'S NAMES	AVERAGE	DIVISION	LEAVE BLANK	DOUBLES BOWLER'S NAMES	AVERAGE	DIVISION
1.				1.			
2.				2.			
1.				1.			
2.				2.			

**IMPORTANT: I understand that all averages
 may be verified and that all information
 shown above is accurate.**

**Cashier's Check or Money Order Only
NO Personal Checks
TEXAS STATE USBC**

Captain (Print) _____
 (Signature) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____
 Day Phone (____) _____
 Evening Ph (____) _____
 E-mail address _____

**Mail Completed Entry To:
 George Bishop, Tournament Manager
 PO Box 262567
 Houston, Texas 77207-2567
 (713) 828-3876**