## 55TH ANNUAL HAWAII STATE USBC HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT-OPEN DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

**TEAM CAPTAIN- IMPORTANT-** You must complete the entry from, sign and date before submitting the entry form

Read all rules and regulations of the Hawaii State USBC Bowling Association

- 1. This tournament is open to all members of the
- HSBA with a current USBC Card. Eligible non-members may enter by paying \$25.00 for an associate membership card before they bowl.

  BOWLERS MUST SHOW THEIR CURRENT USBC CARD OR RECEIPT OF PAYMENT AT CHECK-IN.
- 2. The entry fee is \$100.00 for team, doubles and singles events. Participation in the ALL EVENTS is optional with a fee of \$10.00. At least 1 prize for every 7 entries in team, doubles and singles. Cash prizes will be given to scratch and handicap winners. If you place in BOTH scratch and handicap divisions in the same event, you will receive the higher dollar amount of either the scratch or handicap division. BUT NOT BOTH. Full entry fees must accompany the entry form. All prize funds returned 100%.
- NO REFUNDS OF ENTRY FEES WILL BE MADE ONCE THE SCHEDULE IS MADE. USBC rule 314. NO REFUNDS OF \$5.00 or less will be made.
- 4. Entry forms must be filled out in detail. Full name and USBC ID and address of all entrants must appear on the entry form.
  Team and doubles line-up shall appear in the proper order so that the score sheets can be prepared in advance.

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- 5. Team line-ups shall be listed on the entry form in the order participant will bowl. If a substitute is needed, they will bowl in the position of the original entrant. NO SWITCHING OF LINE-UP OR PARTNERS WILL BE ALLOWED, ONCE THE SCHEDULE IS MADE. Doubles/Singles will be scheduled according to date/time the entries are received. At least one bowler must have bowled in the team event for them to bowl in the doubles/singles event. No one is allowed to bowl in only doubles event or singles event with exceptions by the tournament director.
- 6. NO TELEPHONE RESEVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
  All entries will be on a first-come first-serve basis as entry and full fees are received. NO EXCEPTIONS. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ALL ENTRY FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM AND SIGNED BY THE TEAM CAPTAIN.
- The tournament committee reserves the right to assign teams to make an equal and/or balanced shift.
- 8. DRESS REQUIREMENTS: NO sleeveless shirts and headwear of any kind will be allowed in any event. NO short shorts. Walking shorts or longer will be allowed. Headwear will be allowed for medical reasons, with the approval from the tournament director. No e-cigs allowed.
- Entries close on May 14,2022. All entries with a May 14, 2022 with a
  postmark will be accepted if received by May 18 by the
  tournament manager, and provided the schedule is not filled.

- 10. Average requirements for the 2022 HSBA OPEN Tournament (All averages will be verified on BOWL.COM)
- A. The average to be used for participation will be the highest of the following:
- Highest USBC certified league average based on 21 games or more from:
- a.) 2021/2022 season or
- a.) 2020/2021 season or
- b.) 2019/2020 season

All averages established on a SPORT, CHALLENGE, or STANDARD condition will be adjusted utilizing the USBC Sport Average Adjustment Scale found on BOWL.com. The adjusted average will be used if it is the highest average.

Note: The adjustment scale is not considered a "re-rate". Its purpose is to allow for a fair adjustment to what would be expected of the bowler on on a standard lane condition. The adjustment scale does not supersede the tournament manager's ability to further adjust upward any bowler's tournament entering average per Rule 319c.

- B. Bowlers who do not meet the average requirements stated in item A will enter with the highest of the following:
- Current USBC certified league average of bowling 21 or more games. League standing sheet (dated prior to the week of May 23, 2022 is required with entry.
- Current composite average from all certified leagues. League standing sheet (dated prior to the week of May 23,2022) is required with entry.
- Bowlers who do not meet requirements above, 200 scratch average will be assigned.
- 11. The tournament handicap shall be 100% of 200.
- 12. PRIZE REPORTING: Any bowler who has qualified for cash and/or merchandise prize money won in excess of \$300 in a single event, the combined prize money won in excess of \$500 in a tournament, and/or \$1000 in tournaments completed within 12 months must report their actual score, position and amount won to the tournament director prior to bowling for possible rerating. Such re-rating must be accomplished before the entrant bowls, and if not accepted the entry fee shall be refunded.

Failure to comply with these provisions shall be cause for forfeit of entry fee and prize winning. USBC Rule 319d

13. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average whether originally submitted by the bowler or their team captains or others. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction, up to the start of the first game of a series, shall disqualify scores if the submitted average is lower than actual average or base prize winnings on the submitted average if it is higher. The averages and eligibility of all individuals winning money will be checked and verified.

- 14. Tournament check-in is 1 hour prior to squad time. Tardy bowlers will begin play with the score to count from the frame being bowled and will not be credited with the pins for the missed frames. USBC Rule 322a.
- 15. The tournament committee reserves the right to assign teams to shifts to make an equal or balanced shift. Team captains will be notified.
- 16. Scoring. Tournament officials will decide if a game or frame(s) within a game will be rebowled in the event of an irretrievably lost score.
  Each bowler is responsible to check, verify and sign the score
- 17. Any protest affecting the general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the tournament director or to the United States Bowling Congress before the tournament prize payments are made.

sheets before being turned in.

- 18. In case of a tie for the Team, Doubles, Singles or All-Events championship, co-championships shall be declared. The cash prizes for the positions affected will be combined and equally divided.
- 19. At the discretion of the tournament committee, any bowler appearing at his/her scheduled time of bowling who appears to be "under the influence" or delays the normal process of the game or who's conduct, objectionable gestures on the lanes, shall be immediately removed from the tournament regardless if a substitute is available or not.
- 20. Any check returned from the bank, for whatever reason will be assessed a \$30.00 fee and HSBA will not accept any check rom these individuals hereafter. Subject to change with the approval of the tournament committee. Must be paid in full PRIOR to the start of bowling.
- 21. All prize fund checks will be mailed out as soon as possible, pending a thorough check of all scores, averages and the outcome of any protest or appeals. Checks will be mailed to team captains.

PRIZE FUND CHECKS MUST BE CASHED WITHIN 90 DAYS. NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED OR REISSUED AFTER THE 90 DAY TIME LIMIT.

and verified. 3/29/2022