

## RULES & REGULATIONS OF 2023 WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

1. This tournament shall consist of an **adult 4-woman Team Event**, Doubles, and Singles. **The local association will pay the \$10.00 All Events (handicap) fees if entered in Team, Doubles & Singles events.** Doubles and Singles events may be split and bowled on a separate date and time as noted on front of form. Adult women members who are currently USBC-certified members in the Gr Aurora USBC Association are eligible to bowl in this tournament. If local certification cannot be verified, a local membership may be purchased at a cost of \$12.00 or pay the full membership fee of \$25.00 if not certified at all.
2. Multiple participation in the Team Event is allowed. Only (2) members of a four-person team that have already participated in the tournament Team Event may bowl together on another four-person team. The first Team Event bowled shall be used for the All Events score.
3. All prize money will be returned 100% in each of the events. **Prize ratio will be at least 1:3 entries. Association will add \$80 to Team event prize fund, \$80 to doubles event prize fund and \$80 to singles event prize funds**
4. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference from the eligible average and 225.
5. **WALK-INS ACCEPTED.**
6. Entrants will use their highest USBC-certified league average in the following order:
  - a) Highest USBC-certified league average for end of the 2021-22 season in this association, based on 21 games or more. USBC Rule #319-A2 will apply: If January 1, 2023 average is 10 pins higher than previous winter season's average in this association, that average will be used.
  - b) If no average in this association, the highest average as shown on www.bowl.com will be used of 21 games or more up to the past 3 seasons.
  - c) If no average is available on bowl.com, the February 1, 2023 average of 12 games or more may be used.
  - d) If none of the above apply, entrant must bowl scratch using 225 average

If a wrong average is reported, the correct one will be used and the bowler could be disqualified as per Rule #319A. All averages will be verified prior to the start of the tournament.

7. The lineup on the tournament score sheets will coincide with the lineup as submitted on the tournament entry form and will not be changed. Teams wishing to bowl together on the same pair of lanes should send their entries together in the same envelope with a note stating they want to bowl together. Substitutes will be allowed for those entrants who cannot bowl after an entry has been submitted.
8. **Squads will start on time!! Anyone arriving late will bowl beginning with the frame currently being bowled. Zeroes will be given for the frames they have missed.**
9. In case of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> Place, co-champions will be declared with trophies awarded to all involved and money split between the co-champions that are tied. In the event of all other ties, the prize money will be equally divided between the places involved in the ties.
10. Rules 319-C, 319-D and 319-E will not apply to this tournament. Rule 202-D will apply regarding Sport average adjustments.
11. All decisions of the tournament manager are final unless an appeal or protest is made in accordance with USBC Rule #329.
12. The tournament manager reserves the right to reassign squads if entries received are less than 4 teams or 4 doubles/singles.
13. Violation of any of the above-mentioned rules shall be subject to disciplinary action as well as disqualification. Any rule not listed will be adhered to as outlined in the USBC Playing Rules Book, Chapter 6, Tournament Rules.

### SQUAD DATES AND TIME

#### Hometown Lanes (Team, Doubles/Singles Events)

Saturday – February 25, 2023

Sunday- February 19 & 26, 2023

**Squad Time: 2:30 PM on each day**

**SQUADS WILL START ON TIME!!! LATE BOWLERS WILL BEGIN BOWLING THE CURRENT FRAME AND WILL RECEIVE ZERO'S FOR MISSEC FRAMES!!**

*Entries are on a first come – first served basis!!!*

*Mail your completed entry form with payment as early as possible for the best chance to reserve the squad(s) of your choice!!!*

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**The \$10.00 All Events (handicap) fees are waived if bowling in Team, Doubles & Singles events.**