

2024-2025 NCS USBCA Women Championship Tournament Entry Rules/General Information

Rules that have been added, changed, or modified are in **BOLD** print.

1. This tournament is certified through the United States Bowling Congress (USBC). Rules not covered on this form are governed by the USBC rules and regulations.
2. **Eligibility: Participant must hold a current USBC membership card and be a member of the North Carolina State USBCA (NCS USBCA) at time of participation. Eligible members from another state association can enter if they have 21 games minimum in a 2023-24 NC USBC certified league. No more than two bowlers from another state can bowl together.**
 - a. NCS USBCA limits the number of professional bowlers on any team in two (2) and (1) on any doubles. "Professional is defined as that person holding a current card, touring or regional, that lists them as professional."
3. Average: Highest average in any certified NC USBC league. **If your average is not listed on bowl.com, you must provide written verification of your average or bowl with a scratch average of 230 - no exceptions.**
 - a. Highest USBC league average 2023-24 with 21 games or more (winter or summer) **in NC.**
 - b. If no prior average, bowler may use a current average of at least 21 games by September 2, 2024, and provide it to the tournament manager in the form of a current standing sheet.
 - c. USBC Rules 319 a-e will apply. Refer to USBC Playing Rule Book to understand this rule in its entirety. **Bowlers must report if their average is affected by this rule prior to competing. Failure to do so WILL result in disqualification.**
4. The tournament has two handicap (2) divisions. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference in the bowler's average and 230 based on a 3-game series by computer.
5. All fees must be submitted at time of entry. Mail in entry deadline is September 2, 2024. On-line entry deadline is **September 11, 2024.** If a new bowler waiting on average verification, send to tournament manager separately.
6. Entrants may bowl twice in team event with the second entry changing a minimum of two (2) bowlers. Doubles & Singles CAN ONLY BE BOWLED ONCE. Entrants must enter both doubles and singles if entered in either. The bowler's first appearance in team event counts toward their all-events total.
7. Entry Fees Based on Per Person, Per Event (Handicap): Lineage/Expense (3-game series) = **\$14.25**, Prize Fund = **\$15.75**; total per event = **\$30.00**. Optional Fees: \$6.00 All Events Scratch; \$6.00 All Events Handicap; **(\$102 pp to enter everything).**
8. Prize Funds will be returned 100% based on a ratio of 1:6 for Team HDCP, Doubles HDCP, Singles HDCP per division; 1:10- for All Events HDCP & All Events Scratch.
9. Line-Up: There shall be no changes in the line-up once the entry has been submitted. Substitutes will take the position of the absent bowler.
10. Entrants are expected to participate in acceptable bowling attire. NO TANK TOPS, NO SHIRTS WITH INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE OR GRAPHICS ARE ALLOWED. **All shirts must have sleeves.** Length of shorts, skirts & skorts must be business-wear length. NO EXCEPTIONS - team captains **MUST** share this information **with all** team members.
11. In case of a tie for the championship in any event, all teams tied will be declared co-champions.
12. **All tournament money won over \$300 – social security number will be required to disburse funds.**
13. **Bowlers must be checked in at least 30 minutes before squad time.**

HANDICAP DIVISIONS

| | 1 | 2 |
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| TEAM | 661 & UP | 660 & UNDER |
| DOUBLES | 331 & UP | 330 & UNDER |
| SINGLES | 166 & UP | 165 & UNDER |

Brackets will be offered – lanes will be redressed prior to each squad.

Entry rules and participation rules can be reviewed or can be downloaded on www.ncbowls.com. All backup documents will be on our website.

Average verifications should be sent to:

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1108 Anthony Ave NE
Valdese, NC 28690
828-448-1815 (no calls or texts after 9:00pm, please)