

## 2022-2023 NCS USBCA Men's (Pop MeNeeley) Handicap Championship Tournament Entry Rules

1. This tournament is certified through the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) and rules not covered on this form are governed by the USBC rules and regulations.
2. Eligibility: Participants must hold a current USBC membership card and be a member of the North Carolina State USBC Association (NCS USBC) at time of participation.
  - a. NCS USBC limits the number of professional bowlers and non-NC bowlers on any team to two (2) and one (1) on any doubles. Participants must enter their PBA member number on the entry form.
3. Average: League averages are from those bowled in any certified league through USBC.
  - a. Highest USBC league average in 2021-2022 with 21 games or more in either winter or summer. If your average is not posted on bowl.com before bowling your first event, you must provide written verification of your average or bowl with a scratch average of 230; no exceptions. You are allowed to enter if you have bowled 21 games or more for 2022-2023 season. You must have a current average with 21 games effective October 24, 2022 and provide your written average verification. All others bowl scratch; no exceptions. **If an average is not posted on bowl.com it's the bowler's responsibility to get avg. verified & sent to the TM before the deadline date. Please have person signing average to give full name & phone # please.**
4. USBC Rules 319 a-e will apply. Refer to USBC Playing Rule Book to understand this rule in its entirety. Entrants must report \$300 or more in any event; total combined prize winnings of \$500 or more in one tournament; total combined prize winnings of \$1,000 or more in all tournaments within the past 12-months. Refer to bowl.com for full understanding of this rule.
5. This is a handicap tournament. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference in the bowler's average and 230 based on a 3-game series. There will be a cap on handicap of 300 game/900 series.
6. Completed entry form and all fees must be submitted at time of entry. Entry deadline is **October 22, 2022** and envelopes must be postmarked no later than **October 22, 2022** ( or following postal date).
7. Entrants may bowl team, doubles, and singles. **Entrants may bowl twice in team event with the second entry changing a minimum of two (2) bowlers and both entries and fees must be submitted at time of entry. Entrants must enter both doubles and singles if entered in either and are only allowed to bowl once.** All Events will be based on **first scores bowled only.**
8. Entry Fees Based on Per Person, Per Event: Handicap = \$17.00 lineage & expense, \$17.00 prize (Total = \$34.00). Optional Fees, Per Person, Per Event: \$7.00 All Events Scratch, \$7.00 All Events Handicap, \$16.00 scratch team, \$16.00 scratch doubles & \$16.00 scratch singles. All optional fees go directly to appropriate prize fund. **Just handicap total fees per bowler = \$109.00. Everything handicap & scratch total fees per bowler = \$164.00**
9. Prize Fund: Prize funds for the various events will be returned 100% based on a ratio of 1:6 for Team, 1:6 for Doubles/Singles, 1:10 for All Events (handicap and scratch).
10. Line Up: There shall be no changes in the line-up once the entry form has been submitted. Substitutes will take the position of the absent bowlers. If multiple entries are sent in double partners must bowl on the same team. **No Exceptions!**
11. Please submit multiple team entries together as well as crossovers (refers to those wishing to bowl on same pair of lanes). **This must be identified on both entry forms & will bowl on assigned lanes. No lane assignment changes are allowed day of bowling.**
12. Lanes will be re-dressed after each squad. **Pattern graph will be posted in the tournament office and on the brackets table.**
13. Entrants are expected to participate in acceptable bowling attire. No tank tops or shirts with inappropriate language or graphics are allowed. All shirts must have sleeves and no gym shorts. NO EXCEPTIONS. Team captains must share this information with all team members in advance of bowling dates to avoid delay of the game and disqualification to participate in this tournament. Please be respectful of these rules and **share with all teammates in advance of bowling date.**
14. In case of a tie for the championship in any event, all teams tied will be declared co-champions.
15. **All money won over \$300.00** – social security number must be given to TM before bowling any squad. If not reported before bowling this will automatically disqualify the bowler and no funds will be refunded once the squad has started.
16. Entries will be scheduled on a first-come basis. The Tournament Manager has the right to make changes to the bowling schedules to ensure all squads are properly filled. Please indicate your two choices of dates and times to bowl. If two choices are not given; the tournament manager will schedule a date. **If a specific date is needed; send your entry form and fees in immediately.** Entries will be scheduled on a first-come basis. The tournament manager has the right to make changes to the bowling schedules to ensure all squads are properly filled. **Please indicate your two choices of dates and times to bowl. If two choices are not given; the tournament manager will schedule a date. If a specific date is needed send your entry form and fees in immediately.** Method of payment: Make checks payable to: NCS USBCA Men's Championship Tournament; only one check per entry. If a check is returned, the amount of the check plus an additional return check fee of \$30.00 will be charged. **This amount must be paid by Nov. 2, 2022, via cashier's check or money order prior to bowling squad or entrants will not be allowed to bowl. This will be online access via [www.ncbowls.com](http://www.ncbowls.com), if you are having issues & need the assistance of the TM, please contact her immediately. If you decide to mail an entry to the TM, state your preference on the entry form and a confirmation will be emailed to you. Please no calls before 10 am or after 5 pm on the days indicated on the website.**