

2012 COLORADO STATE USBC WOMEN'S CLASSIFIED HANDICAP TOURNAMENT RULES AND INFORMATION

DRESS CODE – Bowler must wear suitable attire when participating in the tournament. Slacks, jeans (no holes and clean), Capri pants, skirts, or shorts (must reach the knees) are preferred. Short shorts, halter tops or bare midriffs are unacceptable attire. No hats or electronic devices can be worn during competition. Final decisions as to attire will be left up to tournament management.

ELIGIBILITY- To be eligible to bowl in the Colorado State USBC 2012 Tournament, a woman bowler must be a current member of USBC, Colorado State USBC, and a Local Association. Youth Bowlers see USBC Rule #13 of the USBC Rule book.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS – Multiple participation is allowed in the team event, however no more than 2 members from one team may participate together on another team. Entrants may bowl only once in the Doubles and Singles event (must enter both doubles & singles. No rearranging of Doubles partners. Singles event will follow immediately after the Doubles event. The first scores bowled in the team event will be used for all events totals. **SCRATCH TEAM ENTRIES WILL BE GROUPED INTO ONE CLASS. \$40.00 PER TEAM.**

AVERAGES - USE HIGHEST 2010-2011 COLORADO book average of 21 games or more. Bowler without a 21 game average for last season shall use their highest Colorado USBC LEAGUE AVERAGE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2012, provided they have bowled 21 GAMES or MORE. Members who wish to bowl in the tournament and are unable to meet any of the above requirements shall use their highest current Colorado USBC verified average of at least 12 games or more as of the date of participation. If the bowler does not have a 12 game current USBC average, she may enter and will use an assigned 175 average. Entrants whose names are not in the local association average book will need to furnish a signed verification of the average that they submit on the entry form. Rules 319a (Item 2), 319d and 319e are waived. Rule 319a-3 will apply if an incorrect average is reported.

HANDICAP – WILL BE 90% OF 230.

SUBSTITUTES - If in any event a duly scheduled entrant is unable to bowl, the Captain shall have the right to substitute a bowler, provided the substitute meets all entry qualifications. All substitutions must be made at least 1 hour before the scheduled time of bowling, accompanied by properly signed average verification, unless a substitution has to be made because of an emergency. In case of disability after a game has started, a substitute will be allowed, if one is available, and the combined scores will be used. This applies to Team/Doubles events. Any score bowled by more than one individual will not be counted toward the All Event total. Paid All Events are not transferable unless the substitute replaces the original entrant in all three events. **NO REARRANGING OF TEAM LINE-UP OR DOUBLES PARTNERS DUE TO SUBSTITUTES.**

LATE BOWLERS - A bowler arriving late for any event will be allowed to bowl, with her scores to start with the frame in which she is ready to bowl. If one bowler is late for the Doubles event, the bowler present will bowl her Singles event first. If her partner has not arrived by the time the Singles event is finished and a substitute cannot be found, she will be permitted to bowl her games in the Doubles event to qualify for All Events. In the Team event, when an emergency substitute has been entered in the line-up with the consent of the team captain, and has officially begun the game, she cannot be replaced, except by illness, injury or other necessity. USBC rule #11 DELAY OF GAME will be enforced.

ERRORS IN SCORING - All scoring errors must be reported within 48 hours after bowling.

PRIZE RATIO – For Team, Doubles, Singles and All-Events will be 1 in 7.

AWARDS – Jackets will be awarded to the champions in each Class for each event.

PRIZE FEES – 100% of all prize fees collected will be returned to the participants in each event or division. (Rule 308)
Prize fund enhancement will be \$12,000.00.

ALL EVENTS - To qualify for the OPTIONAL ALL EVENTS an entrant must pay fees and be entered in all 3 events: TEAM, DOUBLES AND SINGLES. Total pinfall for the nine games shall constitute the All Events total. If bowling more than one team, your first team event will count for your all-events.

TIES - Should a tie occur for 1st Place in any event of the tournament, "Co-Champions" shall be declared, with appropriate award to each, and prize money involved for the 1st Place & 2nd Place shall be combined and divided equally between the participants in the tie.

TIME & DATE - Time & date preference will be given in the order in which entries are received. **GET YOUR ENTRIES IN EARLY.**

REFUNDS - USBC Rule 314. After an entry has been received, and the dates assigned by tournament management are not refused before preparation of the schedule, the entry fee cannot be refunded after March 30, 2012.

CHECK-IN REQUIREMENTS – One hour before scheduled team time for the event / 45 minutes before scheduled doubles/singles time for the event. Do not leave the center after you have checked in, because the squad may start early once all participants have checked in.

ENTRANTS WILL BE ASKED TO SHOW THEIR CURRENT 2011-2012 USBC MEMBERSHIP CARDS WHEN CHECKING IN. (no stub receipts) **YOU MUST BUY AN ASSOCIATE CARD FOR \$21.00 (USBC - \$10.00 – CO STATE USBC \$1.00 – LOCAL ASSOCIATION \$10.00) IF YOU CAN'T PROVE MEMBERSHIP AT CHECK IN. (NO EXCEPTIONS)!**

USBC RULES WILL APPLY IN ALL INSTANCES NOT SPECIFICALLY COVERED BY THE ABOVE RULES.

(A FEE WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ANY CHECK RETURNED FOR ANY REASON.)