



13th Annual SENIOR Mail-in Singles Tournament **(USBC Certified)**

TOURNAMENT RULES

This tournament will be conducted by the Ames Area USBC (AAUSBC). An AAUSBC board member (or an appointee at the discretion of the Board) will be the Tournament Director. This tournament will carry its own certification.

QUALIFICATIONS TO BOWL

1. Entrant must be a current member of USBC, the Ames Area USBC and be actively participating in an USBC certified league.
2. USBC rules 319a-e will be waived, except for 319a-3.
3. Entrant must be at least **50** years of age as of the start of the tournament.

PARTICIPATION

4. Entrants may submit one entry for each USBC certified league in which they participate.
5. ***There will be two (2) divisions,***
(a) Division 1: 160 and below
(b) Division 2: 161 and above

AVERAGES AND HANDICAP

6. Entrant must use their highest certified league average, in the following order:
 - (a) Previous season, minimum of 21 games (including summer averages).
 - (b) Date of participation (DOP) (the night they bowl, prior to session starting), minimum of 12 games.
 - (c) All others bowl scratch.
7. Reporting of averages is the sole responsibility of the bowler. Rule 319a, item 3, will be enforced.
8. The tournament director DOES retain the right to verify and correct averages.
9. The tournament will be handicapped at 100% of 240.

DATES, DEADLINES AND CONDITIONS

10. Entry deadline shall be January 16, 2026
11. Entrant shall use CERTIFIED league or tournament scores bowled the week of February 1 thru February 14, 2026. If entrant is unable to bowl the week of February 1-7 due to illness, weather, postponements, etc., scores from the week of February 8 thru February 14 will be used.
12. Recap sheets (photocopies are acceptable) of scores bowled must accompany the score verification form. Any score verification form returned without a copy of the recap sheet will be declared ineligible.
13. Scores bowled in non-certified leagues will not be permitted.
14. Score verification deadline will be February 28, 2026.

FEES

15. Entry fee will be \$5.00 (\$4.50 prize fund, 35¢ to the Ames Area USBC, and 15¢ for director's fee).
16. Entry fees are not transferable or refundable.

PRIZES

17. Prize money paid for each division will be returned 100% to winners in that division only and will be distributed within thirty (30) days from the deadline for the return of score verification.
18. Prizes will be based on a ratio of 1 for each 5 entries or major fraction.

DISCLAIMER/PROTEST

19. All other USBC rules and regulations shall apply. USBC language/rules will apply in all areas affected.
20. The AAUSBC Board of Directors shall decide any questions not covered by these rules and shall have the power to hear and act on all protests concerning the tournament and its rules.

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