

## **TOURNAMENT RULES**

1. \*Knock down 8, 9, or 10 pins with your first ball during the **first** game only and it is scored a strike; all other scoring is the same as regulation play. Knock down 9 or 10 pins with your first ball during the **second** game only and it is scored a strike; all other scoring is the same as regulation play. During the last game, it is regulation tenpin bowling (you need to knock down 10 pins with your first ball to get a strike).\*
2. After completing the first round, teams will be cut in half with top half bowling another 3 games.
3. Total team score to get top half will be based on the first 3 team games (with handicap). After cut is made, first 3 scores will be dropped and the total team score for the final round will be based on the second 3 team games (with handicap).
4. All USBC rules apply.
5. Entry blank must be filled in completely.
6. **Average:**
  - (a) Use highest 2023-24 USBC certified league average, 21 games or more.
  - (b) If no 2023-24 USBC certified league average, 21 games or more, use highest current sanctioned league average, 21 games or more – effective date for using current average is April 1, 2025.
  - (c) Use highest 2023-24 USBC Youth certified league average, 21 games or more, if no current USBC average of 21 games or more. Individuals must no longer be a USBC Youth bowler.
  - (d) Those with no USBC certified average must bowl scratch, 210 average.
  - (e) Summer league and short season averages are accepted if (a) and (b) are not available (minimum 21 games).
  - (f) Please note, the 10 pin or more increase in average rule (see rule 319a) DOES apply.
7. All averages will be verified. Failure to use highest average will result in disqualification and forfeit of Entry Fee and Prize Money. Prize winnings will be based on submitted average if higher than actual average. Corrections on average may be made within 48 hours after contestant bowls if contestant brings possible discrepancy in average to tournament manager's attention at time of bowling.
8. **Handicap:** Will be calculated based on a team average of 420 per game, 80% for men and women. The total average of any team cannot surpass 420.
9. Tournament committee reserves all rights.
10. All prize money returned 100%. Prize ratio – 1 in 4 of final cut will cash. Guaranteed prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$150; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$100; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$50 (sponsor fees paid by Chacko's Family Bowling Center).
11. Requests for pairings will be honored if they are made at least 48 hours before the start of the tournament.
12. Whenever possible, all lane assignments will begin on an end lane, 1 or 40, and will be randomly assigned.
13. Please check in 30 minutes prior to squad time.
14. All entrants must hold a valid USBC membership card. Non-USBC members can qualify for entry in the tournament by virtue of purchasing an associate membership card and paying National dues, plus the local and state dues.  
Remember to bring your USBC membership card to check-in at the tournament.
15. **OPTIONAL JACKPOT:** (during first three games of bowling only)  
180 average and over: Bowl a "300" game and receive a share of the 180 and Over Optional Jackpot  
179 average and under: Bowl a "270 game or better and receive a share of the 179 and Under Optional Jackpot  
Entry fee: \$5.00 per bowler

### **ENTRY FORM**

1 <sup>st</sup> Bowler's Name: _____	Gender: _____
Address: _____	
City: _____	Zip Code: _____
Phone #: _____	Email: _____
League: _____	Center: _____
Highest Average: _____	USBC Membership #: _____
Optional Jackpot? Yes No	TOTAL Amount Paid: _____
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowler's Name: _____	Gender: _____
Address: _____	
City: _____	Zip Code: _____
Phone #: _____	Email: _____
League: _____	Center: _____
Highest Average: _____	USBC Membership #: _____
Optional Jackpot? Yes No	TOTAL Amount Paid: _____

**Deadline for entries is Sunday March 30.** Entries are limited to 80 teams so reserve your spot early!

Please mail completed entry forms & payment to: Chacko's Family Bowling Center,  
Attn: 8-9-10 Tournament  
195 N. Wilkes-Barre Blvd.,  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702