OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

NATION'S CAPITAL AREA USBC ASSOCIATION

78th ANNUAL OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT

Certified by the United States Bowling Congress

TEAM EVENT

THE LANES FORT MEADE

2788 MacArthur Road
Fort Meade MD 20755
301/677-5541

SINGLES & DOUBLES EVENTS

CROFTON BOWLING CENTRE

2115 Priest Bridge Drive
Crofton MD 21114
301/261-6670

JUNE 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, 2024

ENTRY DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2024

OPTIONAL PRIZE CATEGORIES:
50+ SINGLES • 50+ ALL EVENTS
SCRATCH EVENTS • CROSSOVER DOUBLES

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QUALIFY FOR "OFFICIAL AVERAGE LEADERS"
BOWLING AT LEAST THREE GAMES IN THIS EVENT WILL SATISFY THE REQUIRED TOURNAMENT GAMES NECESSARY FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE MEN'S NCAUSBCA 2023-2024 OFFICIAL AVERAGE LEADERS LISTINGS.

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TEAM NAME:	CAPTAIN'S NAME:	
ADDRESS:	CITY:	CHECK BOX TO RECEIVE CONFIRMATION BY eMAIL: ☐

STATE:	ZIP:	PHONE:	eMAIL:

POS	PRINT NAME AS APPEARS IN YEARBOOK LAST — FIRST — INIT	BOWLER ID NUMBER	AVERAGE 2022-2023
1			
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5			

CHECK THE BOX AT RIGHT TO ENTER THE SCRATCH TEAM EVENT: ☐
** MUST BOWL IN REGULAR TEAM EVENT TO ENTER **

FEES:		TEAM	PER BOWLER	SELECT TEAM DATES
	Prizes	$86.25	$17.25	**DATES:** June 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, 2024
	Bowling	$48.75	$ 9.75	
	Expenses	$15.00	$ 3.00	**TIME:** 9:00 AM
	TOTAL	**$150.00**	**$30.00**	
	(Optional Scratch Event)	($50.00)	($10.00)	
	TOTAL WITH SCRATCH EVENT	**$200.00**	**$40.00**	

	SELECT TEAM DATES	
1st Choice DATE	2nd Choice DATE	3rd Choice DATE

ENTRY#	DATE:	SQUAD # T-	$

SINGLES & DOUBLES

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POS	PRINT NAME AS APPEARS IN YEARBOOK LAST — FIRST — INIT	BOWLER ID NUMBER	AVG 2022-23	SCRATCH EVENT		ALL-EVENTS			** SENIORS ONLY **	
				SGLS	DBLS	REG	SCR		50+ SGLS	50+ ALL-EVENTS
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"HOME" BOWLING CENTER OF ENTRY:

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SELECT SINGLES & DOUBLES DATES

DATES: June 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, 2024

TIME: 9:00 AM

1st Choice DATE	2nd Choice DATE	3rd Choice DATE

FEES:		DOUBLES	PER BOWLER	SINGLES	Cost Each (Worksheet Only)	Number	Amt. Enclosed
	Prizes	$30.00	$15.00	$15.00	$150 – Team Event	___	___
	Bowling	$24.00	$12.00	$12.00	$ 50 – Scratch Team Event	___	___
	Expenses	$6.00	$ 3.00	$3.00	$ 60 – Doubles Team	___	___
	TOTAL	**$60.00**	**$30.00**	**$30.00**	$ 20 – Scratch Doubles	___	___
	(Opt Scratch Event)	($20.00)	($10.00)	($10.00)	$ 30 – Singles	___	___
	TOTAL WITH SCRATCH EVENT	**$80.00**	**$40.00**	**$40.00**	$ 10 – Scratch Singles	___	___
					$ 10 – Regular All-Events	___	___
					$ 10 – Scratch All-Events	___	___
					$ 10 – 50+ Singles	___	___
					$ 10 – 50+ All-Events	___	___

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
NCAUSBCA OPEN TOURNAMENT

Total Enclosed _____

ENTRY#	DATE:	SQUAD #M-	$	Date Rcvd:

Send entry to: Open Tournament Manager, NCAUSBCA, 9315 Largo Drive West, Suite 110, Largo MD 20774-4762
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TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Only members of the Nation's Capital Area USBC Association (NCAUSBCA) are eligible to bowl in the tournament.** Walk-in entries are not allowed. **Entries close May 31, 2024.**

2. **Bowlers entered in the Singles event must also enter the Doubles event and vice versa.**

3. Bowlers must have a USBC 2023-2024 membership and confirm lineup *as shown on entry form* at the lanes at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled time. Team or bowlers failing to appear on the lanes prepared to bowl at the scheduled time shall forfeit their entry unless a request is made to reschedule the event(s) to another squad with available lanes and tournament management authorizes the change. A tardy bowler may enter the game at any point, but he/she will receive a zero (0) score for each frame missed **(USBC Rule 322a)**.

4. The Team Captain or his/her representative has the privilege of substituting other bowlers in the same position for those originally entered. Once a substitute has started competition, the original entrant may not replace the substitute.

5. In the Doubles event, the names of both entrants must be given. Entries with the word "PARTNER" will not be accepted.

6. **The Doubles event will be bowled immediately following the Singles event.** In both events, bowlers ages 50 and older (born on or before June 15, 1974) may enter the optional 50+ Singles and/or 50+ All-Events.

7. The schedule will show the lane number on which teams will start. Each Singles & Doubles entrant will bowl all 6 games on one pair of lanes, unless mechanical failures dictate otherwise.

8. The entry fee is $30.00 per bowler per event. All optional events include a $1 expense fee. No entry money will be refunded if it is discovered that a team or individual has failed to comply with all rules of the United States Bowling Congress and all rules and requirements of this tournament.

9. **AVERAGES:** Entrants will use their highest USBC-certified adult league average based on a minimum of 21 games or more for the 2022-2023 season, whether winter or summer. If no average last season, bowler may use a current certified league average of 21 games or more as of June 15, 2024. THE 10-PIN RULE IS IN EFFECT. IF YOUR AVERAGE IS 10 OR MORE PINS HIGHER ON JUNE 15, 2024 THAN LAST YEAR, YOU MUST USE THE JUNE 15, 2024 AVERAGE. IT IS THE BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REPORT HIS/HER HIGHER AVERAGE. **If only average is Sport or Challenge, it will be converted per USBC Rule 201**. If using a current average, the appropriate league standings sheet must be presented to Tournament Officials at check-in. If none of the above applies, the bowler must enter with highest USBC average of 21 games or more as published on bowl.com. If bowler does not meet any of the above criteria, he/she must bowl with a scratch average of 230.

10. **Handicap will be 100% of the difference between the bowler's entering average and 230. All handicaps will be calculated on a 3-game basis. It shall be the responsibility of each bowler to verify his/her average. Failure to use proper average shall disqualify scores bowled if submitted average is lower than actual average. Prize winnings will be based on submitted average if it is higher than the actual average. Average corrections must be made prior to the completion of the *first* game. *USBC RULE 319a (2) — THE "10-PIN" RULE: IF YOUR AVERAGE IS 10 OR MORE PINS HIGHER ON JUNE 15, 2024 THAN LAST YEAR, YOU MUST USE THE HIGHER AVERAGE. It is the bowler's responsibility to report the higher average.***

11. The prize ratio for each event will be at least one (1) prize for each six (6) entries. ***PRIZE MONEY WILL BE RETURNED 100%.***

12. In the event of ties for first place in any event, prize money will be equally divided.

13. **Entrants must report any previous tournament prize winnings in the last year of $300.00 or more (USBC Rule 319d). If entrant has a tournament average within the previous 12 months of 15 pins or higher than their entering average, the bowler is required to use the tournament average (USBC Rule 319e).**

14. **PARTICIPATION RULE**
    Bowlers may enter Singles and Doubles as many times as they wish, as long as Doubles partners change. Bowlers may only cash once in Singles. Bowlers may enter the Team event as many times as they may wish, as long as two (2) members of the team change. Highest Team and Singles & Doubles scores bowled will be applied toward an individual's All-Events (and Scratch All-Events) totals.

15. All-Events is not transferable unless substitute is replacing a bowler in all three events and it is so stated in writing before bowling any event as a substitute.

16. Scores lost due to malfunction of automatic scorers shall be re-bowled.

17. USBC Rule 328 will apply. (A bowler must use the same hand to deliver the bowling ball throughout the tournament).

18. USBC Rule 329, a protest or appeal involving eligibility or playing rules must be filed with the Tournament Committee, NCAUSBCA, or USBC no later than 72 hours after the completion of the tournament. The protest or appeal must be in writing, and the grounds for the protest or appeal briefly stated.

19. The Tournament Director reserves the right to refuse any entrant into the brackets competition and may request his/her Social Security Number when an IRS Form 1099 may be issued for winnings.

20. **Checks returned for "insufficient funds" will incur a $35.00 administrative fee, plus the amount of the submitted check, all of which must be paid before the team will be permitted to compete in the tournament.** The Tournament Director reserves the right to refuse a check if the person submitting the check has previously had a check returned for "insufficient funds."

21. Prize checks will be distributed to team captains within thirty (30) days of the tournament's last scheduled squad unless an extension has been granted. Team captains must distribute tournament checks to team members within thirty (30) days from receipt. All tournament checks become VOID ninety (90) days after issuance.

SCRATCH EVENTS
Bowlers must compete in regular tournament to enter scratch events. Scores from handicap event will be used to determine winners of the scratch events.

SEND ALL ENTRIES AND INQUIRIES TO:

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SQUAD SPONSORS PRIZE LIST

➢ Enter eight (8) or more teams and be automatically entered into a separate "Squad Sponsors Prize List" that will offer $200.00, $100.00, and $50.00, respectively, to the top three finishers, based on sponsor's first handicap total in the Team event.

➢ Squad teams do *not* have to bowl on the same shift.