

# RULES AND REGULATIONS

## **TOURNAMENT START DATE: FEB 15, 2019 ~ END DATE: MAY 5, 2019**

1. United States Bowling Congress Rules and Regulations will govern this tournament. Bowlers must be prepared to present their cards at the time of the tournament or they will be required to obtain Associate membership cards at a cost of \$20.00.
2. Averages: Entrants will use their highest final USBC ~ BA ~ WBA sanctioned league average for 2017-2018 season with a minimum of 21 games unless a bowler's average as of December 1<sup>st</sup> is 10 or more pins higher than last season's (minimum 21 games) final average. Then the bowler must use his/her highest average as of December 1, 2018. If no acceptable 2017-2018 average, use highest current sanctioned league average with a minimum of 21 games effective December 1<sup>st</sup> or upon reaching 21 games is after December 1<sup>st</sup>. Sport league averages must be adjusted per rule 203/205. All others bowl scratch based on 230 for all bowlers. Summer league averages are not acceptable. **Must use average verification form to insure correct average before bowling any events.**
3. Handicap based on 230 scratch, 90% allowed with 76 pin maximum per game for MBA entrants and 103 pin maximum per game for WBA entrants, computed on an individual basis.
4. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of his/her highest average, whether originally submitted by the bowler, his team captain or others. Any bowlers participating with an average lower than what is officially correct automatically forfeits prize money and entry fees, and disqualifies any and all scores he/she has helped to establish and all team members forfeit any claims to prize awards. No entry refund will be allowed for such violation. If the average is higher than officially correct, USBC Rule 319A-3 will apply.
5. Substitutions or line up changes must be reported at least one hour before bowling to the tournament manager. When possible, any corrections should be mailed in ahead of bowling day.
6. All bowlers are automatically entered into both Handicap and Scratch divisions. All prizes are returned 100% on a ratio of 1 to 10 in each event and 1 to 20 in All Events.
7. Winning teams, partners or individuals will be placed in the division in which their standings earn the most money. They cannot claim both scratch and handicap prizes for the same score. They will be awarded the prize paying the greater amount and if equal amount, the prize on handicap basis.
8. Multiple Participation – Teams – Bowler may compete with as many as he or she desires – teams may enter more than once – but no more than three (3) bowlers on the same BA/MBA or two (2) bowlers on a mixed team can place more than once in the team prize list position standings. Doubles – Partners may re-enter and will only cash once, with the highest score, or by changing partners. In doubles, a bowler may cash as many times as a scores allow – in Singles, one time only. When a bowler competes more than once in any event, scores of his/her first event will count toward All Events. Mixed teams will consist of 4 bowlers (2 Men & 2 Women) but no more than 2 bowlers on the same team can place more than once in the prize list position standings. Multiples participation is allowed by changing at least 2 team members. Doubles/Singles – Bowlers may re-enter during tournament, provided space is available. A mixed double must be 1 man + 1 woman.
9. In the event of machine breakdown and unusual delay is anticipated, bowling on such lanes will be moved to another pair of lanes assigned by tournament officials; or to return on another date when the same lanes are available during the duration of the tournament. In all cases, game will continue from point of breakdown.
10. Premature termination of the tournament brought by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating thereto or therefore, fires, strikes lockouts, labor difficulties or other reasons beyond the control of the tournament committee shall cause the foregoing prize schedules to be pro-rated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled in each of the respective events up to the time of termination.
11. Unmarried Grade or High School students under 18 years of age must have written consent of their parents or guardian on an approved form which must be submitted to the Tournament Secretary at least one week before participation unless students are accompanied by his or her parent or legal guardian at the tournament in which case the consent for may be filed at that time.
12. All bowlers must comply with USBA Rule 319E and 319 A & D concerning re-rated averages for any reason must submit this fact in writing for entry into this tournament. Failure to comply with this rule may result in forfeiture of all entry fees and/or prize money.
13. **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES WILL BE THE LAST SQUAD OF THE LAST DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT.**
14. No entry fees will be refunded under any circumstances – once the tournament has begun.
15. Lanes will be pre-assigned and posted prior to your scheduled times.
16. Pacers are allowed to bowl as per USBC Rule 323
17. ALL EVENTS – Men Bowlers may bowl in BA and MIXED divisions. You must bowl teams, doubles and singles in each respective division to have your scores count toward all events.

Women Bowlers may bowl in BA, WBA and MIXED divisions. You must bowl teams, doubles and singles in each respective division to have your scores count toward all events. NO MIX of scores from one division to another.

**ALL BOWLERS MUST ENTER BEFORE YOUR FIRST EVENT BOWLED, TO BE INCLUDED IN ALL EVENTS.**

### ENTRY FEE PER INDIVIDUAL

		5 PERSON	
PRIZE FEE	\$15.50	TEAM EVENT	\$170
BOWLING FEE	\$11.00	DOUBLE	\$68.00
(Tax Included)		SINGLES	\$34.00
EXPENSE FEE	\$7.50	ALL EVENTS	\$6.00
	\$34.00	(Optional)	
Total cost per bowler for Team, Doubles, Singles and All Events			
	\$108.00		

ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY BLANK  
NO PERSONAL CHECKS  
SEND BANK CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS  
ONLY PAYABLE TO:  
GREEN MT. OPEN TOURNAMENT BOWLERAMA  
158 SOUTH MAIN ST \* RUTLAND, VT 05701  
TOURNAMENT MANAGERS  
TOM SMYRSKI \* MR. FORTE

FOR RESERVATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION  
PHONE (802) 773-7707 FAX (802) 775-1115  
MON THRU FRI 9 A.M TO 11 P.M  
  
ENTRY BLANKS MUST BE IN WITHIN 2 WEEKS  
OF PHONE RESERVATION OR SAID RESERVATION WILL  
BE RELEASED TO OTHERS

MULTIPLE PARTICIPATION ALLOWED. SEE RULE 8.

IF ANY BOWLER HAS QUALIFIED FOR A TOTAL OF \$600 OR MORE IN PRIZES IN TOURNAMENT DURING THE PAST YEAR, PLEASE INDICATE BY CHECKING YES OR NO. IF ANSWER IS YES, ATTACH SHEET LISTING THE BOWLER OR BOWLERS NAMES, THE AMOUNT, WHAT TOURNAMENT THEY CASHED AND WHAT SCORES WERE ROLLED.