

Nation's Capital Area USBC Association

**80th ANNUAL
WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT**

USBC CERTIFIED



AMF CAPITAL PLAZA

4601 Cooper Lane • Hyattsville, Maryland • 301/772-6565

March 14-15, 21-22, 28-29, 2026

ENTRIES CLOSE MARCH 6, 2026

SQUAD TIME:

9:00 AM for all squads

**OPTIONAL SCRATCH & "60+" CATEGORIES
CROSSOVER DOUBLES**

PRIZES RETURNED: At least 1 in every 6 entries

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TEAM EVENT		AMF CAPITAL PLAZA 4601 Cooper Lane • Hyattsville MD • 301/772-6565												
TEAM NAME:					CAPTAIN'S NAME:									
ADDRESS:					CITY:					CHECK BOX TO RECEIVE CONFIRMATION BY eMAIL: <input type="checkbox"/>				
STATE:		ZIP:		PHONE:			eMAIL:							
POS	PRINT NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR USBC MEMBERSHIP CARD LAST FIRST INIT						BOWLER ID NUMBER			AVERAGE 2024-25				
1														
2														
3														
4														
CHECK THE BOX AT RIGHT TO ENTER THE SCRATCH TEAM EVENT: <input type="checkbox"/>														
** MUST BOWL IN REGULAR TEAM EVENT TO ENTER **														
FEES			TEAM		PER BOWLER		TEAM — DATES AND TIMES							
Prizes			\$ 70.00		\$ 17.50		DATES: March 14, 22, 29, 2026							
Lineage			\$ 54.00		\$ 13.50		TIME: 9:00 AM							
Expenses			\$ 16.00		\$ 4.00		1ST CHOICE				2ND CHOICE			
TOTAL			\$ 140.00		\$ 35.00		DATE		TIME		DATE		TIME	
(Optional Scratch Event)			(\$ 40.00)		(\$ 10.00)									
TOTAL WITH SCRATCH EVENT			\$ 180.00		\$ 45.00									
Each bowler must present a current USBC membership card.														
ENTRY#			DATE:			SQUAD # T-			\$					
SINGLES & DOUBLES														
POS	PRINT NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR USBC MEMBERSHIP CARD LAST FIRST INIT					BOWLER ID NUMBER	AVG 2024-25	SCRATCH EVENTS		ALL EVENTS		** SENIORS ONLY ** AGE 60+ (AS OF 3/14/26)		
								SGLS	DBLS	REG	SCR	SINGLES	ALL-EVENTS	
1									<input type="checkbox"/>					
2									<input type="checkbox"/>					
1									<input type="checkbox"/>					
2									<input type="checkbox"/>					
QUALIFY FOR "OFFICIAL AVERAGE LEADERS" Bowling at least three games in this event will satisfy the required tournament games necessary for consideration for the women's NCAUSBCA 2025-2026 Official Average Leaders listings. Use "TAB" key to move across and down the page.								SINGLES & DOUBLES — DATES AND TIMES						
								DATES: March 15, 21, 28, 2026						
								TIME: 9:00 AM						
								1ST CHOICE				2ND CHOICE		
								DATE		TIME		DATE		TIME
FEES		DOUBLES		PER BOWLER		SINGLES		Cost Each (Worksheet Only) Number Amt. Enclosed						
Prizes		\$ 35.00		\$ 17.50		\$ 17.50		\$140 – Team Event _____						
Lineage		\$ 27.00		\$ 13.50		\$ 13.50		\$ 70 – Doubles Team _____						
Expenses		\$ 8.00		\$ 4.00		\$ 4.00		\$ 35 – Singles _____						
TOTAL		\$ 70.00		\$ 35.00		\$ 35.00		\$ 10 – All-Events _____						
(Opt Scratch Event)		(\$ 20.00)		(\$ 10.00)		(\$ 10.00)		***** OPTIONAL EVENTS *****						
TOTAL WITH SCRATCH EVENT		\$ 90.00		\$ 45.00		\$ 45.00		\$ 40 – Scratch Team Event _____						
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NCAUSBCA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT								\$ 20 – Scratch Doubles Team _____						
								\$ 10 – Scratch Singles _____						
								\$ 10 – Scratch All-Events _____						
								\$ 10 – 60+ Senior Singles _____						
								\$ 10 – 60+ Senior All-Events _____						
								Total Enclosed _____						
ENTRY#			DATE:			SQUAD #M-			\$			Date Rcvd:		

Tournament Rules

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- 1. ELIGIBILITY:** Only female members of USBC and the Nation's Capital Area USBC Association (NCAUSBCA) are eligible to participate in this tournament. Walk-in entries are not permitted. Bowlers must present 2025-2026 USBC membership card and confirm lineup as shown on the entry form at least 30 minutes prior to the start of each scheduled event.
- 2. PARTICIPATION:** Bowlers entered in the Doubles event must also enter the Singles event. Likewise, all Singles event entrants must also bowl in the Doubles event. Doubles will be bowled immediately following the Singles event. Bowlers will bowl all six (6) games on the same pair of lanes.
 - a. Bowlers may enter Singles and Doubles more than once, as long as the Doubles partners change.
 - b. Bowlers may only cash once in Singles.
 - c. Bowlers may enter the Team event more than once, as long as two (2) members of the team change.
 - d. Women ages 60 and above (born on or before March 14, 1966) are eligible to enter the optional 60+ Singles event and/or 60+ All-Events.
 - e. Bowlers may elect to compete in the optional scratch events using scores bowled in the regular events.
- 3. AVERAGES:** Entrants shall use the following averages:
 - a. Highest USBC 2024-2025 winter or summer average of 21 games or more as posted on *BOWL.com*.
 - b. If no 2024-2025 average, a bowler may use her highest current average of at least 21 games listed on the latest or final league sheet distributed the week of Saturday, March 7, 2026 through Friday, March 13, 2026 (excluding scores bowled that week).
 - c. **If only average is Sport or Challenge, it will be converted per USBC Rule 201.**
 - d. If none of the above applies, the bowler must enter with highest USBC average of 21 games or more as posted on *BOWL.com*. If bowler does not meet any of the above criteria, she must bowl with a scratch average of 230. **USBC RULES 319c, 319d, and 319e WILL APPLY.**
 - e. Averages from "singles" leagues will not be accepted.
- 4. HANDICAP:** The handicap used is 100% of the difference between the individual's average and 230.
- 5. BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY:**
 - a. Each bowler must verify the accuracy of her average.
 - b. Failure to use the correct average will:
 - i. Disqualify scores if submitted average is lower than the correct average.
 - ii. Prize winnings will be based on submitted average if it is higher than the actual average.
 - c. **The "10-Pin" Rule** for averages will apply (**USBC 319a[2] and 319c**).
 - d. Entrants must report any previous tournament prize winnings in the last year of \$300 or more and the tournament scores (**USBC 319d**). **This information must be submitted with the entry application.** — Use Prior Winnings Report form: tinyurl.com/mpt548u2
- 6. LINEUP:** **The bowling lineup shall be the same as entered on the entry form.** A tardy bowler may enter the game at any point, but she will receive a zero (0) score for each frame missed (**USBC 322a**).
 - a. The team captain has the privilege of substituting other bowlers for those originally entered. Once a substitute has started competition, the original entrant may not replace the substitute.
 - b. The names of all participants must be listed on the entry form.
- 7. ENTRY FEE:** The entry fee is \$35.00 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.

8. SUBSTITUTES: Substitutes are permitted, provided they meet the eligibility requirements. Emergency substitutions will be permitted only for Team and Doubles events. If no substitute is available, only the actual frames bowled will be scored. A bowler's entry fee and rights to any prize money for any event is transferred to the substitute and shall not be reimbursed to the original bowler in the lineup. Once a substitute has entered an event, the original entrant may not bowl in that event. The All-Events fee is only transferable to a substitute when she substitutes for all three events for the same bowler.

9. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION: All prize money will be returned 100%. The prize ratio for each event will be at least one (1) prize for every six (6) entries.

- a. Co-champions will be declared if there is a tie for first place in any event. The prize money will be combined and divided equally, and duplicate awards will be presented. For all other ties, prize money will be combined and divided equally among position winners.
- b. Checks and final prize list will be distributed to the 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.
- c. All tournament checks become VOID ninety (90) days after issuance.

10. SCHEDULE: Entries will be scheduled in the order received. No changes will be made after squad date(s) and time(s) have been confirmed, except for an emergency. Any scheduled squad with an insufficient number of entrants may be rescheduled at the discretion of the Tournament Director. If rescheduling occurs, team captains will be notified. **Entries close March 6, 2026.**

11. GENERAL:

- a. 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.
- b. Scores lost due to malfunction of automatic scoring system shall be re-bowled.
- c. USBC Rule 328 will apply. (A bowler must use the same hand to deliver the bowling ball throughout the tournament.)
- d. A protest or appeal must be filed within the timelines outlined in USBC Rule 329.
- e. No unreasonable or excessive delay in the progress of any game is permitted. In order to preserve the time limitations of each squad, a tournament official reserves the right to enter a score of zero (0) for each framed missed.
- f. "Walk-ins" are not allowed.
- g. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to request a tournament bowler complete an IRS W-9 Form before receiving winnings.
- h. Any issues or questions not covered herein shall be directed to and decided upon by the Tournament Committee.