

Greater Central CT USBC Association

18th ANNUAL OPEN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT



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USBC CERTIFIED

TO BE HELD AT

**BOWLERO SILVER LANES
748 SILVER LANE
EAST HARTFORD, CT 06118
(860) 569-2990**



DAY & DATE	SINGLES	DOUBLES	TEAM
SAT. FEB 3, 2024	8:30AM	10:00AM	
SUN. FEB 4, 2024	9:30AM	11:00AM	1:00PM
SAT. FEB 10, 2024	8:30AM	10:00AM	
SUN. FEB 11, 2024	9:30AM	11:00AM	1:00PM
SAT. FEB 17, 2024	8:30AM	10:00AM	
SUN. FEB 18, 2024	9:30AM	11:00AM	1:00PM

FINAL CLOSING DATE FOR MAIL-IN ENTRIES – January 23, 2024

**SINGLES AND DOUBLES ARE SEPARATE EVENTS
A BOWLER CAN BOWL SINGLES OR DOUBLES ONLY
TO ENTER ALL EVENTS A BOWLER MUST BOWL IN ALL THREE EVENTS
(TEAM, SINGLES, AND DOUBLES)**

PRIZE FUND: \$23.00
BOWLING & TOURNAMENT EXPENSE \$17.00
TOTAL PER PERSON- PER EVENT \$40.00

ALL EVENTS (OPTIONAL) \$ 5.00

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GCC:

MAIL ALL ENTRIES TO:
GREATER CENTRAL CT TOURNAMENT
61 East St Suite 1
Plainville, CT 06062

Walk-ins will be accepted for Team, Doubles, and Singles. (Subject to lane availability)
Walk-ins must be signed up 30 minutes before the squad time.

We will have two divisions: Handicap and Scratch.
You will only be able to cash in your division.
Division 1. (Handicap) Team 880 and below; Doubles 440 and below; Singles and All Events 220 and below.
Division 2. (Scratch) Team 881 and above; Doubles 441 and above; Singles and All Events 221 and above.

Tournament Director
Jermaine Huff
(open@gccusbc.org)

GREATER CENTRAL CONNECTICUT USBC ASSOCIATION
TOURNAMENT RULES and REGULATIONS
TOURNAMENT START DATE: FEB 3, 2024 ~ END DATE: FEB 18, 2024

1. ELIGIBILITY

- a. All entries are to be made in accordance with USBC Rules.
- b. All bowlers must be members of USBC, GCCUSBC, with a minimum of 21 games bowled in GCCBA by 1/23/2024, over the age of 17, and out of high school as of 1/23/2024 to participate in the tournament. Any bowlers holding a PBA/PWBA membership card are eligible to bowl in this tournament with the following provisions: Only one card holder will be allowed to bowl on a doubles team and no more than two card holders will be allowed to bowl in the team event.
- c. NO entry money will be refunded for failure to comply with all rules and eligibility requirements of the USBC and this tournament. Falsification of average is subject to disqualification.
- d. Any four members of the GCCUSBC may enter the team event.
- e. Any two members of the GCCUSBC may enter the doubles event. Note: Rule 4a.
- f. Entry fee MUST accompany the Entry Blank.
- g. Dress code Will Be Strictly enforced. See back page.
- h. **WARNING TO YOUTH BOWLERS:** You may jeopardize your amateur status by bowling in this tournament or any other tournament where cash prizes are awarded.

2. DIVISIONS

- a. Division 1: (Handicap) Team: 880 and below; Doubles: 440 and below; Singles and All Events: 220 and below.
- b. Division 2: (Scratch) Team: 881 and above; Doubles: 441 and above; Singles and All Events: 221 and above.
- c. Handicap bowler may elect to bowl scratch if notification is received prior to first event bowled.
- d. Bowler must bowl scratch throughout entire tournament. You are only eligible for prizes in your division.
 - i. Your average will be adjusted to 221 for all events and you will be placed in the All-Events Scratch.

3. MULTIPLE ENTRIES / RE-ENTRIES

- a. Bowlers will be permitted to enter the singles event more than once. The same individual will only cash once in their singles division.
- b. Bowlers will be permitted to enter the doubles and/or team event multiple times with the same or different team. Bowlers may elect to re-enter the doubles and/or team event, with the same team, subjected to lane availability. Bowlers may only cash once with the same team within the doubles event; bowlers may only cash once with the same team within the team event.
- c. Walk-ins will be accepted for Team, Doubles, or Singles up to 30 minutes before the squad time, subject to lane availability.

4. HANDICAP and AVERAGES

- a. Entrants will use their highest USBC sanctioned league average for the 2022-2023 season with a minimum of 21 games. Winter averages will be used. If no winter average is available with a minimum of 21 games, summer average will be used if a minimum of 21 games have been completed. If no average with a minimum of 21 games from the prior season, current highest league average as of January 23, 2024, with a minimum of 21 games will be used. This tournament does follow rule 319E. Average cut-off date for "10-pin" rule will be in effect as of January 23, 2024. The bowler will use their entering average from the first event appearance for the duration of the tournament. Completion of average verification form is required. If your only average is from a sport league it will be adjusted to the scale as per rule 201a.
- b. Divisions will be determined by bowler(s) average, for Team, Doubles, Singles, & All Events.
- c. Rule 319d does apply for this tournament which states:
 - i. Within the last 12-month period, anyone who has qualified for a cash and/or merchandise prize in the position standings prize list in a tournament, including all-events, special features, special prizes, and donated prizes, must give tournament management the following information prior to participation for possible average adjustment:
 1. The name of each tournament in which they have been paid the following prizes, or if not yet paid, in which they have qualified for the prize:
 - a. \$300 or more in any event
 - b. Total combined prize winnings of \$500 or more in any one tournament
 - c. Combined prize winnings of \$1000 or more in all tournaments within the last 12 months
 - d. The amount of the prize(s)
 - e. The actual score bowled to qualify for the prize(s)
 - f. The prize position(s).
- d. **TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJUST ANY AVERAGE AS THEY DEEM NECESSARY.**
- e. Handicap will be 100% of 220 per person, no max. Any average 220 or above, will bowl scratch. There will be no negative handicap.

5. ALL-EVENTS (OPTIONAL)
 - a. A bowler's first appearance in the team, doubles & singles event shall count towards the All-Events total in Bowler's Division.
 - b. The All-Events Plaque will be awarded to the bowler scoring high total score for all nine (9) games in all events of the tournament in Bowler's division.
 - c. Only those entrants who pay the fee qualify for all-events cash prizes. The fee is returned 100% in prizes. One prize will be paid for at least one in (8) eight entries. Fee must be paid prior to the bowler's first throw in their first event.
6. PRIZES
 - a. Prize fee will be returned 100% in prizes. One prize will be paid for at least eight (8) entries in the team, doubles, and singles events. Prize moneys will be paid within 30 days after the tournament ends. Plaques will be awarded at the GCC Awards Dinner. Prize fund for the scratch prizes will be determined by the total number of teams averaging 881 or higher in the team event, 441 in the doubles event, and 221 in the singles event and all events. Bowlers can cash once in their division for singles and all events.
7. TIES
 - a. Ties for first place shall be bowled off at a time designated by the tournament director. Prize money for all other ties will be equally divided among the positions tied. One game roll-off shall be bowled to resolve a tie in all divisions. Any ties remaining will be resolved with a ninth and tenth frame roll-off.
8. PROTESTS
 - a. Protest must be reported to the Tournament Director within 72 hours. See USBC Rule 329.
9. TARDINESS
 - a. Tardy players will start in the frame being bowled, with zero being scored for each frame missed.
10. FOR LANES
 - a. All three (3) games in each event will be rolled on the same pair of lanes. These lanes will be assigned by the tournament committee members.
11. CHECK IN
 - a. All bowlers are required to check in at the tournament desk to verify dress code and attendance at least 15 minutes prior to the squad start time. NO EXCEPTIONS
12. Any problem not covered by the rules stated above, or on the face of the entry form, will be governed by the rules of the UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS.
13. No bowler participating in any event of this tournament will be able to compete in any other event at the same time. NO EXCEPTIONS

TOURNAMENT DRESS CODE

- Participants (Male or Female) must wear a shirt with a polo type collar, mock neck collar, or crew neck shirt. Bowling apparel shirts will be allowed as long as they meet requirements listed above. No t-shirts allowed.
- Men may wear slacks, casual trousers, or denim jeans. Shorts will be allowed as long they are presentable with no holes or cutoffs. All pants must present a neat appearance. No gym/athletic pants, balloon pants, or sweatpants of any kind are allowed.
- Women may wear skirts, slacks, casual trousers, skorts, capris, or denim jeans. Capris will be allowed provided the length is below the knees and at least mid-calf or longer. Leggings will only be allowed with no visible undergarments. Skirts/skorts must be at least fingertip length when standing with arms down at sides and the garment's outer material must be at least half the distance of the upper leg. Shorts will be allowed as long as they are presentable with no holes or cutoffs.
- All clothing (Male or Female) must be neat, clean and have no holes or tears.
- Clothing **not** allowed: Sweatshirts, sweatpants, parachute (Warm up) pants, hats, and t-shirts. No profanity or vulgarity will be allowed on any clothing, including bowling jerseys.
- Tournament officials will check bowlers' attire during check-in. Unallowable attire must be changed before a bowler is allowed to participate in this tournament. Once participants commence bowling the decision on their wardrobe is implied as approved and final for that squad.

**All dress code decisions are up to the discretion of tournament management.
Decision will be final.**

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 Plainville, CT 06062
 E-mail: open@gccusbc.org

**APPLICATION FORM
 CLOSING DATE FOR
 MAIL-IN ENTRIES
 January 23, 2024**

TOURNAMENT DATES
 February 3,4, 2024
 February 10,11, 2024
 February 17,18, 2024

TEAM EVENT

CHOICE	DAY	DATE	TIME
FIRST			
SECOND			
THIRD			

TEAM NAME _____

	NAME IN ORDER OF BOWLING (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)	USBC MEMBER NUMBER	HIGHEST USBC AVG. 2022-23	AVG AS OF 1/23/2024	ALL EVENTS	TEAM CAPT
1						
2						
3						
4						

DOUBLES EVENT

CHOICE	DAY	DATE	TIME
FIRST			
SECOND			
THIRD			

	NAME IN ORDER OF BOWLING (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)	USBC MEMBER NUMBER	HIGHEST USBC AVG. 2022-23	AVG AS OF 1/23/2024	A-E
1-1					
2					
2-1					
2					

SINGLES EVENT

CHOICE	DAY	DATE	TIME
FIRST			
SECOND			
THIRD			

	NAME IN ORDER OF BOWLING (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)	USBC MEMBER NUMBER	HIGHEST USBC AVG. 2022-23	AVG AS OF 1/23/2024	A-E
1					
2					
3					
4					

GREATER CENTRAL CONNECTICUT USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP
TOURNAMENT VERIFICATION OF AVERAGE FORM

PLEASE HAVE YOUR LEAGUE OR ASSOCIATION MANAGER VERIFY THE AVERAGES
OF THE FOLLOWING BOWLERS:

NAME:	2022 – 2023 FINAL AVERAGE	CURRENT AS OF 1/23/2024
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PLEASE NOTE **SP** IF ADJUSTED FOR SPORT AVERAGE

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ALL VERIFICATIONS. MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE BOWLER'S FIRST SCHEDULED EVENT.

LEAGUE OR ASSOCIATION MANAGER

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/TOWN: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

I VERIFY THE ABOVE AVERAGES – SIGNATURE: _____

YOUR ATTENTION AND COOPERATION WILL SAVE A LOT OF TIME.