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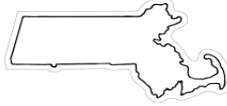

2023 MASSACHUSETTS STATE SENIOR TOURNAMENT

USBC Certified
Bowlero Chicopee Lanes
291 Burnett Road, Chicopee, MA 01020
(413) 592-9161
Tournament Director – Heather Guzman

HANDICAP 100 % OF 240

MAIL-IN ENTRIES CLOSE ON OCTOBER 18, 2023
WALK-IN AND RE-ENTRIES WELCOMED --- CLOSE 30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH SQUAD

THIS IS A 6 GAME HANDICAP TOURNMENT BOWLED OVER TWO SQUADS.
IT IS OPEN TO ALL BOWLERS AT LEAST 50 YEARS OF AGE
AND CERTIFIED THROUGH A MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION FOR 2023-2024.

Squad Times:
SATURDAY OCTOBER 28, 2023 -- SQUADS TIMES 12:00, 2:00 AND 4:00 PM
SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2023 -- SQUADS TIMES 10:00, 12:00 AND 2:00 PM

NOTE: THERE IS A WOMEN'S AND OPEN DIVISION

ENTRY FEE (6 GAMES)
Prize Fund	$21.00
Bowling	$24.00
Expense Fee	$ 5.00
Total	$50.00

NAME _____ LOCAL ASSOC. _____

STREET_____ PHONE _____

CITY, STATE AND ZIP _____

E-MAIL_____USBC #_____

Date of Birth _____   Highest USBC 2022-2023 Avg _____

ELECT **TWO** SQUAD TIMES		CHECK AGE AND CATEGORY	Woman	Open
_____ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023	12:00 PM	_____ A- 75 YEARS AND OLDER	_____	_____
_____ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023	2:00 PM	_____ B- 70 - 74 YEARS OLD	_____	_____
_____ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023	4:00 PM	_____ C- 65- 69 YEARS OLD	_____	_____
_____ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023	10:00 AM	_____ D- 60 - 64 YEARS OLD	_____	_____
_____ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023	12:00 PM	_____ E- 55 - 59 YEARS OLD	_____	_____
_____ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023	2:00 PM	_____ F- 50 – 54 YEARS OLD	_____	_____

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: *MTCUSBC State Tournament Fund*
MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT TO:
Heather Guzman
Seniors Tournament Director
16 Griswold Circle
Granby, MA 01033
413-244-4972

1. ELIGIBILITY-- All entrants must be a member of USBC and belong to a local association affiliated with the Massachusetts USBC and at least 50 years of age or older by October 28, 2023. Bowlers must be certified through a Massachusetts association for the 2023-2024 bowling season.

2. PARTICIPATION-- Entrants may participate as many times as they choose. The first six (6) games will be the first entry. Any person who bowls under an assumed name, or assumes the name of another, shall both individually and collectively forfeit their entry and prize money. All persons connected with the affair shall be subject to suspension from the United States Bowling Congress. No entry money will be refunded if it is discovered that an individual has failed to comply with all the rules and eligibility requirements of the United States Bowling Congress and this tournament.

3. WALK-IN ENTRIES -- All walk-in entries must be paid in cash. We strongly suggest entering by mail. All walk-in and re-entries will be served on a first come basis, space permitting. Walk-ins and re-entries must register one half hour before a squad starting time at the registration desk.

4. AVERAGES -- Each participant must use their highest USBC certified average for 21 games or more for the 2022-2023 bowling season. If the bowler has no certified average for the 2022-2023 bowling season, they shall use their highest certified average the 2023-2024 season for 21 games or more as of October 28, 2023. Entrant must provide proof of that average with the league sheet dated if using 2023-2024 average. Entrants without a certified average will be bowling scratch with zero handicap. **USBC RULE 319a-2, 319d, 319c and319e WILL BE ENFORCED**. It is the bowler's responsibility to be certain that their correct entering average is used. The use of an incorrect average or failure to report a correction prior to the completion of the first game of a series shall be grounds for disqualification of the score, if the submitted average is lower than the actual average or cause the score to be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the actual average.

5. HANDICAP -- Handicaps will be 100% of the difference between the entrant's average and a base of 240.

6. PRIZES -- All prize money shall be returned 100% on a ratio of at least 1 in 7 entries. All prizes are awarded on a handicap basis only.

7. TIES -- Tie scores for first place only will be decided by a one game roll-off at a site and time to be decided by the tournament director. In the event of any ties for any other position, prize money will be split equally between the adjoining places.

8. CHECK-IN -- All entrants must check in at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned squad time. Entrants must present their USBC membership card at check-in. A printout of a membership card from www.bowl.com will be accepted.

9. SUBSTITUTIONS -- Substitutes will be allowed providing they meet all requirements. After a participant has started their first game of bowling, no substitutes will be allowed.

10. DISPUTES -- All matters in dispute or errors in scoring shall be reported by the bowler to the tournament director immediately. All decisions of the tournament director are final.

11. PROTESTS -- Verbal protests must be first made to the Tournament Director during the competition. The detailed protest must also be put into writing and addressed to the Association Manager. The written protest must be post marked within 3 days of the completion of this tournament. Failure to provide a written protest within the time frame will make the protest null and void.

12. TOURNAMENT DRESS CODE:

Allowable -- Lapel-collared or a mock-turtle neck shirt, dress trousers or jeans, and dress type golf shorts.

Not Allowable -- T-shirts, tank tops, hats, torn jeans, jean shorts, cut-offs, or workout pants.

13. PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED -- Handicapped bowlers requiring aids such as canes, wheelchairs, etc. or who are blind, must report this in writing at the time of entry so that special scheduling consideration can be made. Similar notice must be given for substitutes who are handicapped.

14. MACHINE BREAKDOWNS -- If entrants are moved during tournament play to another pair of lanes, they will be allowed two practice balls on each lane before play resumes.

15. RULES -- All USBC Rules will govern in all situations not covered by the above.