

**A CHECK FOR ENTRY FEES RETURNED BECAUSE OF "INSUFFICIENT FUND" OR ANY OTHER REASON WILL BE RETURNED TO SENDER ALONG WITH ENTRY BLANK. AN ENTRY THUS CANCELLED CAN ONLY BE RE-ENTERED BY PAYING THE BANK CHARGE AND ENTRY FEE WITH A CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.**

1. Entry Fees for team, doubles, singles and all events must accompany the entry blank. Bowlers wishing to participate in the **(Scratch and/or handicap) "ALL-EVENTS"** Prize Funds must pay additional \$6.00 each event selected. Please check opposite singles entry. No refunds of entry fees can be made after prize list is posted. Any bowler who scores the highest 9 games scratch total is eligible to receive the **"All-Events"** Championship Trophy. Scratch and handicap champion in each event will be so recognized with trophies. In the event of a tie, Co-Championship will be declared.

2. Entry blank must be filled out in detail; if not legible or complete all entries will be returned. **USBC Bowler ID Number** of each bowler that competes must be listed. **ENTRANT'S FULL NAME MUST APPEAR ON BLANK.** Doubles, singles and all-events entries must be entered on the same entry and can be sent in along with 5 person team entries. Singles and Doubles shall be bowled on one pair of lanes. Entry blank is available on St Joseph USBC website ([www.stjoesphbowling.com](http://www.stjoesphbowling.com)).

3. Bowler must pay for **BOTH** Singles and Doubles entry. No bowler is allowed to pay for just Singles or Doubles.

4. **USBC Rule 317** applies and you will be allowed to bowl more than once in the team event, providing not more than 3 members of one team bowl together. Bowlers who are entered more than once in the team event must be bona fide members of the league from which the team is entered and may not enter more than once from each league. Each bowler must have participated in at least 12 games of each league from which he or she is entered prior to the closing date **(10/02/11)** of averages in the City Association Tournament. Bowlers may enter single and doubles once.

5. Bowlers who belong to organizations whose names include the words "professional" or "semi-professional" are limited to two bowlers per team in team event and one bowler per doubles event.

6. Both winter and summer leagues are eligible to enter the tournament.

7. All entrants will be handicapped by 90% of the difference between their averages and 220 for singles, 90% combined averages for doubles from 440 and 90% combined averages from 1100 for team. **THE PRECEDING SEASON'S HIGHEST WINTER AVERAGE WILL BE USED** (SJBA Yearbook). Minimum of (21) games in any one (1) sanctioned league. **If entrant did not have a sanctioned average in the preceding year, they will use the current year's highest average based on (12) game minimum as of opening date of the tournament.** If entrant doesn't have a previous season winter book average and doesn't have a current average with at least 12 games by **10/02/11** then a summer average of 21 games or more may be used. If the entrant does not have a sanction average they may enter on a scratch basis.

8. **USBC Rule 319A-C-E** applies to all bowlers when entering a USBC sanctioned handicap tournament. Failure to comply shall cause forfeiture of all entry fees, scores, and prize money if their average is higher than the one submitted on the entry form.

**(The ten-pin rule not be in effect for this tournament)**

9. **Rule 327b.** After a score has been recorded, it cannot be changed unless there is an obvious error in scoring or calculation. Obvious errors must be corrected by a tournament official immediately upon discovery. Tournament management shall decide questionable errors. All protests must be in writing to tournament management before completion of the current event, otherwise scores will be correct as entered.

10. Only bonifide members of the St Joseph USBC Bowling Association are eligible.

11. Non-members living within the jurisdiction of this association who are not members of another association may enter by paying an unattached membership fee. Members of other associations who reside outside the SJBA jurisdiction must have a minimum of 12 games in each league entered from by the closing date of average **(10/02/11)** and must have purchased a SJBA membership no less than 30 days prior to the closing date of average **(10/02/11)**.

12. All bowlers must check in 1/2 hour before squad time for warm up balls. Squads may be started ahead of schedule if all bowlers are present.

13. Team captain is responsible for eligible lineups and scores will not be allowed for any violation.

14. Teams or individuals failing to appear at their scheduled time to bowl may start in their regular turn, coinciding with the rest of the squad, at the discretion of the Tournament Manager. Those who do not show, forfeit their place and entry fees.

15. Any entrant appearing at his or her scheduled time of bowling who appears to be under the influence of intoxicating liquors or any entrant who willfully delays the normal progress of the game, an entrant whose conduct or attire on the lanes is considered objectionable to tournament management, may be removed from the lanes and tournament, regardless of whether a qualified substitute is available or not. **NO TANK TOPS OR OBSCENITIES ON ATTIRE.**

16. When a bowler is a member of more than one five-person team in the tournament, his or her first score in the five-person event shall count towards an all-events score.

17. There can be only one substitute for any Doubles entry. If a substitute takes the place of a bowler who is entered in both Singles and Doubles, the substitute must bowl in both events. No bowler can substitute in Singles event only.

18. Rule 306c (playing Rules Book page #82) An all events entry can be transferred if the transfer is made before either of the bowlers involved have participated in any event of the tournament shall apply.

19. Team lineup **MUST** appear on the entry blank in the proper order so that the score sheets can be prepared in advance.

20. Team captains only may request changes in their team's schedule. Doubles and Singles changes must be with the consent of both contestants. Any changes made with the approval of the Tournament Manager will be with the acceptance of the time and change of lanes by the Manager. The Manager shall have the power to make any changes in the schedule as to lanes and times.

21. Each individual bowler is held responsible for rule violations and is subject to USBC rules and regulations governing Tournament Competition.

22. In the event of mechanical failure it is hereby agreed that the bowlers affected shall be moved to the next available lanes in the establishment at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

23. **USBC Rule 12 (page 20 USBC Rule Book):** The application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, such substances as talcum powder. Pumice and resin on shoes; also soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach.

24. **USBC Rule 18 (page 24 USBC Rule Book):** Altering the surface of the bowling ball by use of any foreign substance while bowling is prohibited. All bowling balls so altered must be removed from the competition. No Foreign substances allowed in bowling area.

25. The Tournament Manager reserves the right to check any bowling ball used in tournament.