

OCUSBC SENIORS SINGLES TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** All entrants must be members of Orange County USBC Association, transfers are available for \$13.00.
 - a. Participants are required to show their current USBC membership card (or receipt from league of card purchase) at time of check-in.
 - b. Any person who bowls under an assumed name, under the name of another person scheduled to bowl in the tournament, or who is under suspension from USBC memberships shall be disqualified. The individual shall forfeit his/her entry fee, all prize monies, and be subject to suspension from USBC membership.
2. **ENTRY FEE:** \$50.00 per person (Lineage \$18.00 Expense \$7.00 Prize Fund \$25.00)
 - a. You may bowl as many times as you wish but you can only place in his or her division for championship and only cash once in the prize fund.
 - b. The prize fund is returned 100% in a ratio of at least one prize for every eight entries.
3. **TOURNAMENT FORMAT:** This is a handicap singles tournament consisting of two separate divisions: Open Division (men and women) & Women's Division (women only). Within each division are three age classifications: 50-59 / 60-69 / 70+. Three (3) games singles handicap by division tournament, certified by USBC. One Optional Scratch Division for all ages cost is \$10.00, 100% returned as prize fund.
 - a. Any group wishing to bowl together please send an email to assnmgr@ocusbc.org with request by July 10, 2026.
 - b. Handicap to be 90% of 230.
 - c. Participants must be age 50 as of July 25, 2026.
 - d. Winners in each division will qualify to receive one free entry into the 2026 CUSBC Senior Tournament. Entry Fees must be paid by the bowler to CALUSBC and will be reimbursed to the entrant upon proof of participation (copy of tournament recap will suffice).
4. **AVERAGE:** Entering average must be established in an USBC certified league. The highest of the following averages will be used in the following order:
 - a. USBC composite average from 2024-25 season with a minimum of 21 games.
 - b. USBC current 2025-26 average with a minimum of 21 games, if current league has not completed, email a league sheet to assnmgr@ocusbc.org.
 - c. USBC 2023-24 season composite with a minimum of 21 games.
 - d. If none of the above, the bowler will enter at 220.
Note:
USBC Rule 319a Conditions that apply
USBC Rule 319b Assigned Average
USBC Rule 319c (re-rating) will be enforced
USBC Rules 219d and 319e will be waived
USBC Rule 319a (3) will be enforced (failure to report correct average.)
USBC Rule 201 applies (sport average adjustment) and will be enforced
Any bowler who bowls in a 'challenge' league, or any other known league that bowls on a sport condition, which does not certify with USBC as a sport league, will be subject to re-rating by the Tournament Director.
5. **SUBSTITUTES:** OCUSBC assumes no responsibility to provide replacement. Replacement for the original entrants may be made providing the replacement meets eligibility and average requirements and must take the place in the line-up of the original entrant. Replacement must bowl under his/her own name.
6. **TARDY PLAYERS:** Bowlers arriving late shall begin play in frame being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Frames may not be made up.
7. **DELAY OF GAME:** If equipment failure on a pair of lanes would delay the progress of the series, a tournament official can authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of certified lanes. The interrupted game and series must be resumed from the point of interruption. No practice will be allowed after being moved. See USBC Rule 321.
8. **SLOW BOWLING:** OCUSBC has allowed entrants three hours to bowl the entire four-game set. Except for those caused by lane breakdown (#7), no unreasonable delays will be permitted. Please be ready to bowl when it is your turn. Advise a scorekeeper if a bowler must leave the lanes, otherwise bowler may be given a zero for that frame and might be subject to disqualification. This will be determined at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
9. **RE-RACKS:** Each bowler is allowed a total of one re-rack per series. Additional re-racks may be granted by Tournament Director.
10. **SCHEDULE INFORMATION:** Entries will be given preference in the order in which they are received.
 - a. When all squads are filled, the next available date will be assigned.
 - b. Group reservations may be made, but FULL payment of entry fees MUST be submitted no later than two weeks after reservations are made, or the spots will be forfeited.
11. **BOWLING ATTIRE:** All Bowlers must wear suitable attire. No sexual, Alcohol, Tobacco or Profane Advertisements will be allowed on any attire or equipment. NO TANK TOPS, HALTER TOPS, SWEATS, SPANDEX, "CUT-OFFS" or SHORT SHORTS, of any kind allowed. Walking Shorts, "Skorts" and skirts are permitted.
12. **DISQUALIFICATION:** While participating in scheduled events, a bowler may be disqualified immediately for the following:
 - a. An infraction of the rules.
 - b. Delay in bowling.
 - c. Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated on the lanes or inside the tournament venue. Individuals are subject to ejection for engaging in improper tactics or conduct including but not limited to physical and verbal abuse toward other persons.
 - d. Being under the influence of liquor or drugs.
 - e. Use of a foreign substance(s).
 - f. Use of a false average, you must disclose a current average that is 10 or more pins higher than entering average.
 - g. Failure to comply with the dress code.
13. **PROTEST:** Any protest must be made in writing within 72 hours of the time of infraction to Tournament Director. See USBC Rule 329a(1).
14. **ONLINE ENTRY CLOSING DATE:** July 10, 2026 or when squads are filled. On Site entries accepted as space permits.
15. **Tie Score:** In the event of a tie score in any Division Co-Champions will be declared.
16. Refunds will not be issued after tournament has been finalized and lanes are assigned, typically 72 hours prior to tournament.