

# Tournament Rules

1. This competition is open to ADULT bowlers ONLY. Participants must be 18 years of age or older at the time of competition.
2. **PBA/PWBA National Tour Players AND Youth bowlers are EXCLUDED.**
3. **Any players who have won a national title within the past 5 years are EXCLUDED.**
4. Strike Zone Bowling Center (Sunset Station Hotel & Casino) located at 1311 W Sunset Rd, Henderson, NV 89014
5. Saturday, November 18, 2023
6. **START TIME: 10:00am**
7. Check in: 8:30am \*\*Check in will close 15 minutes prior to squad start time\*\*
8. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. WALK-INS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
9. Tournament Director reserves the right to decline any entry.
10. **ENTRY FEE:** \$180 per team (\$60 per bowler). **ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN:** Prize Fund: \$111 - Lineage: \$42 - Expenses: \$27
11. **DEADLINE FOR ENTRY:** WEDNESDAY, November 15, 2023
12. This is a Handicap Trios Competition - 4 GAMES
13. Each team will consist of three (3) bowlers (All male, All female or Mixed)
14. Limited to one (1) PBA/PWBA member per team.
15. Lineup is determined by the order shown on the entry form.
16. **TEAM AVERAGE CAP:** 630
17. **MINIMUM INDIVIDUAL ENTERING AVERAGE:** 140
18. MAXIMUM INDIVIDUAL SCORE: 300 with or without handicap.
19. **TEAM HANDICAP:** 90% of the difference between 630 and the team's entering average.  
 $630 - (\text{Team's Entering Average}) = (\text{Difference}) \times 90\% = \text{Handicap}$ . Example: Team entering average is 620.  $630 - 620 = 10 \times 90\% = 9$  pins per game.
20. **OPTIONAL SINGLES:** Entry Fee: \$40 (Payable in advance or on site)-Entry Fee Breakdown: Prize Fund = \$34; Expenses = \$6.
  - Scores will be derived from the scores bowled in the team event.
  - Divisions: Scratch; 175 avg. and higher; 174 avg. and lower; Ladies
  - Minimum 6 entries required per division. If less than 6 entries in a division, divisions will be combined.
  - Bowlers who average less than 220 may enter both scratch and handicap divisions but MUST pay the \$40 entry fee for both divisions.
  - Handicap bowlers cannot bowl both handicap divisions.
  - Bowlers who average 220 or more can only enter scratch division.
21. **SINGLES HANDICAP:** 90% of the difference between 220 and the bowler's entering average. Example:  $220 - (\text{Bowler's Entering Average}) = (\text{Difference}) \times 90\% = \text{Handicap}$ . Example: 175 entering average.  $220 - 175 = 45 \times 90\% = 40$  pins per game
22. **ENTERING AVERAGE:** Bowlers must use the highest Standard Composite Average of at least 21 games from Bowl.com from the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons.
  - If a bowler ONLY has a Sport or Challenge certified league average, their average will be adjusted based on the USBC Average Adjustment Chart.
  - If a bowler has both a Standard Composite Average and a Sport and/or Challenge Composite Average, the Standard Composite Average will be used.
  - If a bowler has a re-rated average on Bowl.com, the re-rated average will be used.
  - If a bowler does not meet the above criteria for determining a highest Standard Composite Average, then a default entering average of 220 will be used.
23. **AVERAGE ADJUSTMENTS** - Tournament officials reserve the right to re-rate a bowler at any time if the bowler exhibits a skill level above the entering average shown on the bowler's recap sheet.
24. **AVERAGE VERIFICATION:** Averages will be verified by the Tournament Director prior to bowling.
25. **PRIZE DISTRIBUTION**
  - 100% of prize funds are returned to bowlers.
  - Prize money will be distributed at a ratio of at least one (1) payout per every six (6) entries.
  - Prize fund will be paid out in cash shortly after the conclusion of tournament play on Saturday, November 18, 2023.
26. **PRIZES**
  - Team: 4 games total pins w/handicap (Trophies in addition to cash prize for first place team only)
  - *Any member of the winning team who is wearing a Balls & Babes Jersey will receive an additional \$50.*
27. **Singles (applies ONLY to individuals who enter the optional singles competition)**
  - Overall individual (Scratch): 4 games total pins w/o handicap
  - Overall individual (175 avg. and higher): 4 games total pins w/handicap
  - Overall Individual (174 avg. and lower): 4 games total pins w/handicap
  - Overall individual (ladies): 4 games total pins w/handicap
28. **OIL PATTERN: TBD**
29. **OFFICIAL SCORES:** The computer printout provided by the bowling center will be the official score.
30. **TARDY BOWLERS:** Bowlers who miss one or more frames by not being present and/or ready to bowl when it is their turn shall be credited with zero (0) pins for all frames missed.
31. **ILLNESS OR INJURY:** If a bowler must withdraw once competition has started, the bowler will receive a ZERO score for all frames not bowled and no refund will be given.
32. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** This is not a USBC certified tournament.
  - Any determination of the Tournament Manager including, but not limited to, eligibility of players, players equipment, or players conduct, or any other factors which may lead to a player's disqualification or re-rating, will be considered final, binding and not appealable.
  - - Any disputes not covered in these rules will be resolved according to USBC rules.
33. **EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION:** In the event of a malfunction, tournament officials and bowling center staff will make a reasonable attempt to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.
34. **PROMOTIONAL CONSENT:** By entering this tournament, the bowler grants his/her consent to Balls & Babes Bowling, Strike Zone Bowling Center and/or all affiliated sponsors to use his/her name and/or likeness for promotional purposes without compensation.
35. Please call/text or email Sherri White with any questions or for more information. (702) 759-2231; BallsandBabesBowling@yahoo.com.