

4 GAME SWEEPER W/ BRACKET PLAY FINALS TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Rules:** The tournament is **not** sanctioned by USBC. However, USBC Playing Rules will be used for any rules not covered below.
2. **Entry Fee:** Entry fee will be \$60.00 per bowler (\$12.00 lineage and \$48.00 prize fund). An optional scratch entry will be \$25.00 per bowler.
3. **Format:** The tournament is a singles tournament with bowlers bowling 4 games of qualifying across 8 lanes. After qualifying, there will be a cut to the top 8 handicap bowlers with single elimination bracket play seeding to be determined from highest to lowest handicap series. In the event of a tie for bracket placement, the tie breaker shall be (1) highest handicap game; (2) second highest handicap game; (3) third highest handicap game; (4) fourth highest handicap game; then a coin toss.

For bracket play, the first round shall be 1 vs. 8, 2 vs. 7, 3 vs. 6, and 4 vs. 5. The second round shall be the 1/8 winner vs. 4/5 winner and 2/7 winner vs. 3/6 winner.

Each bracket play match shall be determine with the highest handicap game advancing to the next round. Higher seed shall determine whether he/she bowls first or second. Any tie shall be decided by a 9th and 10th frame roll off with 1/5 handicap. In the event of a roll off tie, an additional 9th and 10th frame roll off with 1/5 handicap will be bowled until there is a winner.

The optional scratch entry payout shall be determined by the 4 qualifying games scratch total.

4. **Entering Average and Handicap:** All bowlers must use their highest USBC composite average from the previous two (2019-2020 or 2020-2021) seasons. Any bowler without a USBC composite average from the previous two seasons shall bowl scratch.

Handicap shall be 90% of 220.

5. **Prizes:** 100% of the prize fund will be paid out. Payout shall be 1 in 5 entries for both handicap and scratch. However, in handicap, a minimum of 8 bowlers shall cash (i.e. payout percentage may differ in the event less than 40 bowlers enter the event). 1st Place in handicap is guaranteed at least \$500.00 regardless of the number of entries.
6. **Entry Deadline:** All entries must be submitted at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the event on December 11, 2021 at 2:00 PM unless changed by the Tournament Director(s).
7. **Oil Pattern:** The oil pattern shall be the house shot of Shindig Family Entertainment Center.
8. **House Rules:** All bowlers are expected to abide by the house rules of Shindig Family Entertainment Center. Anyone breaking the rules could be subject to disqualification without a refund.
9. **Tournament Disruption:** Premature termination of the tournament brought by any other reason beyond the control of the Tournament Director(s) shall cause all advertised prizes to be refunded, minus any lineage, if qualifying hasn't been completed. In the event qualifying has been completed, payout shall be determined by qualifying scores if the first game of bracket play hasn't been completed. Any disruption past the first game of bracket play shall result in co-champions being declared and payout being equally divided.
10. **Questions / Disputes:** Any disputes must be reported no later than the beginning of the Bracket Play Finals. The Tournament Director(s) shall be the final authority in the event of disputes and all decisions of the Tournament Director(s) are final.
11. **Tournament Director:** The Tournament Director is Doug Shelby.