

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. USBC rules/regulations govern the conduct of this tournament. All members of USBC in good standing are eligible to participate. Cards can be purchased at www.bowl.com (see page 4). **All participants will be required to show their certification cards at check-in time.**
2. Those entering doubles must enter singles and vice-versa. Doubles & singles will be bowled consecutively, without any break between events. **DOUBLES WILL BE BOWLED FIRST.** All doubles and singles will be bowled with 2 or 3 bowlers per lane. Bowlers can bowl on as many teams as they desire; however, not more than 2 bowlers from the same team can place more than once on the handicap prize list. Must change doubles partners to cash more than once and singles can only cash once. The bowler's first team, doubles and singles score will count toward the all-events total.
3. Entrants will use their standard composite average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2023-2024 season which can be found on www.bowl.com. If no average last season, use the standard composite average based on a minimum of 21 games as of the date of participation in this tournament. All others will bowl scratch. **ALL AVERAGES MUST BE VERIFIED PRIOR TO BOWLING.** Secretarial verification will be accepted. **If a bowler's standard composite average is 15 pins higher than the 2023-2024 composite average at the time he/she bowls, that average must be used and reported.** It is the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average no matter who may submit the average. Failure to use the correct average or make corrections prior to completion of the 1st game of any series shall disqualify score if average used is below actual average. If higher average is used, prize will be based on that average. Report all prize winnings in past 12 months of \$600 or more in accordance with USBC rule 319d.
4. A handicap of 90% will be added to the actual scores bowled using the entry average for the determination of all handicap prizes. Handicap will be based on the difference between 220 and the entering average of bowlers.
5. Prize money will be based on handicap scores except for **SCRATCH ALL EVENTS**, and the following **SCRATCH** awards: **SCRATCH TEAM** will receive \$500 (1st), \$400 (2nd), \$300 (3rd), \$200 (4th), and \$100 (5th). **SCRATCH SINGLES** will receive \$250 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$150 (3rd), \$100 (4th) and \$50 (5th). **SCRATCH DOUBLES** will receive \$400 (1st), \$300 (2nd), \$200 (3rd), \$100 (4th), \$50 (5th). The **EXPENSE FUND** will award \$50 each for **INDIVIDUAL HIGH GAME/SERIES SCRATCH** each weekend. Prize money will be mailed to Team Captain 30 days after close of tournament. **100% OF PRIZE MONEY IS RETURNED.** Distribution of prize money will be based on a ratio of at least 1 for every 10 entries **EXCEPT** in all-events where the ratio will be at least 1 in 20. **New Bonus Scratch Events** prize money will be distributed on a ratio of at least 1 for every 20 entries. Whole team and doubles partner must enter to qualify per event.
6. Early entry deadline is January 31, 2025. Entries and re-entries will be accepted until the close of the tournament based on lane availability. After an entry has been received and processed by the Tournament Director, no fees shall be refunded. The Tournament Director reserves the right to reject any entry and any entry fee. **ONLY CERTIFIED CHECKS, MONEY ORDERS, OR PERSONAL CHECKS ARE ACCEPTED. (PERSONAL CHECKS THAT DO NOT CLEAR BANK DUE TO INSUFFICIENT FUNDS WILL BE CHARGED A \$40 ADMIN FEE. FUTURE PERSONAL CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.)** **Contact Director for PayPal and Zelle Payments.** SCHEDULING: (a) Preference in dates and times will be given in the order entries are received. (b) All money must accompany entry form. If not, form will be returned. All forms must be complete or priority will be forfeited and entry form returned. (c) Each entry must indicate at least 2 different weekend dates and 2 different time choices. If any of the 2 requested dates are assigned to your team, there will be **NO CHANGES.**
7. QUBICIA is the official score during the tournament. The official downloaded scores will be the official record after the game scores have been completed. The official score recap sheets will be audited and obvious errors will be corrected by tournament officials and compared to downloaded scores. Protests involving scores/rules must be made prior to payment of tournament prizes.
8. Premature termination to the tournament brought about by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating thereto or there from, fire, natural disaster or any other reason beyond the control of the Colonial Virginia Tournament shall causes, to the extent required thereby, all advertised prizes, guaranteed or otherwise, to be prorated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled in each of the respective events up to the time of such termination.
9. The tournament manager will assign lanes. Employees of AMF Williamsburg Lanes and the Colonial Virginia Tournaments are eligible to bowl in this tournament.