

RULES AND REGULATIONS
81st ANNUAL GREATER PEKIN USBC BA BOWLING TOURNAMENT

The Greater Pekin USBC BA Tournament is certified by the UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS and will be conducted in strict compliance with all of its rules and regulations for the 2011-2012 bowling season.

HANDICAP will be based on 90% of the difference between your average and 245, with no maximum.

DIVISIONS – There will separate scratch and handicap divisions delineated as follows: TEAM – if the 5 man team average is 1050 or above you are in the scratch division. 1049 and below is in the handicap division. DOUBLES – if 2 player average is 420 and above, you are in the scratch division. 419 and below is in the handicap division. SINGLES – if your average is 210 or above, you are in the scratch division. 209 and below is in the handicap division.

BOWLERS may bowl in the team event more than once. However, each time at least two (2) bowlers **MUST** be changed. Also, bowlers entered in the all events must use their first team score towards their all events total.

BOWLERS may bowl an unlimited number of times in the doubles and singles event. You **MUST** change partners in doubles. In singles you may cash only once using your highest score. If entered in all events, your first score in each event will be used for all events. Participation in both events is required (**for your first time**). Under no circumstances will a bowler be allowed to cash in both scratch and handicap divisions of each event with the same score.

ALL PRIZE FEES WILL BE RETURNED 100% (*Ratio for Team, Doubles & Singles is 1:10, A/E is 1:20*)

Averages indicated on the entry blank must be the highest USBC certified **WINTER LEAGUE** average for the 2010-11 season (minimum 21 games) for any association. If no average for the 2010-11 season, a bowler may use his or her current average for at least 21 games, which must be prior to January 1st, 2011. All other bowlers without an average will bowl scratch.

If an entrant has a current average for 21 or more games that is **10 pins higher** than the previous season's average, the entrant must use the current average in the tournament as of **January 1st, 2012**.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES will handicaps be increased after the participant has bowled.

Only members of the Greater Pekin USBC BA are eligible. A non-member living with the jurisdiction of this association, who are not members of any other association may enter by paying an unattached membership fee.

ALL AVERAGES ARE SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION.

Tardiness or Delay– A team or individual shall receive zero (0) for any frames missed unless a member of the TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE finds sufficient reason is given for postponing the event or the delay.

Sponsor plaques will be awarded for the highest Handicap & Scratch total in team event. The individual winners of Team, Doubles, Singles and All-Events (both scratch & handicap) will be given a choice of a plaque or the money equivalent for the plaque.

ONLY TWO (2) P.B.A. MEMBERS ALLOWED PER TEAM IN THE TEAM EVENT AND ONE (1) IN THE DOUBLES EVENT.

Computer printouts will be used to verify any score written on the recap sheets. Bowlers need to certify that their score is correct on the recap sheet at the completion of each series. This will be the only opportunity to correct any scoring errors.

Any protests other than score corrections must be submitted to the Tournament Committee within 30 minutes after completion of that event.

SCRATCH & HANDICAP BRACKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE – Winners will be posted at the end of each event:
*If your average is 210 or higher you will be in the SCRATCH BRACKETS
*If your average is 209 or below, you will be in the HANDICAP BRACKETS

Substitutions of bowlers may be made at any time prior to the start of an event. However, rearrangement of lineup will not be allowed.

Any questions on rules not addressed here shall be covered by the 2011-12 USBC Tournament Rules and the TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE.

ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE RESERVE SPOTS CLOSE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS AS SQUAD TIME ARE AVAILABLE.
ANY RESERVE SPOTS NOT PAID IN FULL BY JANUARY 1ST, 2012 WILL BE CANCELED!