

INTERNATIONAL MOOSE BOWLING TOURNAMENT RULES

Only Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose members holding active membership at the time of bowling will be eligible to bowl and compete for tournament prizes. All bowlers must present valid identification and membership cards.

1. The tournament is open to both men and women. The tournament schedule will consist of Singles, Doubles and 4-person Team events. There will be separate divisions for men and women in Singles competition. There will also be a category for All Events.
2. All bowlers must be sanctioned by the USBC or CTF.
3. A team that does not have a full line-up will not receive any score for an absentee bowler.
4. Any team or individual in this tournament failing to appear on the lanes when scheduled to bowl shall receive a score of "zero" for each frame missed.
5. No entry fees will be refunded if it is found that some teams or individuals have failed to comply with all the rules and regulations governing this tournament.
6. The On-Site Contact and the Tournament Committee shall have full power as to the acceptance of substitutes offered for any event supported by the proper affidavit. Each substitute must bowl under his own name and only at the properly scheduled time.
7. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of his average. Any bowler who submits a false average shall forfeit any and all prize money, and will be suspended from future tournaments.
8. When reporting averages, use each bowler's highest average during the previous league season. If a bowler does not have a previous league season average, use the highest average for 21 games or more as of January 1 of the current year. Those bowlers without a sanctioned average must use a tournament average of 220. Summer league averages will not be accepted.
9. This is a handicapped tournament. Each bowler will receive a handicap of 90% of the difference between his/her average and the tournament average of 220. There will be no maximum handicap used in this tournament.
10. On Saturdays, the Singles and Doubles events will take place, with the Singles event taking place first, followed immediately by the Doubles event. There will normally be eight (8) bowlers scheduled to each pair of lanes for Singles and Doubles.
11. To participate in the Singles event or Doubles event, you must enter both events.
12. USBC Rule 319a-2 will be applied, which states in brief that at the time of entry, if an entrant has a current season's average 10 or more pins higher than the prior season's average, the bowler must use his current average for entry in the tournament. USBC Rule 319a-3 states, in part, that failure to use the proper average or to make a correction prior to the completion of the first game of a series shall disqualify the score if a submitted average is lower than the actual average. If the submitted average is higher than the actual average, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average.
13. USBC and non-USBC members may participate in a "Moral Support" sanctioned tournament with high score recognition automatically extended to USBC members. Eligible non-league bowlers can qualify for high score recognition, at their option, by paying a \$21.00 fee, for which the USBC will issue an affiliated membership.
14. Canadian bowlers must provide a CTF membership card or pay \$21.00 for an affiliate card.
15. USBC Rule 308b: at least one prize for each 10 entries or major fraction thereof; one prize for each 20 entries for All Events.
16. A bowler is not eligible to compete more than once in each event with the following exception: members of the host lodge will be allowed to bowl more than once for out-of-town teams to fill vacancies and will qualify for prize money.
17. Any rules not specifically covered above will be covered by the rules of the United States Bowling Congress.
18. The On-Site Contact reserves the right to re-rate any entrant prior to bowling for reasons other than those set forth in Tournament Rule 14.
19. If bowlers are required to change lanes due to mechanical problems on their assigned lanes, they will not receive any additional practice time.