## Pennsylvania State USBC

## MASTERS TOURNAMENT



MARCH 2, 2024
HOLIDAY BOWL
181 Bowling Lane


ALTOONA, PA 16601
(814) 944-1677

## FIRST PLACE: \$5,000 BASED ON 100 ENTRIES

Qualifying Squad: Saturday, March 2, 2024-10:00 AM
Semi-finals: $\quad$ Saturday, March 2, 2024 - Immediately following
Finals: Step Ladder Finals - Immediately following
Lanes will be dressed prior to each squad Prize Ratio: 1 in 4 Brackets and Side Pots Available

THIS TOURNAMENT IS OPEN TO ALL USBC MEMBERS CERTIFIED WITHIN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA. ANY NON-PENNSYLVANIA RESIDENT MUST PURCHASE A CARD WITHIN PENNSYLVANIA AND HAVE A MINIMUM OF A 12 GAME AVERAGE IN A CURRENT LEAGUE CERTIFIED WITH A PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

Advance Entries Close - February 23, 2024
Walk-ins accepted up to one (1) hour prior to qualifying squad

ENTRY FEE
\$125.00 by February 23, 2024
$\$ 145.00$ after February 23, 2024
( $\$ 20.00$ added to prize fund)
Prize fund $\quad \$ 100.00$
Lineage $\quad \$ 25.00$
Over 50 Side Pot $\$ 20.00$

## Entry Form

## Pennsylvania State USBC <br> Masters Tournament <br> March 2, 2024 <br> Holiday Bowl - Altoona, PA

Entry fee by February 23, 2024 is $\$ 125.00$. After February 23, 2023 entry fee is $\$ 145.00$. Walk-ins accepted up to one (1) hour prior to qualifying squad.
If you wish to bowl with another entrant(s), entries must be sent together.

> Prize Fund . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 20.00$ Bowling Fees . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 20.00$ Over 50 Side Pot . . . . .

Difference of $\$ 20$ entry fee paid after February 23, 2024 will be added to the prize fund.

## BRACKETS AND SIDE POTS AVAILABLE

1. I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the USBC and all such special rules as are published for the Pennsylvania State USBC Masters Tournament.
2. After my entry fee has been accepted, I cannot transfer it except with the consent of the Toumament Director. If unable to appear, I will notify the Tournament Director, who may at her option permit or authorize a transfer of my entry. In no case is the PA State USBC obligated to refund an entry fee unless a replacement is secured.
3. I will adhere to the dress code. See Tournament Rule \#8.

## Please Print Clearly

Name $\qquad$ Bowler ID\# $\qquad$
Address $\qquad$


Local Association $\qquad$
Email: $\qquad$ Signature of Applicant $\qquad$
For Office Use Only

Entry No. $\qquad$
Date
Received $\qquad$

Make fee Payable to: PA State USBC
Mail to: Jeff Smith, Tournament Director 361 Vista View Lane
East Freedom, PA 16637
Phone: (814) 977-3639
Email: jsmith@bowlpa.com

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE USBC MASTERS TOURNAMENT

## GENERAL RULES - REGULATIONS - INFORMATION

Certified by the United State Bowling Congress

1. This is a one-day singles tournament open to USBC members certified within the State of Pennsylvania. Any nonPennsylvania resident must purchase a card within Pennsylvania and have a minimum of a 12 -game average in a current league certified with a Pennsylvania Association. Participants will be governed by the rules of the USBC, plus the following.
2. Entry fee is $\$ 125.00$ ( $\$ 100.00$ prize fund, $\$ 25.00$ lineage). All paid and completed entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until the entry closing date or until the maximum number of entries is received. The advance closing date is February 23, 2024. If lanes are available, late entries will be accepted up to one (1) hour prior to qualifying squad, with an additional fee of $\$ 20$ (to be added to the prize fund). All others will be placed on a waiting list in order of receipt. Any checks returned from the bank will be subject to a $\$ 35.00$ service charge.
3. TOURNAMENT FORMAT will be as follows:
a. Qualifying First Round: All entrants will bowl at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March $2^{\text {nd }}$. The qualifying round will be held to determine the top $25 \%$, who will then advance to the semi-finals. Each bowler will bowl five (5) games across ten lanes. This five-game total will be used to qualify and carry over for the semi-finals.
b. Semi-finals: The semi-finals will be held to determine the top five (5) high qualifiers. Each bowler will bowl three (3) games across six lanes. This three-game total added to the qualifying total will determine the position of the five (5) finalists for the stepladder finals.
c. Finals: The five (5) finalists will compete in one game matches in stepladder fashion on one pair of lanes to determine the tournament champion.
4. Participants may not practice in the tournament center on the day of the tournament.
5. All participants are to check in at the tournament office at least 45 minutes prior to qualifying squad time and must present their current USBC Membership Card. Failure to comply with this provision is cause for the Tournament Director to fill that position with a player from the waiting list. A bowler thus removed will be placed at the head of the waiting list. Anyone not present and ready to bowl at the start of any squad will receive a score of zero for each frame missed.
6. All participants will be allowed 10 minutes of practice for the qualifying round and 5 minutes for the semi-finals.
7. If the final position in any round should result in a tie, one game will be bowled immediately after completion of the round. In the event a tie exists after this match, $9^{\text {th }}$ and $10^{\text {th }}$ frames will be bowled until the tie is broken. For the step ladder finals, if there is a tie a $9^{\text {th }}$ and $10^{\text {th }}$ frames will be bowled until the tie is broken.
8. Participants are requested to wear suitable attire for the PA State USBC Masters Tournament. All shirts and blouses must cover the shoulders. Attire that is not suitable - bare midriffs, workout attire, short shorts, short skirts/skorts, any clothing with offensive language/images.
9. Prize fund shall be returned $100 \%$. Prize ratio is at least 1 in 4 . The top $25 \%$ will at least receive their entry fee.
10. After an entry fee has been accepted, I can neither sell nor transfer it. If I am unable to bowl, I will notify the PA State USBC office in writing, 24 hours prior to start of tournament. PA State USBC, at its option may permit the next person on the waiting list to participate in the tournament. If a paid replacement is secured the original entrant will receive a refund. If no replacement is secured, entrant will forfeit entry fee paid.
11. Over 50 side pot: $\$ 20$ entry fee, $1: 5$ cash, total pins from the qualifying round.
