

2015 Tournament Rules

- This tournament will be open to all female members of any local USBC chartered association in the State of Missouri and will be conducted under the rules and regulations of the United States Bowling Congress. Non-members who reside in the jurisdiction of these associations who are not members of another state association can become eligible by the purchase of a USBC membership card. A USBC member who is a non-resident of Missouri may participate in the tournament by paying the local association dues in the association where the tournament is being hosted. Only one such member per doubles team.
- Entrants will not be required to report previous tournament prize winnings. (USBC Rule 319d).
- You **MUST** have reached your 50th birthday by the first day of the tournament to be eligible to bowl in the tournament. **THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO BOWL IN A SENIOR LEAGUE TO COMPETE.**
- This will be a doubles and singles tournament with three games in each event. Doubles will be bowled before singles. If you enter doubles, you must enter singles and vice versa. You may bowl twice in each event, however, must change partners for doubles. Three pairs of doubles to a pair of lanes when possible.
- Doubles and Singles may be bowled consecutively or bowled separately on designated squads.
- All-Events will be based on six games (including handicap). In case of a tie in All-Events in any division, co-champions will be declared. A winner representative shall be chosen by rank of finish in All-Events in all six divisions and will represent Missouri in the National Senior Championships. Winner will also receive \$100 expense money.
- There will be six divisions in Singles and All Events. Division 1—75 years and above; Division 2—70 to 74 years; Division 3—65 to 69 years; Division 4—60 to 64 years; Division 5—55 to 59 years; and Division 6—50 to 54 years. Doubles will have only one division and partners DO NOT have to be in the same age group.
- Handicap is 90% of the difference between the highest certified average and 200 for singles, and 400 for doubles. All averages must be established in a USBC certified league and will be used in the following order:
 - Previous season's highest (standard or adjusted sport) in any association area. (10 pin rule will not apply.) (319e waived).
 - If no average from previous season, use the highest current season average at time of participation based on 21 games. (MUST BRING AN INDIVIDUAL BOWLER RECORD, CURRENT LEAGUE SHEET, OR PROVIDE THE ABILITY TO CHECK STANDINGS AND AVERAGES ON THE INTERNET AT THE TIME OF BOWLING).
 - If neither of these applies, bowler will use 200 and bowl scratch. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average, thereby resulting in a lower classification and more handicap. Prize winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average.
- The prize ratio is one for each eight entries in doubles and singles, and at least one for each ten entries in all events. Prize fees are returned 100%. In the event of a tie for first place in any event, co-champions will be declared and prize money will be combined and divided equally.
- All participants will be required to show their USBC card or league receipt.
- Bowlers check in at least 30 minutes before scheduled to bowl.
- Entries shall not be refunded unless a refusal has been received by the tournament director within 10 days of the date of notice of date and time assigned.
- The entrants whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacement hereby agree that the Missouri State USBC shall be liable ONLY to the extent of returned entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergencies or causes relating thereto or resulting therefrom, fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties, or causes beyond the control of the Missouri State USBC.
- The Missouri State USBC Association Tournament Committee shall decide any question not covered by these rules. The Missouri State USBC Association Tournament Committee shall have power to hear and act on all protests arising from or under construction of the rules of the Missouri State USBC Association Senior Women's Tournament. All decisions of the Missouri State USBC Association Tournament Committee shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC Rule 329.
- We reserve the right to move entries if squads cannot be filled.
- Late entries allowed, subject to availability of lanes up to one hour before squad. Money order or cash only! \$5 per person late fee will be assessed for entries after September 24, 2015.

ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN			
	Doubles	Singles	All Events
Prize Fee	\$ 16.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 2.00*
Lineage	\$ 15.00	\$ 7.50	
Expenses	\$ 13.00	\$ 6.50	
TOTAL	\$ 44.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 2.00
Total per woman for all three events: \$ 46.00			
*Note: AE Fee is paid once if entering twice under Rule 4.			
ENTRIES CLOSE NOVEMBER 1, 2015			

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION	
(A 4% surcharge will be added to total)	
Name	_____
Number	_____
Exp. Date (MM/YY)	_____
CCV:	_____
Billing Zip Code:	_____

Corrections in averages can be made up to the completion of the first game of a series, or within 48 hours after the completion of the series if the tournament manager, prior to the completion of the first game of the series, has given written consent to the bowler

