

# Carson Country USBC 2018 Annual City Open Championship

## Tournament Rules

1. This tournament is open to all members of the Carson Country USBC who have either an established book average with CCUSBC or who have bowled 21 games in a 2017-18 CCUSBC sanctioned league. Every entrant must be a member of USBC. Unmarried students under the age of 18 must file a parental consent form.
2. The entry fee for this tournament will be **\$25.00 per person per event** (team, doubles, and singles).
3. The *optional* all-events will be **\$5.00 handicap and \$5.00 scratch**.
4. Entry fees – Cash, Check or Money Order. **Make checks payable to CCUSBC**. Returned checks not made good prior to squad time will void entry. Entrant prior to squad time must pay all bank charges for returned checks or entry will be void. **Full payment of all entry fees must be submitted with entry form.**
5. Entries close on February 14, 2018. As such, no onsite entries (with the exception of re-entries) will be accepted.
6. Check-in is thirty minutes prior to squad time. For team event, team captains should check their team in with all members' USBC cards. For doubles/singles, bowlers should check in individually with their USBC cards.
7. The tournament shall consist of a four-person team event (a team can consist of four women, four men or four mixed), a doubles event, a singles event and all-events. Anyone bowling singles must bowl doubles. Anyone bowling doubles must bowl singles unless it is a doubles re-entry. Three consecutive games shall be bowled in each event and total pins shall decide the winner. The total of nine games bowled shall determine the all-events winner.
8. An entrant may participate in Team event two times; however, 3 or more bowlers on a team will be considered the same team and may not place more than once in event prize. Subs will be allowed. An entrant may participate in the singles event one time. Doubles with different partners will be allowed two times.
9. When a bowler competes more than once in team and/or doubles events, the first scores bowled in team and doubles shall count toward the all-event score, which is the total of the team, doubles and singles scores.
10. Should a squad have 8 bowlers or less, the Tournament Manager reserves the right to not hold that squad. Bowlers will be advised and asked to pick another squad, if available.
11. Any player or team arriving after the game has started, will be allowed to bowl, however, scores will count beginning in their first frame bowled. No score will be given for frames missed.
12. Singles are bowled immediately following doubles. **(There will be no splitting squads)**
13. Doubles/Singles are bowled in a 6-game block. If the doubles partner has not arrived and a substitute is not available, the present bowler will be permitted to bowl the games in the doubles event in order to qualify for all-events.

14. Entrants must use their highest CCUSBC sanctioned league average, regardless of whether bowled as a regular member or a substitute. **Note that USBC Rule 319a (ten pin rule) will apply.** Averages will be accepted in the following order:
  - a. Highest winter 2016-17 book average;
  - b. Highest summer 2017 book average;
  - c. Highest 2015-16 book average;
  - d. Highest 2017-18 21-game average as of the start of the tournament.
  - e. Entrants with no average will enter at 240.

**Averages will be adjusted according to USBC rules for all Tough Shot Leagues, PBA Leagues and Sport Shot Leagues or ANY league that changes patterns for their league throughout the season.**

15. Handicap will be determined on a series basis, based on 90% of 720 (except all-events scratch) and applied to each bowler.
16. All prize money will be returned 100% in the event collected.
17. Payouts will be 1 out of 4 except all-events, which will be 1 out of 10.
18. All USBC Rules not mentioned will apply. Tournament Management shall decide any questions not covered by the rules. **The decision of Tournament Management will be final unless appealed in accordance to USBC Rule 329.**
19. Errors in scoring must be reported prior to the start of the next squad.
20. All recaps should be signed by the team captain for team event and by all bowlers for doubles/singles events. It is each bowler's responsibility to verify that their scores have been written correctly as all recaps are official records of scores bowled. If recaps are not signed, scores will be accepted as read.
21. The Tournament Manager must be advised of substitutions at least one hour before the scheduled bowling time.
22. A substitute will not be required to reimburse the original entrant the fee paid nor shall the substitute be expected to give the entrant any prize money the substitute may win.
23. The lineup will be the same as shown on the entry form.
24. Entries will be scheduled according to requests if possible and in the order received. The Tournament Manager, except for an emergency, will not change the schedule. The Tournament Manager for each event will assign lanes. Each event will be bowled on a pair of lanes.
25. Bowlers will not make corrections to the scoring units or recap sheets without a Tournament Official's approval.
26. Any protest affecting eligibility or playing rules must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Manager before the tournament prize payments are made. Recaps are official records of scores bowled.
27. A tournament entrant will not be allowed to re-bowl a game or series, except as authorized by the tournament management when the scores are irretrievably lost from an automatic scoring device.
28. In the event of ties, prize money will be divided accordingly.
29. Only bowlers and officials will be allowed in the playing area. No food or beverages will be allowed in the playing area. Only Tournament Officials will be allowed to program, correct and record scores.

30. Bowlers using loud or abusive language or conduct unbecoming of a bowler shall have one warning. If misconduct continues, bowler will be removed from the lanes. The bowler will forfeit any awards and prize money to that event.
31. All other USBC rules not covered will apply and will be strictly enforced.
32. Reasonable attire is required and determination is at the discretion of the Tournament Management.
33. It is anticipated that during the Team event, there will be two teams (eight people) on a pair of lanes and during the Doubles and Singles events, there will be four people on a pair of lanes.
34. Tournament Management will do its best to accommodate pairings requests if noted on entry form.

Please direct any questions regarding the tournament to Michael Boecher at [deuceplus@gmail.com](mailto:deuceplus@gmail.com).

