

RULES - GOVERNING THE GCVUSBC BOWLING ASSOCIATION OPEN HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

1. ENTRY FEES - \$16.00 per bowler per event. Optional All events \$2.00 per bowler. Optional Scratch All Events \$2.00 per bowler. Bowlers must be entered in All Events in order to enter the Optional Scratch All Events. Bowlers may cash in both events. Teams will be able to enter the Optional Scratch Team Event for \$25.00. Regular Team Event scores will be used.
2. PRIZES – ONE IN FOUR ENTRIES. A Team Plaque and Chevron will be presented to all Champions, both Handicap and Scratch. In the event of a bowler or team winning both Handicap and Scratch in the same event, one plaque will be provided with both winning scores on the plaque. No plaques or chevrons will be awarded to optional winners if not overall Scratch Champions. Stop payment fees will be deducted from reissued prize checks.
3. HANDICAP – 100% of the difference of the bowler's entering average and 220 will be used.
4. Bowler's highest certified USBC league average of 21 games or more in the GCV Bowling Association for the 07-08 winter season will be used. Bowlers without a winter average will use a summer certified USBC league GCV average of 21 games or more. NEW BOWLERS – If bowler did not bowl in the GCV Bowling Association in the 07-08 season and does not have a summer average, the bowler will use highest certified USBC league average of the current season in the GCV Association of 21 games or more as of January 17, 2009. If bowler does not have an average in 07-08 or a current average, bowler will be assigned an average of 220. Bowlers must report a 15-pin increase in average. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction prior to completion of the first game of a series shall disqualify the score if the submitted average is lower than the actual average. Prize Winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher.
5. BOWLERS ENTERING TEAM EVENTS MORE THAN ONCE - **PLEASE READ:**
 - A. The same five bowlers can bowl & cash multiple times in the Team Event provided they meet the criteria in Rules 5B-5E.
 - B. Bowlers entering more than once in the Team Events must be bona fide members of the league from which the team is entered, and must have participated in at least 25% of the scheduled games of each league from which they entered prior to the closing date of entries. A player who so qualifies shall bowl on no more than one team for such league.
 - C. Anyone who bowls in only one league may enter the Team Event only once.
 - D. When a bowler is entered in two or more five-person teams in the tournament, their first score bowled shall count toward their All Events score.
 - E. Any team experiencing a vacancy or a bowler quitting and the new bowler doesn't have 25% of games will require a signed letter of explanation from the league secretary.
- 6A. Handicap All Events prize money will be paid One in Ten entries.
A replacement may be made in the All Events providing the replacement is made before the original entrant or replacement has bowled in the tournament.
*The bowler having the highest nine game total scratch will be declared the Scratch All Events champion whether or not entered in the All Events Fund and would be entitled to win a Plaque only.
- 6B. A. Optional Scratch All Events will be paid One in Ten entries.
The Scratch All Events will be based on the bowler's scratch All Events score. The bowler must be entered in All Events to be eligible to enter the Jackpot. Bowler may cash in both events.
B. Optional Scratch Team Event will be paid One in Five entries.
The Optional Scratch Team Event will be based on the five person team's scratch three game total score. Teams must enter the regular team event to be eligible. Their scratch score from that event will be used for the Optional Scratch Team Event and will not require any additional lineage. Bowlers may cash in both the Team and Optional Scratch Team events.
7. Full remittance must accompany Entry Blank. Entries will be scheduled as received NO EXCEPTIONS. Personal checks will be accepted for the entry fee, but if the check comprising such entry is found non-negotiable the entry is canceled and will be subject to a \$25.00 service fee.
8. The Greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association sponsors the annual Association Tournament and all members of the Greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association are eligible to enter. Non-members living within jurisdiction of the association, who are not members of another association, may enter by paying a membership fee of \$16.00
9. All bowlers entering the D/S events must bowl both Singles and Doubles. Bowlers may bowl Doubles and Singles only once. Singles will be bowled first.
10. Bowlers should read and be familiar with USBC rule #319 e that covers the re-rating of bowlers. Simply, this rule means that a bowler who consistently bowls a higher average in tournament play must report this fact to the tournament manager for possible re-rating of his average. 319d is waived; therefore tournament prize winnings need not be reported.
11. No tournament participant may practice on tournament lanes within one hour prior to squad time.
12. No line-up changes other than substitutions after the close of entries.
13. No pacers will be allowed.
14. The GCVUSBC Board of Directors shall decide any disputes not covered by the local association tournament rules, and their decision shall be final, unless their decision has been appealed to USBC. The decision of USBC is final and binding on all involved parties.

2004 PRIZE LIST		2005 PRIZE LIST		2006 PRIZE LIST		2007 PRIZE LIST		2008 PRIZE LIST	
133 Teams	\$3444.75	126 Teams	\$4132.00			115 Teams	\$3884.00	113 Teams	\$3597.00
184 Doubles	1760.00	162 Doubles	2007.00	Hosted		138 Doubles	1875.00	149 doubles	1894.00
368 Singles	1760.00	324 Singles	2007.00	Open		276 Singles	1875.00	298 Singles	1894.00
324 All Events	743.01	260 All Events	618.01	State		236 All Events	472.00	266 All Events	532.00
139 Jackpot	<u>373.00</u>	110 Jackpot	<u>318.50</u>			86 Jackpot	<u>172.00</u>	86 Jackpot	<u>172.00</u>
	<u>\$8080.01</u>		<u>\$9073.00</u>				<u>\$8278.00</u>		<u>\$8589.00</u>