



# 10th Annual Mid-Maryland USBC Open Championship Tournament

## March 9, March 10, March 16, March 17, 2024

<b>Prize Ratio at least 1:5</b> Handicap Scratch -Optional Prize Fund \$12.50 \$10.00 per event Lineage \$10.50 Expenses \$ 2.00 Total per event \$25.00 \$10.00	<b>Thunderhead Bowl</b> 4337 Old Taneytown Rd Taneytown, MD 21787 410-751-1750  Entries close March 2, 2024 Handicap – 90% of 230	<b>USBC Certified</b> Optional All-Events Handicap \$ 5 Optional All-Events Scratch \$10
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SQUAD TIMES	Saturday, March 9	Sunday, March 10	Saturday, March 16	Sunday, March 17
DOUBLES & SINGLES	12:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/>	9:00 am <input type="checkbox"/>	12:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/>	9:00 am <input type="checkbox"/>
TEAM	-----	1:00 pm <input type="checkbox"/>		1:00 pm <input type="checkbox"/>

**Tournament Director reserves the right to assign another time if requested time is not available.**

<b>TEAM NAME:</b>		<b>Multiple Entries Allowed, See Rule #5</b>		
Give bowler's full name as it appears on USBC card and list order in which they will bowl.				All Events
#	USBC ID	Name	2022-23 Avg	HDCP SCR
1				
2				
3				
4				

<b>DOUBLES &amp; SINGLES</b>		Bowlers must bowl both Doubles and Singles	<b>Multiple Entries Allowed, See Rule #5</b>	
#	USBC ID	Name	2022-23 Avg	
1				
2				
1				
2				

Bowler	Hdcp Team (\$100 \$25/bowler)	Scr Team (\$40 \$10/bowler)	Hdcp Dbls (\$25 \$50/bowler)	Scr Dbls (\$20, \$10/bowler)	Hdcp Sngls (\$25)	Scr Sngls (\$10)	A/E Hdcp (\$5)	A/E Scr (\$10)	Total
1									
2									
3									
4									

\*\*Mid-Maryland USBC Bowling Centers are - Terrace Lanes, Thunderhead Bowl, Greenmount Bowl

\*\* Bowler must be a Mid-Maryland USBC Member (2) weeks prior to the tournament start 04/01/2023 (Cost - \$9.00 Local, \$1.00 State if you are not a Mid-Maryland Member please include fee with entry form. (Mid-Md USBC Centers – Thunderhead Bowl & Greenmount Bowl)

<b>Total Enclosed</b>	
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Team Captain

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Street Address or PO Box

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City, State, Zip

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Phone

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E-mail (for entry confirmation)

Make checks or money orders payable:  
**Mid-Maryland USBC (or MMUSBC)**

Mail fees and entry forms to: **Mid-Maryland USBC,**  
**4755 Catholic Church Rd**  
**Knoxville, MD 21758**

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**Please make a copy for your records.**

## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Maryland USBC Open Championship Rules

1. Entry will be open to members of the Mid-Maryland USBC. **Bowlers must be an Association member (1) weeks prior to the tournament start (March 2, 2024).** Failure to meet these criteria shall be cause for disqualification and forfeiture of all entry fees and any prize or awards.
2. Handicap shall be 90% of 230
3. Average Requirement
  - a. Entrant shall use their highest certified Mid-Maryland USBC average established in any USBC certified league from the previous winter season 2022-2023 based on 21 games or more. If no Mid-Maryland USBC average, then highest USBC certified average from the previous winter season 2022-2023 based on 21 games or more
  - b. USBC rule 319a-1 (summer average) will apply only if no certified winter average is available.
  - c. If an entrant has no previous season certified USBC average, they must use their highest current USBC certified average for 21 games or more from any Association per USBC Rule 319a-1. In addition, entrant must furnish a league standing sheet with written verification from their league secretary as of March 2, 2024.
  - d. If none of the above applies, entrant must use an average of 230 with no handicap.
  - e. Average verification request must be submitted with registration form; if not received by then, entrant shall use an average of 230 with no handicap.
  - f. USBC rules 319a- 2 (10 pin up rule) and 319e will not apply.
4. The entry fees will be \$25 per person, per event; broken down: \$10.50 lineage, \$12.50 prize fund and \$2.00 expense fee for Handicap. The entry fees will be \$10 per person, per event for Scratch. There are two optional entry fees for all events – handicapped \$5 and scratch \$10. **All entry forms and full fees must be submitted to the tournament director by March 2, 2024** If tournament registration has not reached capacity, registration deadline may be extended to permit walk-ins.
5. Each team shall consist of four bowlers. Participation shall be in accordance with the following rules: a) No more than two players can compete on the same team more than once; b) Entrants may bowl multiple times in the Doubles & Singles events and must bowl in both events. You must change doubles partners for each entry; c) Doubles will be bowled first, and then singles; d) a bowler's first team and first doubles/singles event scores will count for All-Events; e) Members of the PBA are limited to two members on a four person team and one member on a doubles team.
6. Team captains may begin to check in their team 30 minutes before scheduled time to bowl and shall present USBC membership cards for each member of their team. Doubles and singles entrants shall check in together and present their USBC membership cards. Lane assignments will be provided at time of check-in.
7. The tournament director must be advised of substitutions at least one hour prior to scheduled time of bowling. Any bowler arriving after the game has started will be allowed to bowl but her score will count beginning in the frame s/he enters the game. A score of zero (0) will be given for frames missed. A substitute will not be required to reimburse the original entrant with the entry fee paid, nor shall the substitute be expected to give the original entrant any prize money or trophy s/he may win. All events entry fee may be transferred to substitutes if a substitute bowls all three events for the same person and the original entrant has paid the all events fee(s).
8. In the case of disability after the game has started, a substitute shall be allowed in the team and doubles events only. The combined scores are to count in either of these events. If no substitute is available, only the actual score of the frames bowled shall count. Scores bowled through the efforts of more than one individual shall not qualify for any USBC or tournament individual award nor shall the score be included in the all events total.
9. Cash prizes in the tournament will be awarded in each of the events for Scratch and Handicap performances. Prize fund will be paid at a ratio of one for each five entries (1:5). In the case of a tie for first place in any event, co-champions will be declared.
10. A team or an individual can win both titles and the highest cash prize in each of the Handicap & Scratch - Team, Doubles and Singles events.
11. All Events prizes will be paid according to entries received at a ratio of one for each five entries (1:5).
12. The entrants whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the Mid-Maryland USBC, Inc. its officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought on by war, national emergency or causes relating thereto or resulting there from fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the Mid-Maryland USBC, Inc.
13. USBC Rules will prevail when not specifically covered in the above. The Tournament director in conjunction with the board of directors of the Mid-Maryland USBC will decide any questions not covered by USBC or these tournament rules. The board shall have power to hear and act on all protests arising from or under construction of the rules of the tournament.