

GREATER PORTLAND USBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **DATES:** March 12,13 and 14, 2010 at Tigard Bowl
2. Entries will be open to female members of the Greater Portland USBC.
3. **AVERAGES:** It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of her average whether originally submitted by the bowler, her team captain, or others. Failure to use the proper average or make corrections prior to or at the time of bowling shall disqualify the scores if the submitted average is lower than the actual average. If the average that is submitted is higher than the actual average, prize winnings will be based on the higher average. USBC rule 319a(2) is waived for this tournament.
 - (a) Entrants shall use their highest book average for the 2008-09 season provided they have bowled 21 games or more, even if bowled as a substitute.
 - (b) If entrant has no 2008-09 book average she shall use her highest 2009 certified summer average of 21 games or more.
 - (c) If neither (a) nor (b) applies, entrant shall use her highest average in a certified league of 21 games or more as of March 1, 2010.
 - (d) If entrant does not qualify under (a), (b), or (c), she shall use her highest current average in a certified league of 15 games or more at the time of her first tournament participation. Verification of average to be used must be submitted at first time of tournament participation.
 - (e) If none of the above applies an average of 220 will be used.
4. **ENTRANTS MUST CHECK IN 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO BOWLING.** Verification of time scheduled to bowl shall be mailed to the team captain. It will be the team captain's responsibility to notify her teammates of the scheduled times.
5. **TOURNAMENT WILL BE HANDICAPPED IN THREE DIVISIONS AS FOLLOWS:**

	<u>4 player TEAM</u>	<u>DOUBLES</u>	<u>SINGLES</u>
	90% of 900	90% of 450	90% of 225
Division 1	700 & up	350 & up	175 & up
Division 2	600-699	300 - 349	150 - 174
Division 3	599 & under	299 & under	149 & under

Prize ratio for all 3 divisions will be 1 for 6 entries.

THERE WILL BE A SCRATCH SINGLES EVENT!

(See # 16 below)

6. **4 PLAYER TEAM EVENT:** Teams will consist of four bowlers who will bowl three games on one pair of lanes. A bowler may participate in the team event again, providing no more than two members are the same on any 4 Player Team.
7. **DOUBLES AND SINGLES:** Are considered separate events for this tournament and will be bowled on any of the squad times: You may bowl doubles again provided you replace 1 person each time. It is not necessary to bowl doubles in order to bowl singles or vice versa.
8. **ALL EVENTS:** Is based on the FIRST team event bowled, added to your FIRST doubles and FIRST singles.
9. **SUBSTITUTIONS:** Allowed when a replacement is necessary. If possible, the Tournament Office should be advised of substitutions at least ONE HOUR before scheduled bowling time, with the exception of an emergency. If the average of the substitute changes the classification of the event, such event will be reclassified.
10. Any player or team arriving after the game has started will be allowed to bowl, and the score will count beginning in the frame then being bowled. A zero score will be given for the frames missed.
11. **ENTRANTS MUST BOWL IN THE ORDER THEY ARE LISTED ON THE ENTRY FORM.** A substitute shall take the place in the lineup of the original entrant. If an emergency arises in the team or doubles event, a substitute may enter the game after it has started, and the combined scores will be used. Handicap will be adjusted accordingly.
12. Awards shall be presented to the highest handicap scores in team, doubles, singles, and all events in all three divisions.
13. **TIES:** If there is a tie for first place in any event, Co-champions will be declared and first and second place money will be divided equally, and duplicate awards will be given.
14. The tournament director shall decide any questions not covered by the rules.
15. The entrants whose names appear herein or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the Greater Portland USBC, its officers and agents, shall be liable only to the extent of returning the entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling 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 from fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the Greater Portland USBC
16. **OPTIONAL SCRATCH SINGLES:** Score from your handicap singles event is used. This is not an additional 3 games Open to all averages but is only one division

ENTRIES OPEN JANUARY1, 2010 - CLOSE MARCH 14, 2010 AT 3:00 PM OR WHEN SQUAD IS FULL