



Holiday Classic Mixed Doubles No-Tap Rules

Rule 1: This USBC tournament is open to all members of the HAWAII USBC. Each bowler must be a member in good standings with the Hawaii USBC Association. Entrants may be asked to show their membership card or receipt verifying 2023-2024 membership card purchase.

****NOTE: Team captains checking in for the team must present a current USBC adult membership card for each bowler on the roster. If current membership cannot be verified, a membership card must be purchased (\$25) at the tournament site.**

Rule 2: All entries must be submitted by Thursday, November 24, 2023. Entry forms must be filled out completely.

Entry Fee: \$80.00 per team (\$40.00 per person). This is a mixed handicap no-tap tournament.

Table with 2 main columns: Event Fee Breakdown: Adult Division (\$40 per Bowler) and Event Fee Breakdown: Youth Division (\$40 per Bowler). Rows include Prize, Lineage, and Donation amounts.

Rule 3: FORMAT: The tournament shall consist of a total of three, NO-TAP, games bowled on the same pair of lanes.

Rule 4: Multiple participation will be allowed except for the Youth Division. Adult Division: Must have a new partner to be considered a new entry.

Rule 5: AVERAGES: Averages for the tournament shall be the highest certified average from the following sources:

- A. Highest USBC certified Standard Composite average based on 21 or more games from...
1) 2022 - 2023 season 2) 2021 - 2022 season 3) 2020 - 2021 season
B. For bowlers who only have sport or challenge averages the USBC adjustment scale will be used.
C. Highest completed certified league average of 21 games or more as of November 24, 2023.
D. Previous season's highest average from another association based on 21 games or more as verified on Bowl.com.
E. If none of the above applies, entrant will use a scratch entering average of 200.

The tournament committee reserves the right to re-rate any bowler entering this tournament. The adjustment scale is not considered a "re-rate". The purpose of the adjustment scale is to allow for a fair adjustment to what would be expected of the bowler on a standard condition.

Rule 6: Handicap will be based on 80% of 200, using USBC tournament calculation format.

Rule 7: No refunds will be made after entries have been received and dates assigned by the Tournament Director. Entry fees should be paid by cash, check, or money order. Make checks payable to "Hawaii USBC". FULL ENTRY FEES MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FORM. Any checks returned or not honored by a financial institution will be assessed a \$30.00 service handling fee.

Rule 8: Substitutes will be allowed if necessary. The Tournament Director should be advised of any substitutes at least one hour before the scheduled bowling time, if possible. Substitutions may be permitted after a game has started for the Team and Doubles Events. However, once a player is removed, they cannot return to bowl for the remainder of the event.



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- Rule 9: Entries will be scheduled according to requests, if possible, and in the order received. The Tournament Director, except for emergencies, will not change the schedule. The Tournament Director will assign lanes for each event. Each event will be bowled on one pair of lanes. The lineup will be the same as shown on the entry form.
- Rule 10: Any player or team arriving after the game has started will be allowed to bowl and the score(s) will count beginning in the frame that's being bowled. **NO SCORE WILL BE GIVEN FOR FRAMES MISSED, per USBC Rule 322a.**
- Rule 11: Any protest affecting eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the Tournament Director before the tournament prize distributions are made. Error in scoring must be reported to the Tournament Director within 24 hours.
- Rule 12: In the case of a tie in any event, winners will be declared Co-Champions. The prize monies for the tie will be divided equally. Trophies will also be awarded to the Co-Champions.
- Rule 13: Prizes will be paid for handicap scores with at least one (1) prize for every seven (7) entries. Prize checks will be mailed to the team captains within 30 days after the tournament has closed. The captains shall distribute the checks within 15 days after receipt. Youth winners will receive SMART Scholarships. An additional \$100.00 will be awarded to each youth place.
- **NOTE: PRIZE CHECKS MUST BE CASHED WITHIN 90 DAYS. CHECKS WILL NOT BE REISSUED. ***
- **NOTE: Rule 319d of the 2023/2024 Playing Rules will not apply for this tournament.**
- Rule 14: Food and beverages may be consumed in compliance with the respective bowling center's guidelines. Any bowler who appears to be or becomes, intoxicated, "under the influence", uses abusive language, obscene gestures, or who delays the normal process of the game shall be immediately removed from the tournament and the score will be zero (0) for any remaining frames of the game.
- Rule 15: **Bowlers are required to wear suitable attire.** Example of prohibited attire include, biker shorts, biker pants, leggings, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, shirts with inappropriate graphics/language, halter tops, bare midriiffs, spaghetti strap tops, workout attire, short-shorts*, short-skirts*, short-culottes*, bib overalls, torn jeans, cutoffs, etc.
- *The length of these items (shorts, skirts, culottes) must go beyond the fingertips when your arms are at rest along your sides.
- Rule 16: The use of an artificial hearing device (headphones, etc.) to listen to music or a broadcast is prohibited during competition.
- Rule 17: The tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the USBC rules governing local association tournaments and the USBC general playing rules in addition to the rules adopted by the association. The Board of Directors of the Hawaii USBC shall decide any questions not covered by these tournament rules.
- Rule 18: The Board of Directors of the Hawaii USBC Association shall have the authority to hear and act on disputes, complaints or protests relating to the tournament. The decision of the board is final except when an appeal is made to the USBC. The entrants, whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacements, hereby agree that the Hawaii USBC, 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 delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergency of causes relating thereto or resulting therefrom, fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the Hawaii USBC.

* Prize checks may be reissued at the discretion of the tournament management on a case-by-case basis.