

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. A participant in this tournament must be a member of the Greater Birmingham USBC, Inc. for the 2011-2012 season. Non GBUSBCA participants must pay applicable dues.

2. Multiple Participation in team event is permitted provided no more than three (3) players compete together more than once. An individual may participate only once in the singles, and twice in doubles, provided they change partners; and must enter in both if entered in either (USBC Rule 315). The highest score bowled in team and doubles will count toward the individual's All Events scores.

3. Handicap will be based on 90% of the individual average and 220 for each three game set.

4. Participants will use their highest GBUSBC, Inc. certified average based on minimum of 21 games for the 2010-2011 season. For participants without a previous GBUSBC, Inc. season average, verifiable GBUSBC Inc. summer league averages based on 21 games or more is acceptable. Those without a previous GBUSBC, Inc. 2010-2011 winter or summer league average may use their current GBUSBC, Inc. average as of January 2, 2012 based on 21 games or more. Bowlers with an average 10 pins or more higher as of January 2, 2012 must use that average. All others will bowl scratch. Any entry failing to comply with the above rules shall forfeit all claims to any prize money and/or return of their entry fee. The team captain signing the entry form shall be responsible for the correctness of all averages of their team members. The averages must be listed on the entry form. USBC Rule 319a-b will be strictly enforced. Tournament rerate committee reserves the right to rerate and amend any entry prior to bowling.

5. Rule 319(a)(3). It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average in handicap or classified tournament whether originally submitted by the bowler, the team captain, or others. Failure to use proper average or make correction prior to or up to completion of the first game bowled shall disqualify score is submitted average is lower than the actual average or base winnings on submitted average if it is higher.

Rule 319d. Any bowler who has qualified for a prize of \$600 or more cash or merchandise in any event in a tournament certified or non certified within the previous 12 month period, must report their actual score, position and the amount to the tournament manager prior to bowling first squad in handicap or classified tournament for possible re-rating. Failure to comply with either of these provisions shall be cause to forfeit entry fee and prize winnings. **BOWLERS SHOULD BE AWARE OF USBC RULE 319e.**

6. The total fee will be \$25.00 per bowler per event for team, singles and doubles, and \$5.00 for both handicap and/or scratch All Events (optional). * The prize fund portion will be dispersed with 100% per bowler per event to those placing in handicap division, excluding both scratch and handicap all events. Awards and USBC Championship Chevrons will be awarded winners in both handicap and scratch divisions of each event. The handicap team event, doubles and singles event prize will be awarded on a ratio of at least one (1) prize for each six (6) entries. All events prizes will be awarded on a ratio of at least (1) out of (10) ten entries, both scratch and handicap.

7. No change in the team line up will be permitted unless substitution is involved. If substitution is required, the only changes made will be that of the individuals involved and these changes shall be made at least one hour prior to scheduled time to bowl.

8. Proper fees must accompany entry or it will not be accepted. Checks covering entry fees shall be made payable to Greater Birmingham USBC, Inc. A \$35.00 fee will be charged for any NSF check and must be paid in cash prior to bowling your first event.

9. Singles and Doubles will normally be scheduled three (3) bowlers to a lane. Singles and Doubles will be bowled on the same squad with doubles being bowled first.

10. All entries must be submitted to the tournament manager via the address on front, postmarked on or before midnight January 9, 2012 and received by January 11, 2012.

11. Errors in scoring must be reported to the tournament manager for corrections within 24 hours after games have been bowled. Official scores will be taken from computer printout per USBC Rule 327a. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to initial their average as being correct on recap sheet.

12. Bowlers Tournament Equipment: Each bowler must have a bowling ball for their exclusive use. Only one ball per bowler allowed on the rack at any given time.

13. Student Participation: Unmarried grade and high school students who have attained the age of eighteen (18) must have a written consent of their parents or guardian in order to participate in any USBC certified league or tournament where cash or merchandise prizes are offered. Said written consent must be on file with the tournament manager at least one week before the bowler is eligible for league or tournament competition unless the student is accompanied by their parent or guardian in which case the parental consent form may be filed up to the time student is to bowl. (USBC Rule 13).

14. No Bowler shall be allowed to bowl with two teams scheduled to bowl on the same shift during this tournament.

15. Premature termination of the tournament brought about by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating thereto or therefrom, fire, natural disaster and any other reason beyond the control of the Greater Birmingham USBC, Inc. shall cause, to the extent required thereby, as advertised prizes, guaranteed or otherwise, to be prorated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled in each of the respective events up to the time of such termination.

16A. In accordance with USBC rule 18 the use of abrasives on surface of bowling ball during tournament play will result in disqualification and suspension of membership.

16B. In accordance with USBC Rule 12 the application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, such substance as talcum powder, pumice and resin on shoes, also soft rubber soles and heels that rub off on the approach.

17. Additional squads may be added during the course of the tournament; however, no squad may be added after final squad scheduled for 1:30 pm February 5, 2012.

18. All United States Congress rules regarding tournament play shall govern this tournament.

19. The Greater Birmingham USBC, Inc. will furnish a Free Team entry into the Alabama State USBC, Inc. Open for the following year to the winners of scratch and handicap team events. Bowlers must submit entry to state and then be re-imbursed the fee. Roster must remain the same.

* FIRST PLACE AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED AND PAID OUT OF THE TOURNAMENT EXPENSE FEE, NOT THE PRIZED FUND.

GREATER BIRMINGHAM USBC, Inc.

6TH ANNUAL CITY OPEN HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

CERTIFIED BY
UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS

TO BE HELD AT
VESTAVIA BOWL
VESTAVIA, AL
PHONE (205) 979-4420



TEAM EVENT
January 21 & 22, 2012
February 5, 2012

SINGLES & DOUBLES
January 28 & 29, 2012
February 4, 2012

**OPTIONAL SCRATCH TEAM,
DOUBLES AND SINGLES PRIZE FUND**

May bowl 2 sets of doubles
with highest set counting
toward all events.

Highest team score
counts toward all events.

ENTRY DEADLINE
ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT JANUARY 9, 2012
AND RECEIVED BY MIDNIGHT JANUARY 11, 2012

ENTRY FEE \$25.00 PER PERSON PER EVENT

PRIZE FEE (RETURNED 100%).....	\$12.00
BOWLING FEE.....	\$10.00
EXPENSE FEE.....	\$3.00
TOTAL ENTRY.....	\$25.00
ALL EVENTS HANDICAP.....	\$5.00
ALL EVENTS SCRATCH.....	\$5.00
OPTIONAL SCRATCH TEAM.....	\$25.00
OPTIONAL SCRATCH DOUBLES.....	\$10.00
OPTIONAL SCRATCH SINGLES.....	\$5.00

MAIL ENTRIES TO:
ASSOCIATION MANAGER

KIM CROMPTON
6332 TRACE WAY CIRCLE
TRUSSVILLE, AL 35173
KIMCROMPTON@HIWAAY.NET
PHONE: 205-655-8165

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO G.B.U.S.B.C., INC.

Any questions about this tournament, please call :
Association Manager --- Kim Crompton 205-655-8165

FOR ENTRY FORMS AND STANDINGS, YOU CAN VISIT OUR WEBSITE: <http://gbusbca.net/>

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TEAM NAME _____

TOURNAMENT USE ONLY
ENTRY # _____

TEAM EVENT

	Bowler Name	Bowlers National ID Number	Book or Current Average of 1/2/12) (as
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
ALT			

Bowling Establishment _____

IMPORTANT! To insure better scheduling, please send in both entries together. If bowlers on this team are bowling with a second team, please give the name of the other team below.

2nd Team _____

SATURDAY SQUAD TIMES
JANUARY, 21
9:00AM - 1:30 PM

SUNDAY SQUAD TIMES
JANUARY, 22 FEBRUARY, 5
9:00AM - 1:30 PM

TEAM EVENT				
Date Choice	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____	
Time Choice	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____	

SINGLES & DOUBLES

NOTE: A Bowler Entering Singles or Doubles Must Enter Both Events

DOUBLES ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETE-TWO, FOUR OR SIX BOWLERS. If your fifth bowler is paired with a bowler from another team, enter BOTH on this entry form OR BOTH on the entry form on the other team. DO NOT SPLIT ON EACH ENTRY FORM.

BOWLER NAME	BOWLERS ID #	Avg. As of 1-1-12 or Book Avg.	Team Hdcp	Optional Team Scratch	Singles	Optional Singles Scratch	Doubles	Optional Doubles Scratch	All Events Hdcp	All Events Scratch	Total
			\$125.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	
1			↓	↓							
1							X				
2								X			
2								X			
3			Team Fee Below	Team Fee Below				X			
3								X			
TOTALS											

If fifth bowler is paired with a bowler from another team entered in this tournament please fill in the following.
Name of OTHER TEAM _____

SATURDAY SQUAD TIMES
JANUARY 28 FEBRUARY 4
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

SUNDAY SQUAD TIMES
JANUARY 29
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

In the capacity of Team Captain, I hereby enter the above named bowlers in the events indicated and all agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the USBC, Inc.

(Please print Names and Address)

Signature of _____
 TEAM CAPTAIN _____
 Name _____
 Home Address _____
 City and State _____
 Telephone _____ Zip _____
 Email _____

SINGLES AND DOUBLES EVENT				
DATE CHOICE	1st _____	2ND _____	3RD _____	
TIME CHOICE	1st _____	2ND _____	3RD _____	

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Amount Remitted	Entry #