

**Michigan State USBC
116th Annual
Open Championship Tournament**

Dedicated To
MARK MARTIN



**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM
FLINT, MICHIGAN**



Michigan State USBC BA Hall of Fame
Metro Detroit Hall of Fame
Director—USBC
Association Manager—Metro Detroit USBC

TEAM, DOUBLES AND SINGLES

GRAND BLANC LANES

5301 S. Saginaw
Flint MI 48507

TOURNAMENT OPENS January 12, 2019

CLOSES May 12, 2019 (unless extended)

CLOSING DATES FOR ENTRIES

Reserved Dates: November 1, 2018 — All Others: December 1, 2018

**** Late entries may be accepted on a space available basis at an additional cost of \$5 per person ****

Call the state office at 616/635-2032 for information and availability—**NO WALK-INS**

Late entries with fees must be received in the state office no later than NOON on the Tuesday prior to the date scheduled to bowl.



~ Handicap Competition in the Following Average Divisions ~

Division 1: Team: 925 and above Doubles: 370 and above Singles & All Events: 185 and above
Division 2: Team: 924 and below Doubles: 369 and below Singles & All Events: 184 and below

State Champions shall be declared in each event, each division

Optional Scratch Available in Team, Doubles, Singles and All-Events

Mail Entries with Full Fees To:
Michigan State USBC

Attention: Association Manager
P.O. Box 217— Grandville MI 49468-0217

Website: michiganstateusbc.com - **Email:** MichiganStateUSBC@comcast.net

Phone: (616) 635-2032 for Reservations

Note: credit card use is also available—(3% fee and email address is required)

Dates and Times are assigned on a first come-first serve basis as completed entry forms and correct fees are received

2019 Tournament Rules and Regulations – Open Championship

Keep these rules – return only entry application

1. ELIGIBILITY:

Tournament is open to all Michigan State USBC Adult members. Those who are not members may establish eligibility by paying all applicable dues. Refer to USBC Rule 300c. Current membership cards must be available for presentation at check-in.

Unmarried grade or high school students who have not attained the age of 18 must furnish written consent signed by their parent or guardian per USBC Rule 13. (Signing this form will violate MHSAA rules and disqualify bowler from all high school sports).

2. PARTICIPATION:

Bowlers may participate in the TEAM event multiple times, subject to the following conditions: A team may bowl the Team event multiple times but must change 2 players each time in the lineup. The bowlers first team score will be used for all-events.

Bowlers may participate in DOUBLES & SINGLES TWICE subject to the following conditions: You must change partners to bowl doubles a second time. Persons entering doubles MUST enter singles and vice versa and these events will be bowled consecutively. **Exception: If bowling a second doubles, will not be required to bowl singles. (Please note on entry).** The first doubles and the first singles scores will be used for the bowlers all-events score. You may cash only once in the singles event. PLEASE LIST SECOND DOUBLES & SINGLES ON A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM.

3. AVERAGES:

- Use Michigan State USBC Tournament average based on a minimum of eighteen (18) games over the last four (4) years, if you have 24 or more games, the average will be calculated by removing the 3 high games and low 3 games, then averaging the remaining. The State Tournament average may be found on the Michigan State USBC website (michiganstateusbc.com).
- If no tournament average, use the highest average from the 2017-18 season based on a minimum of 21 games. Bowl.com average will be recognized as official.
- If neither of these averages applies, use your highest current average from a USBC certified league as of the date of participation based on a minimum of twenty-one (21) games. (Individual Record sheet must be provided).
- If a, b, or c do not apply, entrant shall bowl scratch – 230
- USBC Rule 319 applies to this tournament. Please review in its entirety regarding average adjustment. Rule 319a-2 (10 pin rule) does not apply.
- Any bowler who has ONLY A USBC SPORT/CHALLENGE LEAGUE AVERAGE will use the highest of the two (their adjusted Sport/Challenge Bowling league average versus tournament average). Bowlers who have been rerated by USBC will use their highest average (rerate, tournament or league) whichever average is highest.
- The delivery used in this tournament must be the same as that used when the average was established.
- An entrant requesting average relief, due to injury or disability, for entry into this tournament, must be approved by USBC Headquarters in accordance with USBC Rule 4e.

4. AVERAGE VERIFICATION:

Each entrant is responsible for the accuracy of their average whether submitted by captain or others. Correction of an average must be made by the end of the first game of any event. Falsification of an average will result in disqualification if submitted average is lower than correct average. If submitted average is higher than correct average, prize winnings will be based on submitted average. Tournament management reserves the right to correct any averages and adjust final tournament standings accordingly.

5. PRIZES & AWARDS:

Prize fees will be returned 100% in prizes. Team, D&S Handicap prizes will be awarded on a basis of at least one (1) prize for each five (5) entries and All Events at least one (1) in ten (10). Optional scratch will be awarded on a basis of at least one (1) in ten (10) entries.

6. SUBSTITUTES:

- An entrant may be allowed to bowl as a substitute an unlimited number of times team and doubles. First time participation only will count towards the All-Events score. A substitute shall take the place of the original entrant in the lineup. **No changes in the line-up (in any event) will be permitted.**
- A substitute will not be required to reimburse the entry fee nor give the original entrant any prize money or awards.
- A substitute's average may change the division.
- Captains must provide verification of averages for substitutes as required in Rule #3 (properly signed affidavits and records when required) mailed to the state office at least two weeks prior to date scheduled to bowl or at least two (2) hours prior to bowling time.
- In case of emergency/disability after team or doubles events has started, a substitute will be permitted if available. Combined scores to count and player subbed out cannot return. If no sub is available, only frames bowled will count.
- Paid all-events are not transferable unless the substitute replaces the original entrant in all three events and the transfer is made by a tournament official prior to the time of substitute's participation in any event.

7. CLASSIFIED DIVISIONS:

Division 1 - Team - 925 and above

Division 1 - Doubles - 370 and above

Division 1 - Singles & All-Events - 185 and above

Division 2 - Team - 924 and below

Division 2 - Doubles - 369 and below

Division 2 - Singles & All-Events - 184 and below

HANDICAP: Ninety percent (90%) of two hundred and thirty (230) game average per participant for all divisions and events.

8. ENTRY CLOSING DATE:

Entries close December 1, 2018. Late entries may be accepted on a space available basis at an additional cost of \$5 per person. **NO WALKINS.** **Late entries with fees must be received in the state office no later than NOON on the Tuesday prior to the date scheduled to bowl.**

9. CANCELLATIONS:

Requests for cancellations once confirmations have been sent, must be made in writing within 15 days of the date of the confirmation letter. Requests for cancellations received after the 15 days will be assessed a \$50 service fee. **No refunds after the start of the tournament (USBC rule 314)**

10. FOR THOSE WITH RESERVATIONS: ENTRY MUST BE POSTMARKED BY THURSDAY November 1, 2018 OR SPOTS MAY BE FORFEITED. To guarantee spots, a fee of \$100 per team (non-refundable if not cancelled within 3 days of receipt in office) must be paid by November 1st. with the balance of all fees paid in full no later than 45 days prior to date of competition.

11. DRESS CODE: Members of the Board of Directors of The Michigan State USBC request that all bowlers wear suitable attire when participating in the Tournament: Slacks or walking shorts to the knee and bowling shirts with collars are preferred. UNSUITABLE ATTIRE: Tank tops, Workout Attire (e.g. - Spandex, Sweat pants), Short Shorts, SKIRTS, Bib Overalls, Torn or Unclean Jeans, Shirts or T-shirts with offensive language/pictures. Hats will be allowed this year. Baseball caps must be worn with bill forward, not backward or cocked. Entrants will be requested to change to suitable attire. Entrants who refuse to wear suitable attire will not be allowed to bowl. Tournament management reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone deemed to be inappropriately attired without recourse. Attire needed for medical reasons must be discussed with Tournament management prior to participating in the Tournament.

12. Tournament management has the discretion to disqualify any participant for unsportsmanlike conduct or unruly behavior (physical or verbal abuse of equipment and/or other participants and/or for intoxication). See USBC Rule 303

13. PROTEST:

Protests involving eligibility or playing rules must be filed in accordance with Rule 329. In case of scoring errors, they should be reported immediately upon discovery.

14. In order for us to stay on schedule we will monitor squad times. For the team event the expected time is (3) hours and ten (10) minutes. For doubles/singles the expected time for 3 bowlers on a lane is three (3) hours and thirty (30) minutes.

ANY RULES NOT COVERED BY THE ABOVE; SUCH AS LATE BOWLERS, LOST SCORES, FOREIGN SUBSTANCE & EQUIPMENT; WILL BE COVERED BY THE USBC RULE BOOK.

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Team Captain: _____ Phone: ____/____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

(Prize checks will be mailed to the above contact address for all winners on this entry)

Email: _____

(Confirmations will be sent to this email)

Entrants are members of what Local Association: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Amount Paid:	Entry #:
Date Received:	
Team	Doubles/Singles
Squad:	Squad:
Date:	
Time:	

TOURNAMENT DATES/TIMES

- January: 12-13, 19-20, 26-27
- February: 9-10, 16-17, 23-24
- March: 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, 30-31
- April: 6-7, 13-14, 27-28
- May: 4-5, 11-12

SQUAD TIMES:

- Team: _____ Doubles/Singles: _____
 - Saturdays: 10 am & 2 pm Saturdays: 8:30 am, 1 pm & 6 pm
 - Sundays: 9 am & 1 pm Sundays: 8:30 am & 1 pm
- All squads are subject to cancellation pending number of entries.*

List 3 choices of Dates/Times:

Is this a reserved date: Yes _____ No _____

Reservation Name: _____

	Team	D/S
1 st Choice:	_____	_____
2 nd Choice:	_____	_____
3 rd Choice:	_____	_____

Choices will be honored ONLY if available

TEAM EVENT: *Teams wishing same dates and times **MUST** send in the same envelope*

Team Name: _____ We wish to cross with: _____

Optional Scratch: Yes: _____ No _____ To enter Team Scratch – All team members must enter

List Names as they appear on USBC Membership card – No NICKNAMES No change of Lineup at Tournament check-in – Substitute must take place of the original entrant				
USBC #	Name	Address	City/Zip	Average*
	1.			
	2.			
	3.			
	4.			
	5.			

***See tournament rules for entering average requirements**

DOUBLES/SINGLES EVENT: *NO ½ PAIRS (bowlers not listed above – list on back)*

List Doubles on one entry only- **No change in lineup at Tournament Check-in** – Substitute must take place of original entrant

USBC #	Name	Average*	Doubles Scratch Y/N	Singles Scratch Y/N	AE Handicap Y/N	AE Scratch Y/N
	1.					
	2.					
	1.					
	2.					
	1.					
	2.					

IF BOWLING DOUBLES AND SINGLES ONLY (no team event) – please complete this section/otherwise DO NOT complete
 List Names as they appear on USBC Membership card – **No NICKNAMES**

USBC #	Name	Address	City/Zip	Average*
	1.			
	2.			
	3.			
	4.			

ENTRY FEE CALCULATIONS	
Team _____ @ \$125 per team	\$ _____
Doubles _____ @ \$50 per pair	\$ _____
Singles _____ @ \$25 each	\$ _____
All Events Hdcp _____ @ \$5 each	\$ _____
OPTIONAL SCRATCH EVENTS	
Team _____ @ \$50 per team	\$ _____
Doubles _____ @ \$20 per pair	\$ _____
Singles _____ @ \$10 per person	\$ _____
All Events Scratch _____ @ \$10 per person	\$ _____
TOTAL FEES THIS ENTRY	\$ _____

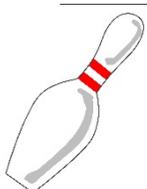
Entry Fee Breakdown:	
Prize Fee.....	\$10.00
Lineage	\$ 7.95
Expense Fee	\$ 7.05
Total Per Person per Event	\$25.00
Optional All Event Fee.....	\$ 10.00
Optional Scratch Events/ Per Person/Per Event.....	\$10.00
Prize Ratio is 1 in 5 entries Team, Doubles, Singles
Prize Ratio is 1 in 10	All Events
Prize Ratio is 1 in 10	All Optional Scratch Events

Please Note: ALL participants must be ADULT SANCTIONED

*Youth Bowlers or Bowlers Under the Age of 18
 Please be aware that participating in this
 tournament **will** violate both MHSAA & USBC
 eligibility rules.*

Mail completed entry forms with full fees (money order or certified check preferred). Make Checks payable to: Michigan State USBC
 Personal checks that do not clear are subject to a \$30 NSF fee.
 Optional Payment Method: Credit cards will be accepted for full entry fees and will incur a 3% service charge.
Must have email address. – Call the office to be invoiced (616/635-2032)

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Please list participants to be considered for recognition in the squad announcements (example: Last year's Champion, State Hall of Fame)

Name: _____
 Accomplishment: _____

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For additional names—please attach a note.

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Special Requests:

IMPORTANT – Please read

Squad announcements and practice will begin 20 minutes prior to Squad time – so bowlers need to be checked-in and on their lanes 20 minutes prior to listed squad time. There will be fresh oil for every squad. Squad times will be monitored – Team event should be completed in no more than 3 hours and ten minutes and Doubles/Singles should be completed in no more than 3 ½ hours.