

2012 Open Championships

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM – 7th ANNUAL

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Hosted by:

Southern L.A. County USBC Association

Open to all certified adult members of the California USBC Association

April 21 – June 24, 2012

Estimated Prize Fund from Entries is \$102,000. Based on 2,800 participants.

**4 Person
Teams**

TEAM EVENT:

Keystone Lanes

11459 Imperial Hwy
Norwalk, CA 90650
(562) 868-3261

Team Event Squad Times:

Saturday: 12:15pm & 4:15pm
Sunday: 9am & 1pm

DOUBLES & SINGLES:

Cal Bowl

2500 E. Carson St.
Lakewood, CA 90712
(562) 421-8448

Doubles/Singles Event

Squad Times:

Saturday: 8am, 12pm & 4pm
Sunday: 8am, 12pm & 4pm

	Team	Doubles	Singles	All-Events
Lineage	\$10.50	\$10.50	\$10.50	
Prize Fund	8.75	8.75	8.75	10.00
Expenses	10.75	10.75	10.75	
	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$10.00

*\$100 per bowler to enter all handicapped events.
Scratch division is optional per event.*

ENTRIES CLOSE:

February 1, 2012

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Squad Dates:

April 21-22
May 5-6
May 12-13
May 19-20
May 26-27
June 2-3
June 16-17*
June 23-24

**Father's Day*

MAIL ENTRY & PAYMENT TO:

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Tournament Opens:

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Opening Ceremonies:

TEAM CENTER
Keystone Lanes
April 21, 2012 at 12pm

Handicap:

80% of 230

*Optional Scratch Division
available for all four events!*

★ *Prize Money based on
1:8 for Team, Doubles &
Singles; All-Events Awards
based on 1:10.*

★ *USBC Certified*

Entry Fees:

\$30 Per Person/Per Event
\$10 Per Person for All-Events
\$5 For Optional Scratch Event

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Team Squad Times (Keystone):

Sat: 12:15pm & 4:15pm
Sun: 9am & 1pm

D/S Squad Times (Cal Bowl):

Sat: 8am, 12pm & 4pm
Sun: 8am, 12pm & 4pm

OFFICE USE ONLY	ENTRY # _____		
	COST PER BOWLER PER EVENT \$30.00		
DATES SCHEDULED			
	SQUAD #	DATE	TIMES
TEAM			
DBLS/SGLS			
Please make checks payable to: CUSBC		Total \$ _____	
There are no refunds after the entry closing date and entries are scheduled, unless CUSBC is notified in writing within 15 days of the schedule notice mailing date, that the date and time assigned is not acceptable			

ENTRIES ARE SCHEDULED AS RECEIVED WITH FULL PAYMENT.

Preferred TEAM Dates/Times:	Preferred DOUBLES/SINGLES Dates/Times:	If preferred dates are unavailable, we can bowl any time EXCEPT the following Dates/Times:	<input type="checkbox"/> TIME is more important than date <input type="checkbox"/> ALL nine (9) games are to be bowled in <u>ONE</u> day. <input type="checkbox"/> DATE is more important than time. <input type="checkbox"/> TEAM and D/S are to be bowled in <u>TWO</u> different weekends. <input type="checkbox"/> TEAMS are PRE-REGISTERED.
1. _____	1. _____	1. _____	
2. _____	2. _____	2. _____	
3. _____	3. _____	3. _____	
4. _____	4. _____		

TEAM NAME (required) _____ *(Suggestive Team Names will be changed)*

Team Captain _____	Local Association _____
Address _____	Membership # _____
City _____ Zip _____	Cell Phone (_____) _____
E-mail _____	Evening Phone (_____) _____

TEAM EVENT: \$120. LIST IN ORDER OF BOWLING – Line-up will not be re-arranged. PRINT LEGIBLY.					Highest 2010-11 Avg	Highest Avg as of 1/1/12	Highest Current Avg
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	USBC #	ASSOCIATION	ALL-EVENTS			
1				<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Hdcp <input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Opt. Scr.			
2				<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Hdcp <input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Opt. Scr.			
3				<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Hdcp <input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Opt. Scr.			
4				<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Hdcp <input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Opt. Scr.			
\$100 PER BOWLER TO ENTER ALL HANDICAPPED EVENTS. SCRATCH DIVISION IS OPTIONAL PER EVENT. SOLE AVERAGES THAT ARE "SPORT" MUST BE MARKED WITH "SP".					<input type="checkbox"/> OPTIONAL SCRATCH TEAM – \$20 TOTAL		

DOUBLES/SINGLES EVENT: \$120 (\$30 per person/per event). LIST IN ORDER OF BOWLING – Line-up will not be re-arranged. PRINT LEGIBLY.			
D/S Pair #1 – Full Name (LEAD-OFF)	AVG	D/S Pair #2 – Full Name (LEAD-OFF)	AVG
D/S Pair #1 – Full Name (ANCHOR)	AVG	D/S Pair #2 – Full Name (ANCHOR)	AVG
<input type="checkbox"/> OPTIONAL SCRATCH D/S PAIR \$20		<input type="checkbox"/> OPTIONAL SCRATCH D/S PAIR \$20	
If a bowler is paired with a bowler from another team, list team name and date scheduled. Team Name: _____ Scheduled: _____			
This Entrant is not on a team. <i>Fill in below for bowler competing in Doubles and Singles Only.</i> Name _____ Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Local USBC Association _____ Average _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Highest as of 2010-11 <input type="checkbox"/> Highest Current <input type="checkbox"/> Highest as of 1/1/12 <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch All Events Paid? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			

TO THE CALIFORNIA USBC, Tournament Director:

By signature of our Team Captain, acting as our agent, we hereby make application and tender our fees to participate in the CUSBC Championships. We agree to abide by all the rules, regulations and provisions as prescribed by the CUSBC, and we further agree, that in the event circumstances beyond the control of the CUSBC shall arise before or during the scheduled tournament, thereby causing a cancellation, postponement or suspension of the tournament in part or in its entirety, the CUSBC shall not be held liable for the payment of awards. Entrants who have bowled, will be refunded that portion of the fees allocated to the prize fund based upon the number who participated in each event, each division. Entrants not having bowled will be refunded fees allocated to prize fund, lineage and expense.

Signature of Team Captain _____

PHOTOCOPY FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS BEFORE SUBMITTING.

RULES FOR THE 2012 CALIFORNIA USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (www.CalUSBC.com)

The California USBC Open Championships Tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress. The tournament shall be governed by the following rules and all other USBC rules pertaining to certified competition.

ELIGIBILITY

- All members of USBC certified California Associations are eligible to participate. All entrants must be current members prior to the date of tournament participation. NO CARDS WILL BE SOLD ON-SITE BY CUSBC.**
- Participants are required to show their current USBC membership card (or a letter from the local Association Manager) at the time of check-in.** Entrants failing to present current membership will receive a **Verification Form** which must be returned to the CUSBC office (preferably by certified mail with a return receipt) no later than ten (10) days following participation in the tournament. Failure to return the verification form within the designated time shall result in the disqualification of the bowler's scores.
- Minors under the age of 18 must have written consent from a parent or guardian in order to participate. Such consent must be on file with the tournament director before participation.
- PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED:** Handicapped bowlers requiring aids such as crutches, canes, wheelchairs, etc., or who are blind must report this in writing when entry is submitted so that special schedule consideration can be arranged. Similar additional notice must be given if such a handicapped bowler is to be used as a replacement.
- Any person who bowls under an assumed name, under the name of another person scheduled to bowl in the tournament, or who is under suspension from USBC membership shall be disqualified. The individual shall forfeit their entry fee, all prize monies and be subject to suspension from USBC membership.

PARTICIPATION

- The team captain is responsible for the lineup and conduct of the team in tournament play. Team captain must report changes in their mailing address. Prize checks will be mailed to the captain's addresses listed on the entry.
- Participants in the doubles and singles events shall be limited to one entry only and both events must be entered. Team event may be bowled twice per Rule 20 with at least two different players changed in the line-up. The first team appearance counts toward the all-events total. No partial teams accepted.
- Participation in the all-events division is optional. Team captains and individual bowlers share responsibility for cross reference information if an entrant bowls team event on one entry and doubles and singles on another entry.
- ENTRY CLOSING DATE:** February 1, 2012 unless all squads are filled sooner. Entries must be accompanied by a check made payable to **CUSBC**. Write "Open Championships" in memo. Any returned checks must be paid in cash or money order on-site plus a \$25 penalty fee. There are **no refunds** after the entry closing date and entries are scheduled, unless CUSBC is notified in writing within 15 days of the schedule notice mailing date, that the date and time assigned is not acceptable.

AVERAGES AND HANDICAP

- The tournament shall be operated on a handicap basis and shall be computed on the basis of 80% of the difference between the combined averages of the participants and 920 for team, 460 for doubles and 230 for singles. The events shall consist of four (4) person teams; two (2) person (doubles) team; individual (singles); and optional all-events.
- The individual entering average shall be determined by the following priorities:**
 - Highest certified league average (minimum of 21 games) for the 2010-11 season (winter and summer leagues included). If none,**
 - Highest certified 2010-11 league average (minimum of 21 games) as of January 1, 2012 (USBC Association Manager verification must be provided). If none,**
 - Highest current certified league average (minimum of 21 games) as of the date of tournament participation (USBC Association Manager verification must be provided). If none,**
 - 230 scratch.**

Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own averages. Any falsification of the highest known average will result in immediate and final disqualification. If a certified "sport" league average is the bowler's only average, it should be marked with with an "SP" in the average box on the Entry Form and will be adjusted per the chart in the USBC Rulebook to determine the correct entering average.

- If the highest current (2011-12) certified league average (21 or more games) as of the tournament date is 10 pins or more higher than the verified average, as determined under Rule 11, the higher average will be used. If the higher current average is not reported, bowler's scores WILL be disqualified.**

- Averages must be received and verified no later than ten (10) days following participation in the tournament.

AVERAGE RE-RATE AND ADJUSTMENT REPORTING PRIZE WINNINGS

- It is bowler's responsibility to report if they have ever been subjected to an adjusted or re-rated average or refused an adjusted or re-rated average prior to bowling in an event. Any bowler who has been re-rated must use the re-rated average if higher than the official entering average as described in Rule 11. A bowler must report any re-rate or adjustment made in any tournament. Not doing so will result in disqualification. **USBC Rule 319c will apply.**
- All entrants who have qualified for a cash and/or merchandise prize of \$600 or more in the position standings prize list in any event in a tournament, including all-events, special features, special prizes and donated prizes within 12 months prior to entry, must give tournament management the following information at the time of entry for possible re-rating: the name of each tournament in which the bowler has been paid such a prize, or if not yet paid, in which the bowler has qualified for the prize; the amount of the prize; the actual score bowled to qualify for the prize; and the prize position. Failure to comply with these provisions is cause for disqualification and loss of entry fee.

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LINE-UPS, REPLACEMENTS

16. Bowlers must check-in at least one hour prior to their scheduled squad with their current USBC membership card.
17. Team and doubles lineups shall be listed on the entry form in the order participants will bowl. If a change in a team or doubles lineup is desired, it must be requested at least 72 hours before the time the entrants are scheduled to bowl.
18. The California USBC assumes no responsibility to provide replacements. Replacements for original entrants may be made providing the replacement meets eligibility and average requirements and must take the place in the line up of the original entrant. A replacement must bowl under their own name at the time the event is scheduled.
19. Team captains shall be responsible for filing a Replacement Form in the tournament office at least one hour prior to the time the entrant(s) are scheduled to bowl.
20. An eligible member who has already bowled their original team event may be a one-time replacement for team event only. If a replacement is not available, those present shall bowl for their all-events.
21. An all-events entry may be transferred if the transfer is made before either of the bowlers involved have participated in any event of the tournament. The all-events fee must be paid before the closing date for entries.

TARDY PLAYERS, DELAY OF GAME, INTERRUPTED GAME

22. Bowlers arriving late shall begin play and the score shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Frames may not be made-up. Bowlers not present to bowl when it's their turn will be credited with a zero for that frame.
23. If equipment failure on a pair of lanes would delay the progress of the series, a tournament official can authorize the completion of a game and series on another pair of certified lanes. The interrupted game and series must be resumed from the point of interruption. No practice will be allowed after being moved. USBC Rule 321 will be waived.
24. A game or frame(s) within a game that is irretrievably lost in the scoring process may be re-bowled with the approval of tournament management.

EQUIPMENT, CONDUCT, DRESS

25. **Practice is prohibited** in both tournament centers on the weekend of competition.
26. Bowling balls may be checked for hardness, weight, and balance at the discretion of a tournament official. Any bowling ball that does not meet USBC specifications will subject the bowler to disqualification of all tournament scores.
27. Any use of abrasives, chemical, solvents or other methods to alter the surface of a bowling ball is prohibited after competition has begun. Any ball so altered must be removed from the competition, and if it is determined the bowler had prior knowledge that the actions were in violation of USBC Rule 18, the game(s) in which the violation occurred is subject to forfeiture and the bowler is subject to

disqualification, loss of entry fee, and possible suspension from USBC membership.

28. In team event, only one (1) bowling ball for each entrant allowed on the rack. In doubles/singles event, no more than two (2) bowling balls for each entrant allowed on the rack.
29. Action on the lanes which is considered unsportsmanlike or disruptive will not be tolerated. Improper conduct as determined by the tournament management may result in disqualification.
30. This tournament uses one lane courtesy only.
31. Pacers are not allowed.
32. **All bowlers must wear suitable attire. No sexual or profane advertisements will be allowed on any attire or equipment. NO tank tops, halter tops, sweats, spandex, "cut-off's" or short shorts of any kind allowed. Walking shorts, "skorts" and skirts are permitted. The tournament chairman shall determine the validity of any complaints.**
33. Food and drinks in the bowlers' area is prohibited. Spectators are not allowed in the bowlers area.

CASH PRIZES, AWARDS

34. The tournament shall be conducted with one class or division. Cash prizes plus emblems shall be awarded for the first place finished scores in handicapped team, doubles, singles and all-events. An optional scratch division is offered with cash prizes awarded for scratch scores in each event. Handicap division must be entered prior to optional scratch division.
35. **Designated prize funds will be paid 100% to each event within 30 days upon completion of the tournament. Prize ratio is based on the number of paid entries with a ratio of at least one (1) in eight (8) for Team, Doubles & Singles events. All-events will be based on the number of paid entries with a ratio of at least one (1) in ten (10) or major fraction thereof.**

APPEAL, PROTEST and VIOLATIONS

36. The tournament director shall be the authority to interpret USBC rules and state tournament rules, policies and procedures in deciding disputes. If deemed necessary, the Tournament Director shall consult with the Board of Directors of the California USBC.
37. An appeal or protest of a decision involving eligibility or playing rules must be filed in writing with the Tournament Director and the USBC before tournament prizes are paid. The decision of USBC is final and binding on all involved parties.
38. Any violation of tournament rules is cause for disqualification, loss of entry fee, forfeit of all prize monies and possible suspension from USBC membership.

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