

75th Annual Niagara Falls Bowling Association Tournament

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2018 Tournament to be Held at:
Rapids Bowling Center

Team Event Squads	Doubles and Singles Squads
Thursday, April 5 th , 6:30pm	Thursday, April 12 th , 6:30pm
Saturday, April 7 th , 3:00pm	Saturday, April 14 th , 3:00pm
Sunday, April 8 th , 2:00pm	Sunday, April 15 th , 2:00pm
Sunday, April 8 th , 6:00pm	Sunday, April 15 th , 6:00pm
	Thursday, April 19 th , 6:30pm
	Saturday, April 21 st , 3:00pm
	Sunday, April 22 nd , 2:00pm
	Sunday, April 22 nd , 6:00pm

Main Event Fees: Team: \$120, Doubles: \$60, Singles: \$30

Secondary Scratch Event Fees: Singles: \$10, All-Events: \$10, Combine: \$5

Secondary Handicap Event Fees: All-Events: \$10, Combine: \$5

MULTIPLE ENTRY DISCOUNT – Individuals will receive a \$5.00 discount on their 2nd entry within the same event, and \$10.00 discount on their 3rd entry within the same event. (Discount on MAIN EVENTS ONLY)

NEW THIS YEAR:

**** Secondary SCRATCH Events**

**** Highest average from the last 2 years will now be used**

**** Any bowler that has paid the NF sanction fee and bowled a minimum of 3 games (league or tournament) prior to April 1, 2018 is eligible to bowl**

EARLY BIRD PRICING: Team: \$100, Doubles: \$50, Singles: \$25

EARLY BIRD DEADLINES: Team Event – Thursday, Apr. 5th at 6:30pm

Doubles & Singles – Thursday, Apr. 12th at 6:30pm

ONLY ENTRIES WITH MAIN EVENTS PAID IN FULL WILL BE ACCEPTED!

Entry Form

Team Captain's Name: _____ Phone#: _____

TEAM EVENT	Address (Street, City, Zip) <i>(needed for prize payouts)</i>	Highest Average ('15-'16 thru '16-'17)	Team Event Amount Paid	HCP All Events Amount Paid	Scratch All Events Amount Paid	Total Amount Paid
Entry #: Team Name:						
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						

Select Your Squad:

- Thursday, April 5th, 6:30pm
- Saturday, April 7th, 3:00pm
- Sunday, April 8th, 2:00pm
- Sunday, April 8th, 6:00pm

Note: Confirmation will not be sent for your squad time. You will be registered for this squad unless you are otherwise notified by the tournament manager in advance. Such a situation would only arise if a squad is full.

Submit **PAID** entries to the NFBA mailbox at Rapids Bowling Center (control counter) in a sealed envelope **OR** to any NFBA board member **OR** mail to: Niagara Falls Bowling Association – 9524 NF Blvd, NF, NY 14304. *Make Checks Payable to: Niagara Falls Bowling Association*

DOUBLES & SINGLES	Address (Street, City, Zip) <i>(needed for prize payouts)</i>	Highest Average ('15-'16 thru '16-'17)	Doubles / Singles Main Event Amount Paid	Scratch Singles Amount Paid	HDCP D/S Comb Amount Paid	Scratch D/S Comb Amount Paid	Total Amount Paid
Entry #:							
1.							
2.							

Select Your Squad:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, April 12th, 6:30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, April 14th, 3:00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, April 15th, 2:00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, April 15th, 6:00pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, April 19th, 6:30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, April 21st, 3:00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, April 22nd, 2:00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, April 22nd, 6:00pm |
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Tournament Rules and Regulations

GENERAL RULES

All tournament entries must be made in accordance with USBC rules.

In order to be eligible for participation, an individual must be a paid member of the Niagara Falls USBC Bowling Association OR the Niagara Falls USBC Women's Bowling Association and must have bowled at least **3** games during the '17-'18 season (tournament or league) within one of these associations. Members of the Women's BA must pay the \$7.00 association crossover fee.

Any team or individual entered in this tournament failing to appear on the lanes when scheduled to bowl shall forfeit the entry unless the Tournament Manager finds sufficient reason for granting postponement.

Any team or individual arriving late shall begin bowling with the score counting beginning with the frame being bowled at that time.

Each bowler will be allowed 15 minutes of practice time for the team event and 10 minutes for doubles event. No practice for the singles event.

ENTERING AVERAGE

Participants will use their highest USBC sanctioned league average based on the minimum of 21 games for the 2015-16 or 2016-17 seasons. If a participant has no average from the '15-'16 or '16-'17 season, then their highest current USBC sanctioned average ('17-'18), 21 games or more, as of March 31st, 2018 will be used. All others must bowl scratch.

HANDICAP RULES

Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference between the participant's entering average and 230. No negative handicap.

Team handicap for four-man event will be computed by adding the individual handicaps of the four bowlers entered. Likewise, handicap for the doubles event will be computed by adding the individual handicaps of the two bowlers entered.

When an injury, emergency or any other reason requires a change in lineup after a game has started, USBC Rule 384 will prevail with handicap changes being made by the Tournament Management. When a substitute enters a game already in progress, the handicap will be prorated based on number of frames bowled by each individual.

RERATING REQUIREMENTS

USBC Rule #319e is in effect for this tournament. Any bowler who has been Re-Rated by any Tournament or Association must inform the Tournament Manager of this re-rating. The average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before participation in any event. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded.

USBC Rule #201a/1 is in effect for this tournament. If a bowler only bowls in a Sport Bowling League, the sport average adjustment scale will be used to adjust the bowlers average to equalize competition.

It shall be each bowler's responsibility to acquaint himself/herself and comply with the other rerating requirements, outlined in USBC Rule 319c (pg.77), and article 8, section 4, Local Association Constitution.

Summer league averages will not be considered for this tournament.

Any player reporting an average lower than required by these rules forfeits all rights to prize money, and where such violation affects the scores of the four-man team or doubles team of which he is a member, the prize money won by such teams will also be forfeited and all members of such team and/or individuals will be subject to suspension by the USBC in accordance with the provision of USBC Rule No. 26.

RULES PERTAINING TO MULTIPLE ENTRIES

Participants may enter the team event multiple times provided that only three members of a four-person team already entered in the tournament bowl together on another four-person team.

A participant may enter the doubles & singles events multiple times provided that he/she does not bowl with the same Doubles partner more than once.

SECONDARY EVENTS

All-Events: Best 9-game total pins handicap (use first 3-games in each event)

Combine: Best 6-game D/S (same entry) total pins, with handicap

Scratch All-Events: Best 9 game total using first 3-games in each event

Scratch combine: Best 6-game D/S (same entry) total pins

Only those entrants who pay the appropriate fee prior to participation in the team event may qualify for an All-Events prize. Only those entrants who pay the fee of \$5.00 prior to participation in the doubles/singles events may qualify for a Combine prize.

A bowler may enter and cash in the "Combine" event more than once, but may only enter "All Events" once per division (HCP & Scratch). When a bowler is a member of two or more 4-person and/or doubles teams, his/her **first series bowled** in the team and doubles/singles events shall count toward his/her "All Events" score.

PRIZES

An individual who enters the Singles event (Scratch or HCP) multiple times may cash as many times as they entered.

Team, doubles, and singles prize ratio will be 1:8. All-Events and Combine prize ratio will be 1:10 and that money is paid out 100%.

LANE ASSIGNMENTS

Lanes will be determined by a random draw by the team captain at the time of check-in. If a team would like to bowl on the same pair as another team (companion team), this will be allowed on a first-come, first served basis, but must be declared before the draw takes place.

Team captains should arrive at least 1/2-hour prior to squad start time.

For the doubles/singles squads, at least one member of a doubles team will be required to report to the bowling center at least 1/2-hour prior to the squad start time.

Team captains or one member of D/S team will be required to report any substitutions or lineup changes at time of check-in (at least 1/2-hour prior to squad start time).

ENTRY FEES

Main Events (Regular Price):

	Team	Doubles	Singles
Prize fee (100% Return).....	\$85.00	\$42.50	\$21.25
Bowling Fees.....	\$33.00	\$16.50	\$ 8.25
Tournament Expenses.....	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00	\$.50
Total.....	\$120.00	\$50.00	\$30.00

Main Events (Early Bird):

	Team	Doubles	Singles
Prize fee (100% Return).....	\$67.00	\$33.50	\$16.75
Bowling Fees.....	\$33.00	\$16.50	\$ 8.25
Tournament Expenses.....	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Total.....	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00

Secondary Events (HCP or SCR):

"All Events" = \$10.00, "D/S Combine" = \$5.00, Scratch Singles = \$10.00