



USBC CERTIFIED TOURNAMENT

# MONTANA USBC ASSOCIATION 2012 OPEN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

March 24, 2012 to May 20, 2012

**Team Event**

**Elks Lodge Lanes  
500 1st Avenue South  
Great Falls, MT 59401**

**Doubles & Singles Events**

**Little's Lanes  
517 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North  
Great Falls, MT 59401**

				SQUAD TIMES			
TEAM				Dates	DOUBLE/SINGLES		
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Mar 24</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Mar 25</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Mar 31</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Apr 1</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Apr 7</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Apr 8</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Apr 14</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Apr 15</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Apr 21</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Apr 22</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>Apr 28</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>Apr 29</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>May 5</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>May 6</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>May 12</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>May 13</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM	6:30 PM	<b>May 19</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	5:30 PM
9:00 AM	Noon	3:30 PM		<b>May 20</b>	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	

Divisions	Team	Doubles	Singles
<b>A</b>	720 & up	360 & up	180 & Over
<b>B</b>	660 – 719	330 – 359	165 – 179
<b>C</b>	659 & Under	329 & Under	164 & Under

**Cost Information:**

Cost per event:	\$ 22.00
Lineage	\$ 8.10
Prize Fee	\$10.00
Expense Fee	\$ 3.90

**Optional Events:**

All Events (A/E)	\$ 5.00
Scratch Team (ST)	\$28.00 (per team)
Scratch All-Events (SA/E)	\$ 5.00
Scratch Doubles (SD)	\$ 7.00 (per person)
Scratch Singles (SS)	\$ 7.00

**NOTE: All entrants in optional Scratch events are combined into a single division.**

*\$5,000 Added Prize Money*



# 2012 Open Championship

## Tournament Rules

- Tournament Format** – The tournament is USBC certified and will consist of two bowled events – a four (4) person Team event and a combined two (2) person Doubles event and an individual one (1) person Singles event. Bowlers may participate in either the Team or the combined Doubles/Singles events or both events. Bowlers participating in the Doubles event must bowl in the Singles event.
- Team Composition** – In the Team event, teams may be comprised of any combination of men and women, totaling four (4) bowlers. In the Doubles event, teams may be comprised of two (2) men or women or one (1) man and one (1) woman totaling two (2) bowlers.
- Divisions** – The tournament is divided into three divisions. Each division is based on the total team average of the participants competing in the event as shown on the front of this form.
- Handicap** – Handicap for all divisions will be based on 90% of 225 and computed using the team average method.
- Phone or E-mail Entry Reservations** – Squad time reservations will be accepted, however, entry form and fees must be received by the tournament director not later than 14 days of the reservation or the squad time will be vacated. Incomplete entry forms or fees will be accepted but not scheduled until all entry information and/or fees are received.
- Prize Ratios** - The prize ratio will be at least one (1) to five (5) or major fraction thereof for the Team event; the prize ratio will be at least one (1) to eight (8) or major fraction thereof for the Doubles/Singles events. Prize money will be returned 100%. Last paid place on the prize list will be equal to the prize fee paid. Championship awards in each division will be presented to each member of the Team, Doubles, and Singles events bowling the highest score. The cost of the awards will be from the expense fees paid. Duplicate awards will be made in case of ties.
- Special Events** – The following optional special events are offered in this tournament. The entry fees for these events will be included in the prize fund for the event and returned 100%.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>	<u>Prize Ratio</u>	<u>Event Description</u>
All-Events	\$ 5.00	1:20	Combined scores from first Team event and Doubles /Singles event with handicap by division.
Scratch Team	\$ 28.00	1:8	Scratch score of all team entrants in any Team event. Must enter as a team.
Scratch All-Events	\$ 5.00	1:20	Combined scratch scores of first Team event and Doubles /Singles event; all entrants combined in a single division.
Scratch Doubles	\$ 7.00	1:8	Combined scratch scores of event entrant and partner in Doubles portion of the Doubles/Singles event. <b>Both partners must enter.</b>
Scratch Singles	\$ 7.00	1:8	Scratch score of event entrant in the Singles portion of the Doubles/Singles event.
- Entries Close (USBC Rule 310)** – All entries for this tournament must be **received** no later than 45 minutes prior to final squad of the tournament. Any entry forms not accompanied by the fees required for the events entered will be accepted but not scheduled until all fees are received.
- Multiple Participation (USBC Rule 315)** – A bowler may participate in the Team event an unlimited number of times but at least two (2) players must be different. A bowler may participate in the combined Doubles/Singles event once.
- Entering Average (USBC Rule 319a)** – A bowler without a final 2010-11 certified league average may use their highest certified league average of 21 or more game as of January 1, 2012. A bowler without a certified 2010-2011 winter or summer league average, or a January 1, 2012 average may use their current average as of March 1, 2012 provided the average is for at least 21 games. An average verification letter from the participant's league secretary or local Association Manager will be required. If a bowler's final 2010-11 regular, summer, or January 1, 2012 certified league average was attained in a league bowling outside Montana, an average verification letter from that league's local Association Manager will be required.
- Assigned Averages (USBC Rule 319b)** –A participant without an entering average will be assigned an average of 225.

Tournament Director: Mike Bowles 803 Fox Drive Great Falls, MT (406) 268-1960  
Tournament Manager: Roz Gallup 2605 Aspen Way Billings, MT (406) 652-5141

Phone Reservations will be taken **no earlier than February 1, 2012** by calling (406) 268-1960 (No collect calls). Leave your name and phone number if no answer and calls will be returned in the order received. Reservations may be made via e-mail to [gfusbc@greatfallsbowling.com](mailto:gfusbc@greatfallsbowling.com) and processed in the order received. Fees for phone or e-mail reservations must be received per Rule #5 above.

Mail entries to: MUSBC Open Tournament  
Mike Bowles, Tournament Director  
803 Fox Drive  
Great Falls, MT 59404

**Entries close 45 minutes before final squad.**





# MONTANA USBC ASSOCIATION

## Tournament Entry Form

This entry form may be used for any Montana USBC Association sponsored tournament. Please print legibly and include all the information requested below, if applicable. Specific tournament rules and information are listed on the tournament information sheet.

**Participant Information:**

Team Captain Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

				Date of Birth	Averages		Special Events	
				Gender	Previous Season	Jan 1st If no prev yr	All-Events (HCP)	All-Events (Scr)
ID#	Last Name	First Name	Phone				Yes	Yes
Address		City	Zip	M / F			No	No
			59					
ID#	Last Name	First Name	Phone				Yes	Yes
Address		City	Zip	M / F			No	No
			59					
ID#	Last Name	First Name	Phone				Yes	Yes
Address		City	Zip	M / F			No	No
			59					
ID#	Last Name	First Name	Phone				Yes	Yes
Address		City	Zip	M / F			No	No
			59					

**Team Event** - List bowlers in roster order

**Doubles / Singles Event** - List bowlers in roster order

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

	Name	Division _____	Special Event	
		Scratch Team	Yes	No
1				
2				
3				
4				

	Name	Division		Special Events	
		Dbls	Sngls	Scr Dbls	Scr Sngls
1				Yes	No
2				No	Yes
1				Yes	No
2				No	Yes

**Squad Times**

	Team		Doubles / Singles	
	Date	Time	Date	Time
1st Choice				
2nd Choice				

**Entry Fee Submission:**

\_\_\_ Team @ \$ 88.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Doubles @ \$ 44.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Singles @ \$ 22.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ A/E - Handicapped @ \$ 5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ A/E - Scratch @ \$ 5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Scratch Team @ \$ 28.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Scratch Doubles @ \$ 14.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Scratch Singles @ \$ 7.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MONTANA USBC**

Entry #	Resrv #	Date Rcvd	Amt Rcvd Cash	Amt Rcvd Checks	Total Rcvd
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		\$	\$	\$

Date Cnfr Sent	E-mail	Postal

## MUSBC Tournament Standing Rules

(Applicable to ALL MUSBC sponsored adult tournaments)

1. **Tournament Eligibility (USBC Rule 300c)** – All entrants must be members of USBC residing or bowling in the area of a local association certified within the Montana USBC Association.
2. **Team Captains (USBC Rule 304)** – Team captains are to have their team members present no later than thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled squad time. Proof of current USBC membership must be provided if requested.
3. **Prize Fund Distribution (USBC Rule 309)** – All prize funds will be distributed within 30 days of the close of the tournament. A prize list will be transmitted (via e-mail or regular mail) to each bowling center and local association manager. Preliminary and final results will be posted on [bowlmontana.com](http://bowlmontana.com).
4. **Entries Close (USBC Rule 310)** – Entries in all MUSBC sponsored tournament will close after the start of competition, as specified in the particular tournament rules, but in no case close later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to the start of the last scheduled squad. Entrants in a particular tournament who have not exceeded their multiple participation limits prior to the tournament's specified entry closing will be allowed to enter those events (where their limits have not been exceeded) by submitting an entry form and associated entry fees to the tournament director. Squad time scheduling after the tournament's entry closing will be on an "as available" basis.
5. **Submitting Entries (USBC Rule 311)** – Entries will be scheduled according to requests in the order received, if possible. The tournament schedule will not be changed by the tournament director except for emergencies. Confirmation of squad times and dates will be made via e-mail, if available or by regular mail to the team captain designated on the entry form.
6. **Entry Refunds (USBC Rule 314)** – Entry fees will not be refunded except when an alternate time, other than requested, has been assigned and the entering team has been notified of the new time. The entering team has ten (10) days from the date stamped/transmitted on the confirmation letter to refuse the alternate time. Absolutely no refunds after the tournament starting date.
7. **Entering Average (USBC Rule 319a)** – Bowlers will use their highest certified winter or summer league average (21 or more games) for the previous season as their entering average. If none use January 1<sup>st</sup>, if no previous season or January 1, use highest 21 game average as of March 1, 2012. USBC Rules 319a2, 319a3, 319a4, 319a5, 319c, 319d, and 319e are in effect. If no rule book is available go to website: [bowl.com](http://bowl.com).
8. **The Average Affidavit** must be filled out and signed by the team captain prior to bowling. It is the responsibility of the team captain to provide verification for all team members.
9. **Assigned Averages (USBC Rule 319b)** – A participant without an entering average will be assigned an average appropriate to the handicap being used in the tournament.
10. **Tardy Players (USBC Rule 322a)** – Bowlers arriving after competition has officially begun, will not be allowed to make-up frames missed and will receive a score of zero (0) for each frame missed.
11. **Lineup Changes (USBC Rule 324a)** – Substitutes are allowed. Substitutions must be made to the tournament director as early as possible, but in any case, no later than 45 minutes prior to the start of assigned squad time. Average verification must accompany substitutions. Substitutes will NOT be furnished by the hosting association, except in the case of an emergency. In emergency situations, the substituting bowler must take the lineup place of the original bowler and will not be required to reimburse the original bowler's entry fee.
12. **Scoring Errors (USBC Rule 327b)** – Errors in scoring must be reported to the tournament director within 48 hours of the completion of the squad bowled.
13. **Protests and Appeals (USBC Rule 329)** – The Montana USBC Board of Directors and the Tournament Director shall have the power to hear and act on all protests and appeals arising from or under construction of the rules for Montana USBC sponsored tournament. The joint committee shall also decide any questions not covered by tournament rules. All protests and appeals concerning eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the tournament director before tournament prize payments are made.