

Shift Times and Dates:

Sat Jan 14, 9:30 am: Team
 Sat Jan 14, 2:00 pm: D&S
 Sun Jan 15, 9:30 am: D&S
 Sun Jan 15, 2:00 pm: Team
 Sat Jan 21, 9:30 am: Team
 Sat Jan 21, 2:00 pm: D&S
 Sun Jan 22, 9:30 am: D&S
 Sun Jan 22, 2:00 pm: Team

**Lane Condition:
 Modified House Shot**

2023 GCUSBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Team Event date & shift time:

1st Choice: _____
 2nd Choice: _____

Doubles & Singles date & shift time:

1st Choice: _____
 2nd Choice: _____

Team Name: _____

Companion Team: _____

Team Captain: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone #: _____



Visit our website at www.gcusbonline.com to download this form or Online registration

Entry Deadlines: First Weekend Wednesday 01/11/23 & Second Weekend Wednesday 01/18/23 ♦ Pre-paid entries only, no deposits ♦ Walk-ins NOT accepted

Team Lineup <small>*No lineup changes after the entry has been submitted</small>	USBC#	2021/2022 Composite Avg	GCUSBC Tournament Avg (if applicable)	Highest League Avg (if 10 pins over as of 01/11/23)	Team entry fee per person	D&S entry fee per person	Optional	Optional	Total per Bowler	Doubles & Singles
							All Events Handicap (only 219 and under)	All Events Scratch		
1)					<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
2)					<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
3)					<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
4)					<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
5)					<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
6)					N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	\$	1 & 2
Total:									\$	

TOURNAMENT BREAKDOWN
 (per \$40 entry)
 Lineage: \$9.75
 Expenses: \$3.75
 Prize Fund: \$26.50

- First weekend high team handicap early bird prize \$250.
- Entry fee includes handicap & scratch divisions.
- 75% of prize fund goes to Handicap and 25% to Scratch per event. Bowler may cash in both.

Squad Organizers:

A bowler responsible for entering 20 bowlers in an event will receive a paid entry into that event; Team, Doubles, or Singles. Additional information can be found on the website.
 Squad Organizer Name
 Name: _____

Valid Methods of Payment

We accept Check, Credit Card, Venmo (@GCUSBC) and PayPal (gcusbc2018@gmail.com).
 Venmo: pay as friend
 PayPal: include \$3.50 per \$100 paypal fee
Make checks payable to Greater Cincinnati USBC



Mail Entries To:
 GCUSBC
 PO BOX 58654
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45258
Contact Information:
 Mallery Carver
 513-936-9422
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Section A: PARTICIPATION

A1) All active members of the Greater Cincinnati USBC (GCUSBC), as of the time of the entry, are eligible to enter this tournament. Greater Hamilton and Miami Valley association members are also eligible with the purchase of a \$10 crossover card. Members from any other associations are NOT eligible to bowl in this event.

A2) All bowlers must be able to provide USBC membership card or pay USBC dues of \$27 when checking in.

A3) The tournament director reserves the right to disqualify any entrant not in compliance with the rules of the GCUSBC tournament. Premature termination of the tournament brought about by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating thereto of fire, natural disaster or any other reason beyond the control of GCUSBC tournaments shall cause, to the extent required hereby, all 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.

A4) Each entrant can bowl each event TWO (2) TIMES. Two (2) bowlers must be changed in team event and one bowler must be changed in the doubles event to be eligible to cash separately. A participant can only cash ONE (1) TIME in singles.

A4.1) Bowlers participating more than once in an event shall count their first series in each event towards optional handicap all events, optional scratch all events and their qualifying scores for **The Masters**.

A5) Entrants who bowl doubles must also bowl singles and vice versa. Bowlers must enter both events and will stay on the same pair of lanes.

A6) Bowlers entering optional All Events may enter the Handicap and Scratch divisions. Maximum entering average for the Handicap division is 219. Bowlers can only cash once in All Events in each division.

A7) When a team captain secures a replacement, once the replacement has started to bowl, the replacement must finish the game being bowled. The tournament director reserves the right to accept or reject the substitution offered by the team captain. Bowling order is finalized when entry is submitted.

A8) Teams or individuals failing to appear at scheduled pair of lanes and scheduled time, will forfeit entry fee, unless a sufficient reason is given to warrant postponement.

A9) Late bowler: Any participant not present at the start of any event will receive zero for all frames missed.

A10) All entries for first weekend (Jan 14,15) must be submitted by Wednesday January 11, 2023. All entries for the second weekend (Jan 21,22) must be submitted by Wednesday January 18, 2023. All entries need to be paid in full. No deposits will be allowed. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

A11) Bowlers who are identified as professionals or who have applied for membership in any professional organization during the year preceding the GCUSBC event and up through their date of competition shall be eligible to bowl as follows:

A11.1) Not more than TWO (2) bowlers in a TEAM line up and ONE (1) bowler in a doubles line up.

A11.2) Each such bowler shall be eligible to enter Singles and ONLY SCRATCH optional all events.

A12) Practice: Participants in Team Event will receive 15 minutes of practice on assigned pair of lanes. Participants in Doubles and Singles will receive 10 minutes of practice on assigned pair of lanes before the start of Doubles Event.

A12.1) There will be no practice prior to the start of Singles Event.

A12.2) In the event of a lane/mechanical breakdown, bowlers moving lanes will receive one (1) frame of practice each on new pair. Once completed, bowling will resume with normal scoring.

A13) ABUSE of center equipment or abusive language will not be tolerated. Any entrant involved in this activity will be ejected from the tournament with no refund of entry fees.

A14) PROPER ATTIRE REQUIRED. Examples; No profanity or offensive language. Cutoff jeans, etc.

A15) Speakers or any other electronic device emitting sound is strictly prohibited during tournament.

A16) Lanes will be reconditioned before each shift.

A17) Tournament shift times may be added, if needed, before the 2:00pm shift on Sun Jan 22, 2023.

Section B: AVERAGE RULES

B1) A bowlers entering average will be highest average between either 2021/2022 standard composite average, based on a minimum of 21 games as shown on bowl.com, or GCUSBC Open Championship Tournament average, unless rule B3 10 PIN over rule applies.

B1.1) GCUSBC Open Championship Tournament average: What is this? This is based on a MINIMUM OF 18 GAMES bowled in the 2017-2022 city tournament (Open Championship) combined. A complete list of bowlers who have a tournament average can be found at: <https://gcusbconline.com/bowlers-zone/gcusbc-open-championship/>

B2) Average adjustment: If a bowler's only valid average is in a sport or challenge league, then this average will be adjusted utilizing the corresponding USBC average conversion chart found on bowl.com.

B3) 10 pins over rule: If highest certified individual league average, as of January 11, 2023, 21 games or more is 10 pins or higher than the above, this will be bowlers entering average.

B4) What average will a bowler use if they DO NOT have a 2021/2022 standard composite average or a "tournament average"?

B4.1) Entering average will be highest individual certified league average as of January 11, 2023 for 21 games or more. A copy of this league sheet must accompany the entry form.

B4.2) If a bowler does not have any of the above, the bowlers entering average will be scratch 220.

B5) Scratch for this tournament is 1100 for team event, 440 for doubles and 220 for singles. Handicap is based on 80% of the difference between entering teams combined average for team event and doubles and individual average for the singles event.

Section C: RERATING

C1) All provisions of USBC rule 319A apply. It is the responsibility of each participant to verify the accuracy of their average whether submitted by the bowler or other.

C2) Bowlers who have qualified for a prize of \$600 or more in cash or merchandise in any event of a tournament within the last 12 months, must report actual scratch score, position, and amount won at the time of bowling in a GCUSBC event for a possible rerate REGARDLESS OF ENTERING AVERAGE.

C3) Bowlers shall acquaint themselves with Rule 319C concerning rerates.

C4) If a bowler has received a rerate or adjustment within the past 12 months from any tournament, bowler MUST report this to the tournament director prior to bowling for possible average adjustment in any GCUSBC tournament.

Section D: PAYOUT

D1) All prizes will be returned 100% in the event collected.

D1.1) Handicap division: One prize for each six (6) entries in Team, Doubles, and Singles will cash.

D1.2) Scratch division: One prize for each eight (8) entries in Team, Doubles, and Singles will cash.

D1.3) Optional All Events: One prize in eight (8) entries will cash.

D2) This tournament will be a combined Handicap and Scratch tournament with 75% of the prize fund going to the Handicap and 25% going to Scratch. Bowlers may cash in both.

D3) Co-Champions will be declared if there is a tie for 1st place in any event, with 1st and 2nd place prize money being divided equally and duplicate trophies awarded.

Section E: EQUIPMENT

E1) Ball surface change or cleaning with a substance after the first ball is thrown in competition for that squad in team event or doubles is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

E2) In accordance with USBC Rule 18, once competition begins the outer surface of the bowling ball may only be cleaned with a dry towel.

E3) There will be no practice prior to the start of singles and ball surface changes at that time are PROHIBITED.

E4) There COULD BE random checks of any participants bowling equipment any time before, during or after any GCUSBC tournament.

E5) Any USBC approved ball can be used in competition.

**** All rules have been approved by USBC.**