

COLLEGIATE SHOOT-OUT

2025 TOURNAMENT RULES

1. DATE & LOCATION

Tournament will be held December 20-21 at South Point Bowling Pavilion, 9777 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89183.

2. ELIGIBILITY

a) Each entry form must specify an accredited college as the school represented.

b) All participants must be USBC eligible and must be USBC Collegiate members.

c) No team may use more than 8 different bowlers in this tournament.

Teams may change their roster at registration.

No bowler may appear on the roster of more than one team. Bowlers cannot be moved from one team roster to another after practice on Dec. 20 begins.

d) Women bowling on a mixed team in the Men's Varsity will be competing for the Men's All-Tournament Awards. Bowlers on JV teams are not eligible for the All-Tournament awards.

3. ENTRY FEES & AWARDS

Entry fee is \$145 per team (bowling - \$105.97, expense - \$39.03). There are no awards fees charged.

Varsity Team plaques will be awarded to top 3 for women and for men. Individual all-events (All-Tournament) will be awarded to top 5 places for Varsity women and top 7 places for Varsity men. JV Team plaques will be awarded to first place for women and for men.

4. MAXIMUM SIZE & DIVISIONS

a) Divisions: Men's/Mixed Varsity, Women's Varsity, Men's/Mixed JV, and Women's JV.

b) Tournament capacity is 60 teams total for the Men's Varsity division and 52 teams total for the Women's Varsity, Women's JV, & Men's JV divisions.

5. ENTRY DEADLINE & PRIORITIES

a) Entry deadline is Dec. 3. Telephone entries will not be accepted.

b) Reserved entries: Varsity teams which have reserved a spot are guaranteed of having their entry accepted if their entry form and fee are received by Nov. 26. Entry forms and fees for JV teams which have been added to the JV wait list by reservation must be received by Dec. 1. If JV entry fee is paid by a check separate from the Varsity entry fee, the JV check will not be deposited unless the entry is accepted.

c) All Women's Varsity team paid entries received by Nov. 26 will take priority over all Men's & Women's JV entries regardless of when JV entry was received. JV

teams on the wait list will be placed into the tournament on Dec. 1 subject to available space. Any spots available after Dec. 1 are available to both Varsity and JV teams on a first-come first-served basis.

d) Exception to entry deadline: If the number of entries accepted in a Varsity division is not a multiple of 2 or the number of entries accepted in a JV division is not a multiple of 2, entries mailed after the entry deadline may be accepted to fill these spots.

6. CERTIFICATION

This tournament will be USBC Collegiate certified.

7. REGISTRATION

Check-in deadline is 30 minutes before squad starting time. Check-in will open at on Dec. 20 by 6:45 AM. Check-in on Dec. 19 will also be available. Teams are requested to register on Dec. 19.

Coaches meeting will be 20 minutes before squad starting time.

8. SQUADS, TIMES, & PRACTICE

a) All teams bowl one round of 5 team games on Dec. 20 and a Baker Round of 16 Baker games on Dec. 21.

b) Team Game rounds will be at 7:45 AM for Men's Varsity and 3:45 PM for Women & Men's JV on Dec. 20. Baker rounds will be at 7:30 AM for Men's Varsity and 1:15 PM for Women & Men's JV on Dec. 21.

c) For Varsity divisions, Semifinal/Championship round will be at 7:00 PM on Dec. 21. Lanes will be re-oiled prior to this round. Top 8 Men's Varsity teams and top 8 Women's Varsity teams advance to the semi-finals.

d) For JV divisions, Championship match will be at 7:00 PM on Dec. 21. Lanes will be re-oiled prior to this round. Top 2 Men's JV teams and top 2 Women's JV teams advance to the Championship match.

e) Teams will receive 25 practice balls on each lane of their pair (subject to maximum of 10 minutes each lane) at the start of the Team Game round and also at the start of the Baker Round, and 25 practice balls on their starting lane (subject to maximum of 10 minutes) at the start of the Varsity semi-final matches and the JV championship matches.

9. TRS POINTS

Standings submitted to USBC Collegiate for the purpose of determining Team Ranking System points will be standings based on total pins, without semi-finals or championship matches.

10. LANE ASSIGNMENTS

Team lane assignments will be made according to a schedule prepared in advance using team numbers for all games except for the semi-final and championship matches.

11. SEMI-FINAL & CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

Semi-Final and Championship varsity matches will be 4-Baker game 4-team matches bowled on 4 lanes (1 game each lane), with results based on 4-Baker game totals.

In each varsity division, one Semi-Final match will consist of the teams qualifying in 1st, 4th, 5th, and 8th place. The other match will consist of the teams qualifying in 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 7th place. The top 2 teams in each match will advance to the Championship match.

Championship JV matches will be 4-Baker game 2-team matches bowled on 2 lanes (alternating lanes, 2 games on each lane), with results based on 4-Baker game totals

12. POSITION TIES

A 9th & 10th frame Baker-game tie-breaker will be held when there is a tie for a) 1st through 8th place at the end of the Baker Round for either Varsity division, b) 2nd place at the end of the Baker Round for either JV division, c) 1st or 2nd at the end of a Semi-Final match for either Varsity division, d) any position at the end of a Championship match for either Varsity position, and e) at the end of a JV Championship match. (If there is a tie for 1st place at the end of the Baker Round for either JV division, lane assignment for the Championship match will be by coin-flip.)

Where held: a) For a tie-breaker following the Baker Round, on a pair designated by tournament management. Lane assignments determined by coin-flip. b) For all other tie-breakers, teams will bowl on the lane on which they just bowled.

Who bowls: Each team must use two different bowlers.

Who bowls first: The team that qualified highest at the end of the Baker Round will choose which team bowls the 9th frame first. The team which bowls the 9th frame second will bowl the 10th frame first.

If a tie-breaker ends in a tie, the two teams will bowl a 2nd tie-breaker, a 3rd tie-breaker, etc., until the tie is broken. These additional tie-breakers will take place on the same lane (for each team) as the first, will consist of delivery of a single ball, and a new bowler must be used. The team which bowled second in the 10th frame of the first tie-breaker will bowl first in the second tie-breaker, and teams will alternate in subsequent tie-breakers if they are needed.

13. PROTESTS

Scoring protests must be filled with the tournament office within 20 minutes of the conclusion of the game to which the protest applies.

Team captains must sign their recap. All signed recap sheets will be considered official. In any dispute, the decision of the tournament management shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC rule 329.

14. EJECTION

The tournament management reserves the right to eject from the tournament and/or refuse entry into the tournament in future years any team which, in the tournament management's judgment, exhibits improper and unacceptable behavior at the tournament site or in dealings with any other agency with whom the tournament management has negotiated special arrangements for tournament participants.

15. EQUIPMENT, DRESS CODE, & CONDUCT

Each bowler may use a maximum of 5 different bowling balls in this tournament. The bowling ball registration form must be turned in prior to the start of bowling.

No tank tops, frayed-bottom jeans, or articles with objectionable text or images.

Consumption of alcoholic beverages and use of tobacco products by bowlers and coaches is prohibited in the bowling center settee and concourse areas while the tournament is in progress.

16. OTHER

In the case of any unforeseen circumstance arising not covered by these rules, the tournament management has the authority to adopt a rule to cover such a circumstance.

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