

# Connecticut State USBC Association 2025 Handicap Open Tournament

To Be Held At:

**Apple Valley Bowl**  
1304 South Main Street  
Plantsville, CT 06479  
(860) 628-4553



TOURNAMENT SPONSORS



## March 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 & 23, 2025

(Entries close February 28, 2025)

DATE 2025	SQUAD #		SQUAD #
SAT 3/8	#1 9:00AM D/S	Dress Lanes	#2 1:30PM TEAM
SUN 3/9	#3 9:00AM D/S	Dress Lanes	#4 1:30PM TEAM
SAT 3/15	#5 9:00AM TEAM	Dress Lanes	#6 1:30PM D/S
SUN 3/16	#7 9:00AM TEAM	Dress Lanes	#8 1:30PM D/S
SAT 3/22	#9 9:00AM D/S	Dress Lanes	#10 1:30PM TEAM
SUN 3/23	#11 9:00AM D/S	Dress Lanes	#12 1:30PM TEAM

Entry Fee Breakdown:

Prize Fund	\$28.75
Bowling Fee	\$11.25
Tournament Expense Fee	<u>\$5.00</u>
Total per Entrant per Event	\$45.00
All-Events Handicap (OPTIONAL) (One Handicap, All-Events Division)	\$5.00

**Must have 2 squad times selected for each event.  
We moved the TEAM squads to the morning during the  
middle weekend.**

**There are 2 separate Tournament Forms.  
One form is for Handicap Only (Blue).  
One form is for Scratch Only (Green).**

**ALL SQUAD TIMES WILL BE ISSUED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS**

**DRESS CODE WILL BE SENT WITH YOUR CONFIRMATION TO THE TEAM CAPTAIN.**

CT STATE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP	
JOHN TURGEON	JON GIBSON, SR.
TOURNAMENT MANAGER	TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
(203) 376-5113	-
<a href="mailto:ctstateopentournament@aol.com">ctstateopentournament@aol.com</a>	-

**Web site:** <http://www.ctstateusbcassociation.org>

**This portion should be retained by the team captain – please read carefully**  
**2025 CT State USBC Association Handicap Open Tournament Rules**

- 1.) All entries to this Tournament must be made in accordance with USBC Tournament Rules.
- 2.) **ELIGIBILITY:** Each entrant must be a current member of the Connecticut State USBC Association at least thirty (30) days prior to their first event bowled. No unattached membership will be available at the tournament site.
  - a. Any bowler holding membership in the Professional Bowlers Association must indicate this on the entry form.
- 3.) **CHECK-IN:** Team captains shall report to the Tournament Manager at least thirty (30) minutes prior to squad time.
  - a. Team captains may substitute a bowler for one originally entered in accordance with USBC Rules 304 & 324.
- 4.) **FORMAT:** Handicap shall be calculated based upon 100% of the difference between the bowler's entering average and 250. *There will be no maximum handicap.*
- 5.) **PARTICIPATION:** Any qualified bowler may enter the Team/Doubles/Singles event under the following conditions:
  - a. Bowlers may enter the Team event up to three (3) times, however, not more than three (3) players on the same team can place more than once on the prize list for team position standings.
  - b. Bowlers may enter the Doubles/Singles event up to three (3) times, however, must have a different partner to place more than once on the prize list for doubles position standings. Bowlers may place up to two (2) times in the Singles position standings.
  - c. A bowler desiring to bowl in the Doubles or Singles event must enter both.
  - d. No more than two (2) members of the PBA may bowl on the same 4-player team, and one (1) on a 2-player doubles team.
- 6.) **AVERAGES:** If a bowler has a standard average and a Sport or Challenge average, the highest average without conversion will be used. If the bowler has only Sport and/or Challenge averages, then appropriate conversion will be used. Averages used for calculating handicap shall be determined as follows:
  - a. Highest sanctioned USBC average from Winter 2023-2024 or Summer 2024 with a minimum of 21 games bowled.
  - b. If no average from (a), the current USBC sanctioned average from the current 2024 - 2025 season with a minimum of 21 games bowled as of February 28, 2025. Verification from League Secretary will be required.
  - c. If no verifiable average for (a) or (b), the bowler shall bowl **scratch**.
  - d. Upon request of the Tournament Manager, averages must be certified by your local association manager or league secretary.
  - e. USBC Rule 319a.2 (10-pin Rule) is waived. All participants should be familiar with USBC Rule 319a3 (Average-Submission Rule) and USBC Rule 319e (Average-Adjustment Rule). Tournament management reserves the right to adjust any bowler's average as deemed necessary.
- 7.) **DIVISIONS:** – **Handicap or Scratch -There are 2 separate forms (one for Handicap (Blue) and one for Scratch (Green)).**  
**If a bowler wants to compete in BOTH Handicap and Scratch, a completely separate entry form must be submitted and this will involve completely separate bowling events.**
- 8.) **PRIZE WINNINGS:** All bowlers must comply with USBC Rule 319d (Reporting \$300 or more in prize winnings).
- 9.) **ENTRY FEE:** Full entry fee must accompany each entry form. All squad times will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis.
  - a. No refund of entry fee will be made after entry has been processed and squad time assigned. All checks should be made payable to: **CT State USBC.** (Returned checks and any check fees must be paid in cash, bank check, or money order prior to bowling.)
  - b. **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS 2-28-2025. Any entry postmarked after the closing date will be returned. Any entry hand-delivered after the closing date will NOT be accepted.**
  - c. No entry money will be refunded if it is discovered that a team or individual has failed to comply with all rules and eligibility requirements.
- 10.) **AWARDS & ALL-EVENTS:**
  - a. Prizes will be paid for at least one (1) in eight (8) entries. State Championship Awards will be given to the Handicap Champions of the Team, Doubles, Singles events as well as All-Events.
  - b. There are separate Handicap and Scratch Tournaments and require separate entries. When bowlers compete more than once in the Team/Doubles/Singles event, their first appearance in each tournament entered shall count towards their All-Events in that tournament.
  - c. Only those who pay the All-Events fee will qualify for participation in the All-Events prize fund. All-Events money will be returned 100% and at least one (1) in eight (8) entries. Prize money will be presented to the winners within (30) days after completion of the tournament.
  - d. In the event of a first place tie in Team, Doubles, Singles, and All-Events co-champions will be declared and duplicate awards given. Prize money for tied positions will be equally divided.
- 11.) **ADDITIONAL RULES:**
  - a. In the case of a protest or inquiry, contact the Tournament Management who has supervisory control of all technical parts of the operation of the tournament, including drafting the schedule and prize list under USBC Rule 303. Any protest affecting eligibility of playing rules must be confirmed in writing to a responsible tournament official, local association or to the USBC within 72 hours of the infraction.
  - b. Appeals and Protests shall be governed under USBC Rule 329.
  - c. **ALL PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE DRESS CODE AS SENT WITH THE CONFIRMATION LETTER TO THE TEAM CAPTAIN. Team captains should relay the dress code to their teammates.**
  - d. Tardy players will start in the frame being bowled with a zero being scored for each frame missed.
  - e. A parental consent form must be submitted with the entry for each student who has not attained the age of 18 years and who wishes to bowl in this Tournament (USBC Rule 13)
  - f. All three games of each event will be bowled on the same lanes. Singles event will be bowled first with Doubles following on the same pair of lanes.
  - g. Tournament Manager will schedule no more than two doubles teams per pair of lanes.
  - h. To certify scores, each team captain and/or bowler, as appropriate, must sign game's record upon completion of event.
- 12.) Tournament Officials shall have the authority to decide upon matters not covered by the aforementioned rules.
- 13.) The entrants whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacements hereby agree the CT State USBC Association, its officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament, which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergencies or causes relating thereto or resulting there from, fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control on the CT State USBC Association.

# CONNECTICUT STATE USBC ASSOCIATION 2025 HANDICAP OPEN TOURNAMENT

**MAIL ENTRIES TO:**  
 CT State Open Championship  
 John Turgeon  
 Tournament Manager  
 30 Meadow Street  
 Seymour, CT 06483  
 (203) 376-5113  
 ctstateopentournament@aol.com

**ENTRIES CLOSE: FEBRUARY 28, 2025**

<b>2025 TOURNAMENT DATES</b>
MARCH 8-9
MARCH 15-16
MARCH 22-23

## HANDICAP TEAM EVENT (FOUR-PERSON) MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CONNECTICUT STATE USBC ASSOCIATION

FEE - \$45.00 PER PERSON – TOTAL FEE - \$180.00

### TEAM Handicap Entry

CHOICE	SQUAD #	Entries must have
FIRST		<u>2 Squads selected or</u>
SECOND		<u>Entry will be returned</u>

**Captain's Email Address (for confirmation):**

**ALL-EVENTS IS A ONE-TIME ENTRY FEE**

Please Note: FOUR-PERSON TEAM NAME: _____ List Bowlers in order of bowling (Please Print)	USBC MEMBER #	PBA ( ✓ )	ENT. AVG. (See Rule #6)	A-E HDCP \$5.00 ( ✓ )	
1					
2					
3					
4					
FOUR-Person Team for 2024 Tournament					

## HANDICAP DOUBLES AND HANDICAP SINGLES EVENT

DOUBLES FEE - \$45.00 PER PERSON – SINGLES FEE - \$45.00 PER PERSON – TOTAL FEE - \$180.00

Doubles Event Handicap Entry.      Singles Event Handicap Entry.

	FIRST CHOICE (This is HDCP only)		SECOND CHOICE (This is HDCP only)		<u>For Use by:</u> <u>Tournament Manager</u> <u>only</u>		
	SQUAD #		SQUAD #				
TEAM #1							
TEAM #2							
Entries must	have	2	squads	selected	or	entry	will be returned

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NAMES IN ORDER OF BOWLING	USBC MEMBER #	ENT. AVG. (See Rule #6)	A-E HDCP \$5.00 ( ✓ )	
1-1				
1-2				
2-1				
2-2				

**MANDATORY BOWLER INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM**

**MANDATORY BOWLER INFORMATION - MUST COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS**  
**TEAM AND DOUBLES / SINGLES AVERAGE AFFIDAVIT**

In the capacity of team captain and on behalf of its members, I hereby enter this team and all agree to abide by the Tournament and USBC Rules and Regulations. I also certify that the information given is correct. It is agreed that any falsification of averages, errors in other information specified, or any violations of the rules governing this tournament will subject the team to full forfeiture of all fees paid and disqualify them from participation in any prizes to which they may otherwise have been entitled.

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATION \_\_\_\_\_

**MANDATORY - MUST COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OR ENTRY WILL BE RETURNED**

Bowler's Name	Home Address and Phone Number (Street Address, City, State, Zip, Home Phone)	Entering Average	Source of Entering Average 1. 2023-2024 Season 2. Summer 2024 3. 2022-2023 4. Feb 28, 2025	Local Association where Entering Average Bowled

PRINT NAME: TEAM CAPTAIN \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS for confirmation:** \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK PAYMENT ENCLOSED**                      **PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK PAYMENT ENCLOSED**

**WITH REFERENCE TO RULE 8 OF THIS TOURNAMENT AND USBC RULE 319d,  
 REPORT MONEY OF \$300.00 OR MORE HERE:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE LIST: CT STATE HALL OF FAME MEMBERS AND  
 STATE AND LOCAL ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND OFFICE HELD**

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