



CTF NATIONAL MIXED CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES

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1. This tournament is sanctioned by CTF. YBC & CTF members bowling in a youth league are ineligible to compete in the National Tournament. Entrants must be CTF members and bowling in an adult league. Non-CTF members wishing to participate without securing high score recognition must pay the participation fee of \$5.00. Non-CTF entrants who wish to qualify for CTF awards must pay **\$26.00** for CTF affiliate membership. **All participants must present a valid CTF membership card at check-in.**
2. The handicap tournament will consist of mixed teams, mixed doubles, **open doubles**, men's and women's singles, men's and women's optional all-events. Bowler's who wish to participate in the all events category, will bowl doubles and singles within the adjacent shift on their first entry. Their first score in all 3 events will count towards their all-events score. All other entries are considered as separate events. See rule 23 for conditions on multiple participation.
3. **The mixed team will be a 4 person team; at least 1 person must be of the opposite gender for this event.**
4. Mixed doubles will be one man and one woman. **Open Doubles can be any combination of gender.**
5. Optional events: Scratch Team, Scratch Mixed Doubles, **Scratch Open Doubles**, Scratch Singles, Scratch All-Events, and Senior Scratch All-Events.
6. Seniors will be defined as anyone 50 or over as required by T of A.
7. Entrants must use their highest CTF sanctioned league (book) average based on a minimum of 21 games for the previous season. If no sanctioned league average for the previous season, highest average for the current season as of January 1st with a minimum of 21 games will be used. All other entrants will bowl scratch.
8. When the previous season's average is used and at the time of bowling, if an entrant has a current average for 21 or more games (as of April 1st, 2009) that is 10 pins or more higher, the current average must be used. (Rule 319a-2.)
9. If a bowler has exceeded his/her entering average by 15 pins for all, but not less than 21 tournament games in the past 12 months, he/she must submit his/her adjusted average in accordance with the rule (CTF rule 319 e).
10. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify the score if submitted average is lower than correct average thereby resulting in a lower classification or more handicap. Prize winnings shall be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. However, corrections in averages may be permitted up to the completion of the first game of a series.
11. Entrants who have qualified for a cash and/or merchandise prize of \$300 or more in any tournaments within the previous 12 months must report their actual score to Tournament Manager at the time of bowling. It shall be the entrant's responsibility to report his/her scores in any tournament where the prize payment has not been made but in which he/she has qualified for \$300 or more. Failure to comply with either of these provisions shall be cause to forfeit tournament entry fee and prize winnings. (CTF rule 319 d)
12. Unmarried grade or high school students under the age of majority must submit a parental consent form signed by a parent or guardian before participating.
13. **Entry fees will be \$30.00 (\$16.00 prize fee; \$10.25 bowling fee; \$3.75 Expense fee) per person, per handicap event.**
14. Handicap will be 100% of 220 for all Singles handicap events
15. Handicap will be 100% of 440 for all Doubles handicap events.
16. Handicap will be 100% of 880 for all 4-Member team handicap events.
17. Optional Handicap All-Events: \$10.00 (\$9.00 prize money, \$1.00 expense fee).
18. Optional Scratch All-Events: \$10.00 (\$9.00 prize money, \$1.00 expense fee).
19. Optional Scratch Team: \$10.00 (\$9.00 prize money, \$1.00 expense fee), per person.
20. Optional Scratch Doubles: \$10.00 (\$9.00 prize money, \$1.00 expense fee), per person.
21. Optional Scratch Singles: \$10.00 (\$9.00 prize money, \$1.00 expense fee).



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22. **Optional Senior Scratch All-Events \$50.00 (Tournament of Americas entry fee).** The top two Female and Male bowlers in this event will each receive a paid entry into the Female and Male Seniors Divisions of the Tournament of The Americas. No cash prizes will be awarded. If any of the winners are unable to attend, the prize will be awarded to the next qualified entrant in the division. Ties will be broken by the highest series of the 3 events of the 9 games used in calculation of Optional Seniors Scratch All-Events scores.
23. Multiple participation is allowed in each event. Four player mixed team event – cannot cash with same team combination more than once. To place more than once in the team event, at least two players on the team must be changed. Doubles Events – cannot cash with the same person more than once. Singles Events – cash once in each event with higher score. When multiple participation is allowed, the bowler's first appearance in each event counts toward the all events total. (CTF rule 317)
24. **Prize Ratio will be one for every 4 entries** in each event except for the Optional Senior Scratch All Events.
25. In the event of a tie for first place in any event, co-champions will be declared. Ties for any placing will result in equal prize money being awarded for all positions concerned.
26. Prize fees will be returned 100% within each event.
27. Once an event competition begins you may use a dry towel only to wipe the surface of your bowling ball.
28. No substance of any type is to be used on the bottom of your shoes.
29. No smoking or chewing tobacco is allowed in the bowling area.
30. The consumption of alcoholic beverages by contestants is not permitted during competition.
31. Appropriate bowling attire must be worn while competing in the National Mixed Championships. Jeans and shorts are acceptable, but jeans must be in good condition and no cut-offs are allowed. No tank tops, hats or half shirts allowed. Tournament Management will rule on all final dress code decisions.
32. Bowling balls must meet CTF specifications. Random inspections may be done by at the discretion of the Tournament Manager.
33. Full payment of entry fees must be submitted at time of entry.
34. Once confirmation of dates is received, there will be no refunds of entry fees unless re-rate of average by Tournament Manager on-site causes withdrawal.
35. The acceptance of entries will close 20 minutes prior to the scheduled squad time desired. Final closing of entries will be 20 minutes prior to the last scheduled squad.
36. Entries received fourteen days prior to the tournament will receive a verification of entry. Email will be used where applicable.
37. Violations of any of the rules will mean immediate disqualification.