



15TH ANNUAL
THE **MASTERS**

Championship Tournament
Staten Island's Major Championship Event

December 2, 2023

Qualifying Squads: 10 AM & 1 PM • Finals 4 PM

Open to ALL Staten Island USBC Association Members 14 & Older*
*Youth members: Refer to USBC Rule 400. Must sign waiver to compete.

All Scratch Event • 5 Game Qualifying Round
Top bowlers advance to Double Elimination Finals

Entry: \$100
Walk-In Entries accepted if space permits

10 AM Squad Top Qualifier
will receive \$200 Cash Prize!

Lane Condition: 2023 USBC Masters

Bowlers Name _____

USBC Member # _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Squad Choice _____

Entry Fee Paid _____

PRE-PAID ENTRIES DUE 12/1/2023



STATEN ISLAND USBC 15th ANNUAL MASTERS TOURNAMENT

RULES AND REGULATIONS

THIS PORTION IS TO BE READ CAREFULLY AND RETAINED BY THE BOWLER.

1 ELIGIBILITY - AGE

All participants must have **2022-2023 or a 2023-2024 SIUSBC** membership and have bowled in a Staten Island USBC certified league with a minimum of 3 games bowled by December 2, 2023. Tournament is open to all SIUSBC members 14 years of age or older at time of participation. Bowlers under the age of 18 must have written consent from a parent/guardian before participation. The USBC Parental Consent Form must be on file with tournament management at least one week before participation when the youth is unaccompanied by his/her parent or guardian. See USBC Rule 400.

2 This is USBC Sanctioned SCRATCH Tournament. All competition is SCRATCH including qualifying, finals and roll-offs.

3 FORMAT -

- a) This is a singles event.
- b) **Qualifying will consist of 5 games across 10 lanes. Bowlers will cross lanes in a random pattern. Two qualifying squads will be held – Saturday December 2, 2023 at 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Lanes will be reconditioned between squads. Incentive: Top Qualifier, 10 am Squad will receive \$200 from Prize Fund.**
- c) Bowlers will advance to the finals based on the number of entries received.
Up to 59 entries – 7 bowlers advance, ***last year's champion seeded 5th into finals, see Rule #1 Eligibility.**
60 entries and over – 11 bowlers advance plus last year's champion seeded in 5th place. **The top 4 qualifiers will receive a first round BYE.** A copy of the bracket will be available at siusbc.org.
- d) The finals will be a Single Game – Double Elimination Bracket. Bowlers are seeded into bracket positions based on qualifying scores. **Finals will begin Saturday December 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm.** Qualifying scores are dropped. Last year's Champion will be seeded into the Bracket. Bracket Format: qualifying pin fall into the first round of the bracket will seed all Bowlers. Bowlers will bowl one game against their opponent. Winners of each round will move to the next round in the Winners Bracket. Non-winners will move to the Contenders Bracket. You must lose two matches to be eliminated. The winner of the Contenders Bracket will meet the winner of the Winners Bracket to decide the championship.

4 ENTRY – DRESS CODE

- a) **Only a Completed Entry Form and Full Fees will be accepted.**
- b) **ONLY PRE-REGISTERED ENTRIES ARE GUARANTEED A SPOT IN THE TOURNAMENT.**
- c) **Walk-In entries will be accepted based on lane availability.** Entries should be submitted at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the squad.
- d) **Men and Women participants must wear a shirt and casual slacks, trousers or jeans. Traditional collared shirts, mock-collared shirts and collarless bowling jerseys are all permitted. Women may wear Capri pants [provided the length is below the knees], skirts, culottes or skorts. Examples of prohibited attire include, but are not limited to: T-shirts, tank tops, halter tops, bare midriiffs, spaghetti strap tops, shorts, sweat pants, zubaz and hats. All clothing must be neat and clean. NO SHORTS, HATS or HEADPHONES.**

5 CHECK-IN – You are required to check in at the tournament office one hour prior to the scheduled starting time.

6 LATENESS OR FAILURE TO APPEAR –A bowler arriving late shall begin play and the scores shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. Entrant will receive zero for all frames missed.

7 DISCREPANCIES - A participant must immediately call attention to a discrepancy made in a score. Errors or discrepancies in scores must be reported to the Tournament Director within 24 hours after the completion of competition.

8 FOULS - A foul recorded by a USBC approved device is considered final unless it has been deemed foul was not committed or an inspection reveals device is operating improperly.

9 TIES – In the case of a tie for the last qualifying spot after the 5 games of qualifying, **a full game will be bowled to break the tie. In the case of a tie during the Bracket Finals, the tiebreaker will be a 9th and 10th frame roll-off.**

10 ENTRY FEES

a) Prepaid Entry fee is \$100.00 for all squads and must be received by 12-1-2023[NO EXCEPTIONS]. All entry fees must be paid in full when submitting entry form. WALK INS and all other entries will be \$100.00.

b) Entry fee breakdown: Lineage: \$25.00, Expenses \$12.00, Prize Fund \$63.00. Lineage for finals will be paid from expenses at \$5.00 per game.

11 PRIZES / CHAMPIONS – The tournament winner will be declared the Staten Island USBC Association Masters Champion. All prize monies will be returned 100%. All finalists will cash. The Masters Champion will be honored as our guest at our Championship Awards Dinner. The Masters Champion will also be seeded into the finals of next year's tournament.

12 USBC TOURNAMENT RULES 319a2, 319d and 319e are waived.

13 ANY RULES NOT COVERED ABOVE SHALL BE COVERED BY USBC RULES.

NO ENTRY FEE WILL BE RETURNED.

14 TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES ALL RIGHTS.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **STATEN ISLAND USBC**

MAIL TO: **Jim Episcopia**

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