



LOWER DELAWARE BOWLING SENATE

32ND ANNUAL

DOUBLES HANDICAP TOURNAMENT



March 2026

Male & Female Optional SINGLES with DOUBLES

3 BIG WEEKENDS

March 7th - 8th, 14th - 15th, & 21st - 22nd

Saturday Squads: 1:30 pm & 3:30pm

Sunday Squads: 10:00 am, 12:00 pm & 3:00pm

Prize Fund Returned 100%

Prize Ration 1 – 10

1st Place Doubles \$3,000.00 based on 300 entries

1st Place Singles (men) \$1,000.00 based on 300 entries

1st Place Singles (women) \$1,000.00 based on 300 entries

Team Combination: 2 men – 2 women or mixed
Team Handicap 80% of 440
Singles Handicap 80% of 220

Entry Fee \$70.00 Per Team:

Prize Fund:	Doubles	Singles	Scratch
	\$30.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Lineage:	\$27.00		
Expense:	<u>\$13.00</u>	<u>\$ 5.00</u>	<u>\$ 5.00</u>
	\$70.00	\$15.00	\$15.00

● SINGLES (OPTIONAL) \$15.00 PER PERSON

● FIRST WEEKEND SPECIAL
\$50.00 HIGH GAME
MALE & FEMALE

● SPECIAL PRIZE
800 SERIES MEN: \$50.00
700 SERIES WOMEN: \$50.00
300 GAME: \$50.00

Held at
BOWLERAMA
3031 New Castle Avenue
New Castle, DE 19720

302-654-0263
www.bowlerama.us

**BOWLERS MUST BE CURRENT
MEMBERS IN TNBA & USBC**

For additional information and entry forms contact:

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TOURNAMENT RULES:

1. The following are official rules and regulations of the Lower Delaware Bowling Senate Doubles Handicap Tournament. This event will be open to all active paid-up bowlers of TNBA and USBC members.
2. NO PBA/LPBA MEMBERS shall be permitted to participate in tournament.
3. The Tournament shall commence on March 7, 2026 and run (3) weekends March 7-8, 14th – 15th and 21st – 22nd ending Sunday, March 22, 2026. There will be (2) two squads on Saturdays and (3) three squads on Sundays.
4. Non-certified USBC members may enter by paying an associate membership fee of \$35.00. Non-TNBA members may enter by paying a \$30.00 membership fee. TNBA membership card expires August 31, 2025. A bowler found to be ineligible will cause the forfeiture of any prize he/she may have won or helped to win.
5. All entries will be treated on a first come status with the Team fee of \$70.00. NO PERSONAL CHECKS will be accepted without prior arrangement. No cash will be accepted through the mail.
6. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of his/her average, whether originally submitted by the bowler, his/her partner, or others. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify scores if the submitted average is lower than the correct average, thereby resulting in a lower classification or more handicap. Prize winnings will be based on the average submitted to the tournament if it is higher than the correct average. There will be no return of funds on disqualifications.
7. All Bowlers will use their highest USBC 2024-2025 or season average, as indicated on Bowl.com with a minimum of 21 games. If current average is 10 pins or more than last year (USBC Rule 319a) is in effect and the current average must be used.
8. All bowlers must adhere strictly to the eligibility criteria outlined above with compliance verified before participation. Each participant is responsible for ensuring their membership status is current and all required documentation is submitted by the entry deadline. Any discrepancies or missing information may result in disqualification from the tournament and forfeiture of entry fees.
9. Bowlers who do not have an acceptable average under tournament rules will bowl scratch (220). DO NOT use summer league average. Bowlers without USBC average must have a copy of their highest leagues standing sheet for 21 or more games.
10. All teams will bowl (3) three games on the same pair of lanes with total pins plus handicap deciding the tournament winner.
11. The handicap will be (3) three games (80% or 440 Team Handicap).
12. Re-entries are permitted. The same two-member team may re-enter but can CASH ONLY ONCE. To be eligible to cash more than once, one eligible team member must be changed. In singles, a bowler can bowl as many times as he/she wishes, but can CASH ONLY ONCE, USBC RULE 315.
13. Tournament Participation Forms are to be filled out by bowlers who have qualified for cash prizes in excess of \$300, \$500, and \$1,000 in the last 12 months of tournament play before bowling their first game. USBC Rule 319c, d and USBC Rule 319e (average adjustment/re-rating) will apply to both men and women. The Tournament Director reserves the right to re-rate any bowler prior to bowling.
14. Verification of average of all handicap prize winners by LOCAL USBC association shall be required before awards will be awarded and paid. Failure to verify average by April 18, 2026 will automatically be given a 220 average and prize will be adjusted accordingly. Total awards of \$600 or more is subject to IRS reporting and will not be released without submission of bowler's social security number.
15. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC Rule 329.

Make certified checks or money orders payable to:

LOWER DELAWARE BOWLING SENATE – 22 Blackberry Circle Maryland, DE 19964-2179

Clearly print your information:

1. Name: _____ Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____ Phone #: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell	<input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE TNBA # _____ USBC# _____ Ending Average (2024-2025): _____ Current Average: _____ Singles (optional \$15.00): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Single Entry #: _____ Scratch (optional \$15.00): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Scratch Entry #: _____ Total Amt Due: \$ _____
2. Name: _____ Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____ Phone #: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell	<input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE TNBA # _____ USBC# _____ Ending Average (2024-2025): _____ Current Average: _____ Singles (optional \$15.00): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Single Entry #: _____ Scratch (optional \$15.00): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Scratch Entry #: _____ Total Amt Due: \$ _____

Squad Time: _____ **Date:** _____ **Entry #:** _____