



**2019 MASSACHUSETTS  
SPRING SINGLES  
SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019**



**HANDICAP  
SOMERSET LANES  
231 RIVERSIDE AVE  
SOMERSET, MASS. 02725  
508-672-3131  
10:00 AM  
CHECK IN 9:00 AM**

1. This tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress and shall be governed by USBC rules.
2. The Massachusetts Spring Singles tournament is open to any USBC Youth bowler who bowls in a certified league in the State of Massachusetts.
3. Awards will be given based in a ratio of at least 1 to 10. Awards fees shall be returned 100% .
4. Tournament will consist of one three game block across three pairs of lanes with the top eight bowlers in U12, U15, U17 and U20 divisions moving on to the finals. U8 and U10 divisions will bowl 3 games on the same pair of lanes.
5. Replacements may be used for bowlers not present one hour prior to squad time if changed by program director.  
**Replacements must be from same division and center as the bowler not present.**
6. In the event of a tie the Awards for that position and the following position will be combined and split equally between the two (2) bowlers.
7. Bowlers arriving late shall begin play and the score shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. A bowler not present to bowl when it's their turn will be credited a zero for that frame. Claims for errors in scoring or general playing rules must be made to the tournament director no later than the start of the next frame or 30 minutes after the completion of competition.
8. The tournament director shall decide upon questionable errors. All other protests must be confirmed in writing to the tournament director or USBC Headquarters within 72 hours or before the awards are presented. Under this rule, each protest must be specific in itself.

**DIVISIONS: Divisions are based on the participant's age as of August 1, 2018.** Athletes must choose the division in which they will compete. Competition will be conducted on a HANDICAP basis only:

There are a total of 12 divisions. Based on age as of August 1, 2018.

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|---|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> U8 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/2010 or later           | U8 Girls  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U10 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/2008 through 7/31/2010 | U10 Girls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U12 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/2006 through 7/31/2008 | U12 Girls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U15 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/2003 through 7/31/2006 | U15 Girls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U17 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/2001 through 7/31/2003 | U17 Girls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U20 Boys or Girls are those bowlers whose birth date is 8/1/1998 through 7/31/2001 | U20 Girls |

**PLEASE USE CHART FOR AGE DIVISION. DIVISION WILL BE CORRECTED AS NEEDED.**

<b><u>ENTRY FEE:</u></b>	<b>U12, U15, U17, U20</b>	<b>U8 and U10</b>
Lineage	\$ 6.75	\$ 6.75
Expenses	\$10.25	\$ 3.25
Awards	\$13.00	\$ 5.00
(Fee returned 100%)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>

**FINALS: Divisions U12, U15 U17 and U20.** The top 8 from each of these divisions will bowl one three game block. The top three (total with handicap) will bowl a stepladder final (three bowls two; winner bowls one) in their division. In the event of a 1<sup>st</sup> and or 2<sup>nd</sup> place tie in any division there will be a (1) game roll-off. If tie still exists, a 9th & 10th, frame will be bowled. All Bowlers will have 2 practice balls per lane in the finals. #1 Seed will be allowed a lane for warmup after the 5<sup>th</sup> frame of match 2 vs 3 if requested

**AVERAGE:** Averages used at the state level will be the **Higher** of the following:

- Highest league average as of January 1, 2019, minimum of 12 games
- If no such average exists, use higher of the current league average as of entry close date of at least 12 games
- Sport averages will be considered and abide by USBC Rule 202d.
- All others must bowl scratch.

Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference of the bowler's average and 220.

**ONLY BOWLERS AND TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS SHALL BE PERMITTED IN THE SETTEE AREA.**

Dress Code: Bowlers must wear a center or league issued shirt, collared shirt, USBC youth jersey, mock collared shirt or USBC apparel, slacks, jeans with no holes worn at the waist. Shorts or skirts/skorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing and their arms are hanging loosely at their sides. There will be no headgear allowed (unless medically necessary with a doctor's note). All bowlers meet the requirements of USBC rule 301b youth. Any bowler found not abiding by the dress code, will be removed from the tournament. **NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OR ELECTRONICS ALLOWED.**

The Tournament Director will remove any bowler who does not meet the above dress code.

**ENTRY DEADLINE/CLOSE: Applications must be post marked no later than March 12, 2019. NO ENTRY FEE WILL BE RETURNED AFTER TOURNAMENT CLOSING DATE. NO CASH ACCEPTED**

**Make checks payable to MASS STATE USBC (There will be a \$35.00 charge for all returned checks)**

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: If you have any questions or concerns please contact:**

Heather Guzman  
 Massachusetts Spring Singles Tournament Director  
 16 Griswold Cir  
 Granby, Mass. 01033  
 CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SENT BY MAIL.

**Tel. # (413) 244-4972**

ALL MATTERS NOT COVERED BY THESE RULES SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE MASS STATE YOUTH COMMITTEE SPRING SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

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**DIVISION Based on age as of August 1, 2018 (MUST CHECK ONE)**

U8 BOYS     U10 BOYS     U12 BOYS     U15 BOYS     U17 BOYS     U20 BOYS  
 U8 GIRLS     U10 GIRLS     U12 GIRLS     U15 GIRLS     U17 GIRLS     U20 GIRLS

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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year of HS Grad** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GENDER** MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_ **JACKET SIZE** \_\_\_\_\_

**CENTER :** \_\_\_\_\_ **LEAGUE :** \_\_\_\_\_

**USBC #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Avg. as of 1/1/19** \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby make application for entry into the MASS Spring Singles Tournament and affirm that I have read and will abide by all the Tournament Rules, including the Dress Code Requirements.**

Contestant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I have checked this Youth bowler's average and find it in accordance with the printed rules.

League Official signature: \_\_\_\_\_