



# 70th Annual Hummdinger Tournament

February 1st - April 27th, 2025

Tournament runs every Saturday and Sunday

This is a USBC Certified Sanctioned Handicap Tournament

## Wauconda Bowl

381 W. Liberty St, Wauconda, IL 60084

Bowl 4 games total, one game on each pair of lanes. Throw out worst game for singles events, doubles events are games 2-4 only.

Bowl as many times as you'd like. Can only cash once per singles divisions and once per doubles partner, can double with as many people as you'd like.

Entry Fee: \$50 per person (\$30 prize fund, \$16 lineage, \$4 expenses)

Optional divisions include: Open Scratch Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, & Mixed Doubles

Pay ratio is 1:8

Optional side brackets are also available across entire tournament

**USBC Youth bowlers may participate, any prize money will be distributed to your SMART Account.**

**\*\*\*Squad leaders with at least 24 bowlers will receive a free entry, 40 bowlers gets you a free scratch singles entry.\*\*\***

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# **2025 Hummdinger Rules**

## **1. Tournament Format:**

- a. Bowlers will bowl 4 games in total, bowling 1 game on each pair of lanes.
- b. 10 minutes of practice will be given before the start of game 1.
- c. For Men's and Women's Handicap divisions, as well as Scratch division, the top 3 games will be used while dropping the lowest game.
- d. For Men's, Women's, and Mixed Doubles divisions, only games 2-4 will be used.
- e. For all side brackets, only games 1-3 will be used.

## **2. Average Requirements:**

- a. Entering average to be used is highest USBC average from either the 2022-23 season or the 2023-24 season.
- b. If a 2024-25 average with at least 21 games as of January 31<sup>st</sup> is 10 pins or higher than entering average, the current average will be used.
- c. Bowlers who do not have prior or current averages with at least 21 games will be given an average of 230.
- d. USBC Conversion chart will be used for challenge or sport averages.
- e. Tournament manager has the right to rerate or decline an average from use, bowlers have 15 days to appeal to the USBC Rules department from the day of notification.
- f. Bowlers wanting to apply for average relief due to injury or disability must apply a minimum of 30 days prior to their squad date, applications must be submitted to USBC headquarters.

## **3. Handicap:**

- a. Handicap for all divisions and brackets will be based on 80% of 230.
- b. Max handicap for the men will be 65 pins per game.
- c. Max handicap for the women will be 75 pins per game.

## **4. USBC Membership:**

- a. Entrants must have an active 2024-25 USBC membership (youth or adult) to bowl in the tournament.
- b. A \$5 participation fee must be paid if there is no active USBC membership.

## **5. Etiquette:**

- a. Bowlers will observe one lane only courtesy to keep up the pace of bowling.
- b. Bowlers will deliver their ball within a reasonable amount of time.
- c. Unsportsmanlike behavior and misconduct will not be tolerated and can be cause for disqualification from tournament without any refund of entries.

## **6. Fees:**

- a. Entry fee for all participants is \$50. Entry goes towards Men's Handicap Singles division or Women's Handicap Singles division depending on participant's gender.
- b. Optional Singles Scratch division is open to all participants for an additional \$10.
- c. Men's, Women's, and Mixed Handicap Doubles divisions are \$10 per entry.
- d. Side Brackets will be \$5 per bracket.
- e. Fees will be split the following ways:
  - i. \$50 Entry (\$30 prize fund, \$16 lineage, \$4 expenses).
  - ii. Scratch \$10 (\$9 prize fund, \$1 expenses).
  - iii. Doubles \$10 (\$9 prize fund, \$1 expenses).

## **7. Youth Bowling/SMART:**

- a. USBC Youth members are eligible to participate in all divisions and brackets.
- b. All prize winnings will be distributed to bowler's SMART fund.

## **8. Tax Reporting:**

- a. Bowlers winning prizes of \$600 or more will be required to fill out a W9 form
- b. Checks will not be sent out until the tournament manager receives a signed W9 form

## **9. Other Rules:**

- a. Any protest or appeals concerning scoring must be made in writing to the USBC no later than 24 hours after the squad event.
- b. Any rules not covered here will be covered by the USBC standard bowling rules
- c. Tournament management has the authority to make decisions on any rulings not covered by the USBC.