



The Southern Bowling Congress, Inc.

81st Annual Handicap Tournament

Houston, Texas



*Certified by the United States Bowling Congress
Hosted by the Greater Houston USBC and the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority*

TEAM EVENT (5-Member Team)

Armadilla Lanes II
10055 Fuqua
Houston, TX 77089
713-944-7100
armadillalanes300@outlook.com

SINGLES & DOUBLES EVENT

AMF Alpha Lanes
318 W. Bay Area Blvd.
Webster, TX 77598
281-338-1272
alphalanes@amf.com

TOURNAMENT DATES

March 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 23, 24, & 25, April 7 & 8, 2018

NO BOWLING ON EASTER WEEKEND - MARCH 31 - APRIL 1

First Priority to SBC Board Members on March 23, 24, & 25, 2018
Reserved Entry Deadline for Board Members is December 1, 2017

NO LOCAL BOWLERS MARCH 23 - 25, 2018 UNLESS SQUADS NEED FILLING

Limited Amount of Space for Non-Board Member requesting March 23, 24, & 25, 2018
Non-Board Member Entries Requesting March 23 - 25 Will Not Be Processed Until
After December 1, 2017

ALL ENTRIES NEED TO SUBMIT 2ND CHOICES FOR DATES AND TIMES

Estimated Prize Fund: \$113,000

ENTRIES CLOSE FEBRUARY 10, 2018 (NO EXCEPTIONS)

(Based on 500 Teams, 1200 Doubles, 2400 Singles, 2400 All Events)

Prize Fund Returned 100%

Optional Scratch events and Brackets Available

(Lanes will be dressed for every squad)

Senior Divisions (age 55 and above) are based on bowler's age as of February 10, 2018

Please Observe Rule 14 (Dress Code)

The Southern Bowling Congress has awarded over \$132,000 in Scholarship Awards since 1999

HOST HOTEL

DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON
HOUSTON HOBBY AIRPORT
8181 AIRPORT BOULEVARD
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77061
713-645-3000

Make Checks Payable to:
SBC Tournament 2018

\$109 per night

Mail Entry form to:

- The *Double Tree by Hilton* is just minutes from both bowling centers
- The Double Tree by Hilton has fully renovated rooms
- Complimentary High-Speed Internet
- Flat Screen TV's in every room
- Swimming pool and Exercise Room

Larry Caldwell
SBC Tournament Director
2616 Houston Blvd.
South Houston, TX 77587-5146
Email: ghusbc@bowlhouston.com
Phone: 713-874-1277



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ALTERNATE HOTEL

**DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON
 HOUSTON HOBBY AIRPORT**

**HOUSTON MARRIOTT SOUTH
 AT HOBBY AIRPORT**

**8181 AIRPORT BLVD
 HOUSTON, TX 77061**

**9100 GULF FREEWAY
 HOUSTON, TX 77017**

**713-645-3000
 \$109.00 per night**

**713-943-7979
 \$109.00 per night**

ROOM RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE FEBRUARY 10, 2018

Double Tree at Hobby





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TEAM (5-Members) TIMES		SQUAD DATES	SINGLES & DOUBLES TIMES		
8:00am	12:00pm	Saturday, March 3, 10, 17, 24, April 7	7:30am	12:30pm	5:30pm
8:00am	12:00pm	Sunday, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 8	7:30am	12:30pm	
		Friday March 23		2:00pm	

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TEAM NAME		ASSOCIATION NAME					
	CERTIFIED USBC NAMES IN LINE UP ORDER	USBC Number	MAIL ADDRESS W/CITY-STATE & ZIP (USE SEPARATE PAPER IF NEEDED)	Social Security Number	Average	Team	Team Scratch (Opt) \$10 Each
1						\$28.00	
2						\$28.00	
3						\$28.00	
4						\$28.00	
5						\$28.00	
6							

	CERTIFIED USBC NAMES IN LINEUP ORDER	USBC NO.	Doubles Hdcp No 1/2 entry \$28 Each	Doubles Scratch (Opt) No 1/2 entry \$10 Each	Singles Hdcp \$28	Singles Scratch (Opt) \$10	All Events Hdcp (Opt) \$6	All Events Scratch (Opt) \$6	Seniors Singles Hdcp (Opt) \$10	Seniors All Events Hdcp (Opt) \$6	Date of Birth for Seniors (Mo/Da/Yr) (55 Min)
1											
2											
1											
2											
1											
2											

**IF DATE OF BIRTH FOR SENIORS IS NOT INCLUDED, SENIORS ON THIS ENTRY ARE INELIGIBLE!!!!
SENIORS HAVE TO BE 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER BY 2/10/2018 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SR. EVENTS.**

FEES	Team	Doubles	Singles	All Events Hdcp	All Events Scratch	Seniors Singles (Opt.)	Seniors All Events (Opt.)
Bowling Fee	\$55.00	\$22.00	\$11.00				
Priz Fee	\$70.00	\$28.00	\$14.00	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$9.50	\$4.50
Expens Fee	\$15.00	\$6.00	\$3.00	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$5.00	\$1.50
TOTAL	\$140.00	\$56.00	\$28.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$10.00	\$6.00

Team		Singles/Doubles	
Date & Time 1st Choice		Date & Time 1st Choice	
Date & Time 2nd Choice		Date & Time 2nd Choice	

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ENTRIES CLOSE FEBRUARY 10, 2018 (NO EXCEPTIONS)

TEAM CAPTAIN INFORMATION (Please Print)

IF A SBC RESERVED ENTRY, PROVIDE NAME OF OFFICER

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

(Email address will be used for confirmations)

Secretary Signature: _____

Above Avgs. certified correct by Assoc. Manager/League Sec.

ENTRY NUMBER

TEAM HDCP \$ _____

TEAM SCRATCH \$ _____

DOUBLES HDCP \$ _____

DOUBLES SCRATCH \$ _____

SINGLES HDCP \$ _____

SINGLES SCRATCH \$ _____

ALL EVENTS HDCP \$ _____

ALL EVENTS SCRATCH \$ _____

SENIOR SINGLES \$ _____

SENIOR ALL EVENTS \$ _____

TOTAL MONEY DUE \$ _____

TOTAL MONEY RECEIVED \$ _____

BALANCE DUE \$ _____

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE PROPER FEES ATTACHED



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TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1. Eligibility** - This tournament is open to all adult members of the United States Bowling Congress. USBC Rules and Regulations will govern this tournament. Entrants must have a current USBC card or purchase a USBC membership at the tournament site. Second Choice for Squad Dates and Times Shall be completed on all entries.
- 2. Multiple Participation** - Bowlers may bowl only one time in the Singles & Doubles events. Bowlers may bowl three times in the Team event, but no more than three (3) bowlers may repeat on the same team. Bowler's first appearance in the Team event shall count towards the All Events score. **Teams will consist of 5 members.**
- 3. Participation** - Bowlers must enter both the Handicap Singles and Handicap Doubles events to enter either. Half (1/2) entries in the Handicap Singles and Handicap Doubles will not be accepted. Half (1/2) entries in scratch doubles will not be accepted. Optional Senior Singles and Optional Senior All-Events are available to those who will be 55 years of age or older at time of tournament entry closing date. **IF DATE OF BIRTH FOR SENIORS IS NOT INCLUDED, SENIORS ON THIS ENTRY WILL BE INELIGIBLE. No Local Bowlers will be allowed during SBC Meeting Weekend (March 23, 24, & 25) unless squads need filling.**
- 4. Entry Fees** - No entry will be accepted without entry fees. No refunds will be made after the entry has been received and scheduled to bowl.
- 5. Averages** - A bowler will use his previous season's (2016-2017) highest certified winter average based on 21 or more games. If bowler has no previous season winter average, the bowler shall use the highest previous summer (2017) average of 21 or more games. If a bowler has no previous winter or summer league average, the highest current average as of January 1, 2018 of 21 or more games shall be used and League Standing Sheets as of 1/1/18 submitted for verification. Youth and High School averages will not be accepted. Bowlers without an acceptable average will use a 220 scratch average. Bowlers must report if current average as of January 1, 2018 for at least 21 games is 10 or more pins higher than previous season's average. League Standing Sheets as of 1/1/18 shall be submitted for verification. Sport Bowling Averages must be reported to tournament management prior to bowling. If the adjusted Sports League Average is higher than any previous season's standard league average of 21 or more games, that average will be used as the entering average. **IT SHALL BE EACH BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE SUBMITTED AVERAGE. FAILURE TO USE THE CORRECT AVERAGE SHALL DISQUALIFY SCORES, IF SUBMITTED AVERAGE IS LOWER THAN THE CORRECT AVERAGE THEREBY RESULTING IN MORE HANDICAP. PRIZE WINNINGS SHALL BE BASED ON THE SUBMITTED AVERAGE IF IT IS HIGHER THAN THE CORRECT AVERAGE.**
- 6. Average Verification** - The League Secretary or Association Secretary must certify averages. Bowlers without certified averages will be considered a 220 bowler and receive no handicap.
- 7. Handicap** - The handicap will be 90% of the difference between a bowler's average and 220. A minimum average of 125 shall be used for handicapping purposes (maximum handicap 256 per event).
- 8. Prize Reporting** - A bowler who has qualified for a prize of \$300.00 or more in any event in a tournament within the previous 12 month period must report this actual score, position and amount won to the Tournament Manager at time of entry.
- 9. Re-rate** - All bowlers subject to re-rating in accordance with USBC Rule 319e must submit required tournament scores and prize money won. Tournament reserves the right to re-rate the average of any bowler whose entering average does not reflect the bowler's ability. Bowlers who have been re-rated in previous tournaments of any kind should report that re-rate when sending in their entry, even if the re-rate was not accepted by the bowler.
- 10. Substitutions** - Substitutions will be authorized after the completion of a substitution form by the team captain or appointee. Substitutions should be made at least one (1) hour in advance of the scheduled bowling time. All Events may be transferred only if the substitute bowls all three (3) events as a substitute for the same bowler.
- 11. Prizes** - Prize ratio will be at least one (1) prize for each eight (8) entries for Team, Doubles and Singles and at least one (1) prize for each twenty (20) entries in the ALL EVENTS for both the handicap and optional scratch divisions. All prize money will be returned 100%. All Events expense fee includes \$1.00 for SBC Scholarship Fund. All members of team and both doubles partners must enter, when entering the optional scratch events. Optional scratch events can only be entered if already entered in the handicap events.
- 12. Official Score** - The signed recap sheet will be the official score.
- 13. Management** - The Southern Bowling Congress reserves the right to refuse any or all entries. Any bowler who has been disqualified from a previous Southern Bowling Congress (SBC) Tournament will not be allowed to participate in future SBC Tournaments.
- 14. Tournament Dress Code** - **While competing, proper attire shall include shirts with sleeves, dress slacks or jeans, and dress shorts. No tank tops, denim shorts or cutoffs, swimsuits, spandex, dresses, or hats. NO OBSCENE ATTIRE. All issues with regard to proper attire will be decided upon by tournament management. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.**
- 15. Scheduling** - First priority will be given to Officers, Directors and Delegates on meeting weekend. Out of town entries will be given time preferences. Singles and Doubles will be scheduled with a maximum of three (3) entries to a pair of lanes. **Singles will be bowled first and all six (6) games will be bowled on the same pair of lanes. Additional squads may be added, if necessary.** Squad times shown on entry represent beginning of scoring.