

Mesquite Senior Games 2022 Spring Tournament dated 1/6/2022

Doubles and Singles Tournament

Doubles score for individual bowlers will be used to determine doubles and singles awards in each division

Date: March 12, 2022

Start Time: 10:00 a.m. - Check-in begins: 9:00 a.m.

Tournament Rules

1. The Mesquite Senior Games is open to all senior male and female participants over the age of 50 on or before December 31, 2022. This is a non-sanctioned USBC tournament, but it is governed by USBC Playing Rules and rules adopted by Mesquite Senior Games. No multiple entries are permitted in the Mesquite Senior Games.
2. This is a handicap tournament. The handicap will be 100% of 240.
3. Events: The tournament will consist of the following events: Mixed Doubles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Men's and Women's Singles. Individual singles champions will be determined by scores bowled in doubles competition. A total of 3 games will be bowled for this tournament. The combined 3 games score plus handicap will determine doubles champions. The total score of the 3 games plus handicap bowled by individual bowler will determine the singles champions in each division.
4. Event Fee: \$30.00 Registration Fee + \$10.00 Event Fee
5. Age Divisions: Age divisions will be in 5 year increments. There will be nine age divisions. 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90+ for all events. The doubles event age division will be determined by the age of the youngest bowler of the two bowlers.
6. Entering Averages: The entering averages of all bowlers shall be determined in the following order:
 - a. Highest 2020-2021 Winter average with at least 21 games
 - b. Highest 2020-21 Summer average with at least 21 games
 - c. Highest 2019-2020 Winter book average with at least 21 games
 - d. Highest current average with at least 21 games as of March 1 2022 will be used when current season's average is used as verified average.
 - e. 2020-2021 non-USBC league average will be verified using final standings sheet for all non-USBC leagues bowled. Bowlers must provide.
 - f. No Sport or Tough Shot averages will be used. If none of the previous (a-e) are available, the USBC conversion charts will be used to determine the entering average for the tournament.
 - g. Averages will be verified using USBC data and non-sanctioned leagues standing sheets.
 - h. All bowlers without an entering average that can be verified will enter the tournament with the following averages: Men – 160; Women - 130. The tournament director reserves the right to make adjustments for a bowler's entering average.
 - i. Rule 319a2 - When the previous season's average is used, and at the time of bowling an entrant has a current average for 21 games or more that is 10 pins or more higher than the prior season's average, the current average must be used.
 - j. Rule 319a3 - Bowlers are responsible for verifying his/her own average whether submitted by the bowler, the team captain or others. If the submitted average is lower than required and results in a lower classification or more handicap, the bowler's score is disqualified. If the submitted average is higher than required, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average. In the case of a team of

two or more bowlers, the averages will be combined to determine if the correct total is higher or lower than the submitted total.

- k. USBC Rules 319c and 319e will apply to all participants (Average adjustments/re-ratings appeal). In accordance with Rule 319c, the average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before participation in the event. If the assigned average is not acceptable by the bowler, the entry fee(s) shall be refunded. Rule 319e, a bowler will adjust his/her entering average, if during a 12-month period immediately preceding the time and date of bowling, the bowler's accumulated average for all, but not less than 21 tournament games exceed the average to be used for entry by 15 or more pins. In that case, the accumulated average must be used for handicapping or classification purposes.
7. Pacers will not be allowed.
8. Line-up Changes: Line-up changes must be made 1 hour prior to the start of the event, unless deemed an emergency.
9. Tardy Bowlers: Any bowler or Doubles team arriving late shall play from the frame being bowled. No score will be given for frames the bowler(s) missed. USBC Rule 322a applies.
10. Awards: Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded in each division of each event. In the event of a tie in any event duplicate awards will be presented to all bowlers involved in a tie. Recognition medals will also be awarded for scratch games score for high game and high series to bowlers as follows:
 - High game:
Bowler with a 110 average or less will receive an award for a 140 and above game. Bowler with a 130 or less average will receive an award for a 160 or above game. Bowler with a 150 or less average will receive an award for a 180 or above game. Bowler with a 170 or less average will receive an award for a 200 or above game. Bowler with a 190 average or less will receive an award for a 220 or above game. Bowler with a 191+ average or less will receive an award for a 240 and above game.
 - High series:
Bowler with a 120 or less average will receive an award for a 400 series or above series.
Bowler with a 135 or less average will receive an award for a 450 series or above.
Bowler with a 150 or less average will receive an award for a 500 series or above.
Bowler with a 165 or less average will receive an award for a 550 series or above.
Bowler with a 180 or less average will receive an award for a 600 series or above.
Bowler with a 200 or less average will receive an award for a 650 series or above.
Bowler with a 201+ or less average will receive an award for a 700 series.
 - Special Honor Score Award will be presented to a bowler for a scratch 300 game or 800 series.
Bowler is eligible to receive one scratch high game award and one scratch high series award.
11. Interrupted Games/Series: USBC Rule 321: If equipment failure on a pair of lanes would delay the progress of the game/series, tournament officials can authorize the completion of a game/series on another pair of certified lanes. The interrupted game/series must be resumed from the point of the interruption. There will be no practice upon resuming the game/series per tournament officials.
12. Slow Bowling: The tournament officials shall not allow unreasonable delay in the progress of the game. Should any bowler or doubles team refuse to proceed with the game after being instructed to do so by a tournament official such games or series shall be declared forfeited. USBC 11. This has no bearing on lane problems.
13. Decisions: Any situation not covered by these rules will be governed by USBC Rule Book. If a USBC rule cannot be found to resolve any situation that arises, the Tournament Directors will determine the outcome. No correction to scores will be allowed 15 minutes after the score is bowled, except for obvious errors. All changes must be made by a tournament official. Tournament Directors decisions will be final.