

2011 Battle In Seattle Tournament

1. **Eligibility:** This is a singles competition in three divisions (**Boy's Open Scratch, Girl's Open Scratch and Mixed Handicap**). All entrants must be a current USBC member in good standing.
 2. **Check-in:** Check-in time will begin at 9am on Sunday. All bowlers must be checked in by 9:30am, and walk-in entries will close at that time. Practice will be at 10am. Tournament competition will begin at 10:15am. Lane assignments will be announced prior to the start of practice.
 3. **Tournament Management:** The decisions of the tournament director shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC rules.
 4. **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is \$70.00 for Open Divisions and \$45.00 for the Handicap Division. The fee breakdown is: for Open Divisions (Scholarships-\$39, Expenses-\$31); for the Handicap Division (Scholarships-\$24, Expenses \$21) ****NOTE:** All walk-in entries that do not have reservations will be charged an additional fee of \$10.00.
 5. **Prize Fund:** All scholarship monies will be returned 100%. All scholarship awards will be deposited with the USBC SMART program for safekeeping and distribution.
 6. **Handicap:** Handicap Division bowlers will receive handicap based on 90% of a 200 average.
 7. **Protests:** Any protests must be brought to the Tournament Director immediately at the time of the infraction.
 8. **Average Verification:** Average verification will only be necessary for the Handicap Division. Bowlers in this division will use their highest ending average for the 2010/2011 season. All bowlers without a verified average must bowl in the Open Divisions.
 9. **Conduct:** Poor behavior, to be determined by the Tournament Director, will not be tolerated on or off the lanes and may result in disqualification.
 10. **Tournament Format:** This is a singles competition.
 - a. **Qualifying Round:** Bowlers will roll a portion of their qualifying on a house condition and a portion on sport condition. Open Division qualifying will be 4gms House, 5 gms Sport. Handicap Division will be 3gms House, 3gms Sport. Bowlers will move after each game. Handicap and Open Divisions will rotate within their own group of lanes. Total pins from the qualifying games (plus handicap for Handicap Division) will determine advancers to the Semifinals.
 - b. **Semifinals Round:** Cut to top 50% in each division, all pins carry over. Open Division will bowl 5 games of match play, Handicap Division will bowl 3 games of match play. Winners of each match will receive 30 bonus pins, ties will receive 15 pins each.
 - c. **Finals:** If a division has less than 10 entries, 2 bowlers will advance to the Finals. *If a division has 11-20 entries, 4 bowlers will advance to the Finals. If a division has more than 20 entries, 6 bowlers will advance to Finals. If there are 6 bowlers advancing in a division, bowlers in positions 4, 5 and 6 will roll off 1 game to see who is seeded 4th. Once a 4-position bracket is set, the format is single-game, double-elimination match play. After the first game, losers will be placed on a loser's bracket. Once a bowler loses a match in the loser's bracket they are eliminated from competition. The survivor of the loser's bracket will face the survivor of the winner's bracket in the final match with the loser's bracket survivor needing to win 2 matches in order to become the champion.*
 11. **Dress Restrictions:** Competitors **MUST** wear collared shirt, preferably with their name on the back (name not required). Competitors **MUST** wear dress slacks or Dockers style pants. Girls may wear hemmed dress shorts or skirts being no shorter than their finger tips when their arms are fully extended at their sides. **NO** jeans will be allowed. Tournament management reserves the right to determine what constitutes proper dress for participation. A good rule of thumb is if you have to ask if it is allowed, you probably shouldn't wear it.
- Reserve An Entry to avoid walk-in fee. You may reserve a spot by e-mail at Wsvabaguru@aol.com , or on Facebook at the Battle in Seattle page. Walk-in entries that do not reserve a spot prior to the day of the tournament will be charged an additional fee of \$10.00.**