

VERMONT STATE USBC

PRESENTS THE

66th Annual

Vermont State Open Bowling Championships USBC CERTIFIED

April 11 & 12, 18 & 19, 25 & 26

May 2 & 3, 2026

Entry Closing Date

Wednesday March 18, 2026

Host Bowling Center

Brattleboro Bowl

865 Putney Rd

Brattleboro, VT 05301

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ENTRIES OR PAYMENT TO THE BOWLING CENTER, THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Please note, there is **NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR BEVERAGES ALLOWED** in the bowling center. If you are caught bringing any in, you may be asked to leave the premises. There will be **NO REFUNDS** allowed if you are asked to leave for breaking this rule.

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express - Brattleboro

Room Rate \$145 plus tax Rate Code: Brattleboro Bowl

MUST CALL HOTEL DIRECTLY (802) 257-2400 for rate

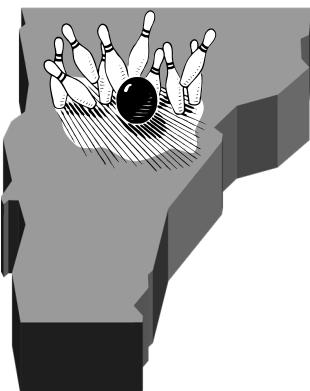
Rate Code will not work with Online reservations. If when calling you get diverted to the Central reservation line, hang up and call the hotel line again. Repeat if needed.

HANDICAP BASED ON
100% OF 230 No Maximum
PRIZE RATIO PER EVENT - 1 IN 8
ALL EVENTS - 1 IN 12

ENTRY FEE PER EVENT

PRIZE FEE	\$16.00
EXPENSE FEE	\$3.00
BOWLING FEE	\$16.00
TOTAL PER EVENT	\$35.00
ALL EVENTS	\$10.00 (Optional)

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS



TOURNAMENT SPONSOR



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CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
"VERMONT STATE USBC"

PRIZE MONEY RETURNED 100%
50% HANDICAP 50% SCRATCH

TEAMS
SINGLES

DOUBLE
ALL EVENTS

ENTRY FEE TO 2027 USBC MASTER'S OR OTHER APPROVED EQUIVALENT TOURNAMENT

*Provided by the Vermont State USBC Association
to the All Events Scratch winner
(see Entry Rule #7 - how winning score is determined)*

1. **ENTRY CLOSING DATE IS:** **MIDNIGHT – WEDNESDAY MARCH 18th, 2026**
TELEPHONE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Entries received without full information and full payment will be returned. Entries sent to the bowling center will NOT be accepted.
2. Rules of the United States Bowling Congress and the Vermont State USBC prevail.

ENTRY ELIGIBILITY

3. Each bowler must be a member of the United States Bowling Congress and the Vermont State USBC for at least 30 days prior to **ENTRY DEADLINE**, and meet the following requirement: **(Memberships by February 17, 2026)**
 - A. **NON-RESIDENTS** - at the time of entry close, must have bowled 21 or more games during the current or previous season in a certified league within an association affiliated with the United States Bowling Congress and the Vermont State USBC.
 4. Tournament competition takes place in two divisions - handicap and scratch. Handicap is set at 100% of 230, calculated on a per game basis, without limit.
 5. Tournament events consist of 5 person (Team), 2 person (Doubles), individual (Singles), and combined score (All Events).
 6. Multiple participation is permitted in the Team and Doubles event provided:
 - A. Team reentry - No more than three members of a team can reenter together.
 - B. Doubles reentry - Doubles partners cannot reenter.
 7. The bowler's first appearance in each event determines the score credited toward his/her All Events total.
 8. The prize distribution ratio for Teams, Doubles, and Singles will be 1 in 8; for All Events the ratio is 1 in 12.
 - A. Prize fees are returned 100% with 50% of the prize fund paid to the handicap division and 50% paid to the scratch division.
 - B. Prizes are awarded based on highest monetary value. When a Team, Doubles, Singles or All Events score qualifies for an event prize in both divisions and the prize is of equal value, the scratch division prize is awarded.
 - C. Participants earning \$600 or more in prize winnings in this tournament or through a combination of VT State USBC tournaments during the 2026 calendar year will be required to complete a W9 as they will receive a 1099 form at the end of the year.
 9. **BOWLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN AVERAGE.** Tournament entering average is determined as follows:
 - A. Use the highest USBC certified average (winter or summer), minimum 21 games, from the preceding season (2024-25).
 - B. Bowlers without a preceding season average, minimum 21 games, shall use their composite average from all USBC leagues bowled the preceding season, including leagues with less than 21 games bowled.
 - C. Bowlers without a preceding season average shall use the highest average as of January 1st of: (1) their highest current season certified average, minimum 21 games, or (2) their composite average of all USBC leagues, including leagues with less than 21 games bowled.
 - D. Otherwise, eligible bowlers who are unable to meet the entering average criteria are allowed to bowl without handicap.
 10. When a preceding season's average is used, and as of January 1st, a bowler's highest current season certified average, minimum 21 games, is 10 or more pins higher than the preceding season average, the current average shall be used.
 11. **Failure to submit a correct average, or to make corrections prior to the completion of the first game of competition, will result in score disqualification if a lower than actual average is used. If a higher average is used, handicap will be based on the higher average.**
 12. Tournament management reserves the right to adjust the average of (rerate) any bowler provided the adjustment is made prior to the bowler's first game of tournament play. Rule 319d & 319e are waived.
 13. Team, Doubles, and Singles bowlers should report to the tournament office no later than 30 minutes prior to the assigned squad time.
Bowlers may be asked to present USBC membership cards.
 14. Team captains and Doubles entrants may substitute players on their roster provided the eligibility and multiple participation rules are adhered to.
 15. Mechanical failure or unanticipated delay may result in lane reassignment or the rescheduling of the time to complete the event. In either case, the scoring of the event will pick up at the point it was previously halted.
 16. Lanes may be assigned.

2026 VERMONT STATE USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

ENTRY #	DATE RECD	TOTAL FUNDS	CONF SENT
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VT State USBC Hall of Fame members receive (1) Free Event Entry to the tournament. Free entry MUST be indicated below at time entry form is submitted.

CAPTAIN'S NAME	PHONE #
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PLEASE ENTER BOWLER INFORMATION IN THE ORDER OF TEAM EVENT LINE UP. ALL BOLD PRINT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED. PRIZE FUND CHECKS ARE MAILED DIRECTLY TO BOWLERS, NOT CAPTAINS. IF NO ADDRESS LISTED, CHECKS WILL BE MAILED TO ADDRESS ON FILE WITH USBC. CONFIRMATIONS WILL ONLY BE SENT OUT VIA EMAIL. PLEASE PROVIDE EMAIL ADDRESS FOR CAPTAIN AND ANY OTHER BOWLERS TO RECEIVE CONFIRMATION)

Bowler Name	USBC ID #
Mailing Address	2024-25 Ave
City, State, Zip	01-01-26 Ave
Email Address	VT USBC HOF – Free Entry used this entry

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ENTRY FORMS NOT FILLED OUT LEGIBLY WITH EACH BOWLER'S NAME, USBC ID, AND AVERAGE INFO (LAST YEAR & JAN 1ST) ON THIS PAGE AND EVENT INFO FILLED OUT COMPLETELY ON THE EVENTS PAGE, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE CAPTAIN. COMPANION TEAM ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED IN THE SAME ENVELOPE TO BE CONSIDERED TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE SAME LANES.

ENTRY DEADLINE IS: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026

66th OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS SQUAD TIME REQUESTS

DOUBLES SQUAD DATES & TIMES

SATURDAY	APRIL 11, 18, 25, MAY 2, 2026	9:00 AM Fresh Oil	11:00 AM
SUNDAY	APRIL 12, 19, 26, MAY 3, 2026		

DOUBLES ENTRY FEE: \$35 EACH \$70 PER SET OF DOUBLES

Set	1 st Bowler Name	2 nd Bowler	1 ST CHOICE		2 ND CHOICE	
			Date	Time	Date	Time
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

SINGLES SQUAD DATES & TIMES

SATURDAY	APRIL 11, 18, 25, MAY 2, 2026	9:00 AM Fresh Oil	11:00 AM
SUNDAY	APRIL 12, 19, 26, MAY 3, 2026		

SINGLES ENTRY FEE: \$35

TEAM SQUAD DATES & TIME

SATURDAY	APRIL 11, 18, 25, MAY 2, 2026 **HOF Induction ceremony 1pm, April 11th**	1:30 PM Re-Oil
SUNDAY	APRIL 12, 19, 26, MAY 3, 2026	

TEAM ENTRY FEE: \$35 EACH \$175 TOTAL TEAM FEE

TEAM NAME:	**	**	
Bowler Pos	Bowler Name	1 ST CHOICE	2 ND CHOICE
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN

Event	# Entries	FEE PER EVENT	TOTAL EACH EVENT
TEAMS		\$175 (35X5)	
DOUBLES		\$ 70 (35X2)	
SINGLES		\$ 35	
ALL EVENTS		\$ 10	
SUBTOTAL OF ENTRY FEES			
HOF ENTRIES		\$35 (subtract from subtotal)	-
TOTAL DUE: VERMONT STATE USBC			\$