# 21st Annual

# NWGA USBC Association League Officer & Volunteers Tournament

Certification #



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# January 11, 2026 @ 12:00 noon

# **Entry Fee**

Pre-Registered: \$27.00 per team / \$13.50 per individual Walk-In: \$34.00 per team / \$17.00 per individual

# Reserve entries will close at midnight on January 4th, 2026

Walk-Ins (\$3.00 additional per bowler) will be accepted up to one (1) hour prior to the start of squad. (If lanes are available). One (1) hour cutoff will be enforced!!

## If Mailing Entries, Send to:

Sam Benifield, Tournament Manager 1651 Horizon Parkway, Suite 700 Buford GA 30518

Email: tournaments@nwga-usbc.com

### RULES FOR THE NWGA USBC ASSOCIATION LEAGUE OFFICERS & VOLUNTEERS TOURNAMENT

The NWGA USBC Association League Officers Tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress. The tournament shall be governed by the following rules and all other USBC rules pertaining to certified competition.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Entry in the Northwest Georgia (NWGA) USBC Association League Officers Tournament is open to all current officers, board members and auxiliary members of the NWGA-USBC Association. NWGA Life Members, Members Emeritus, League Officers from both the current season and most recently completed summer season USBC <u>certified</u> leagues and individuals that have volunteered to assist the Northwest GA USBC Association are also eligible to enter. Participants must be a member of the Northwest Georgia USBC Association, Inc. The Tournament shall consist of a 3-game doubles handicap event contested in 3 divisions.

### **HANDICAP & AVERAGES**

Handicap for the League Officers Tournament will be based on 100% of the difference between the highest average of the individual and 220.

Averages will be accepted in the following order:

- A. Entrants will use their highest regular or substitute 2024-25 certified (Winter Season) average (based on at least 21 games), regardless of association. (USBC Rule 319a/1a)
- B. If no previous season average, use highest current league average of at least 21 games as of **January 1, 2026**. <u>Verification of such average</u> (Signed by the League Secretary) must be submitted with entry.
- C. If no current season average, use highest summer league average of at least 21 games as of the end of the 2025 Summer league.

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- D. If none of the above applies, the entrant must bowl scratch, and the entering average will be 220.
- E. Youth standard averages may be used.
- F. USBC Rule 201a (Average Conversion) WILL apply.
- G. USBC Rules 319a/2 (Ten-pin Rule) and 319e (Use of Tournament Average Rule) will **NOT** apply.
- H. USBC Rule 319d (Reporting Prize Winnings) WILL apply.
- I. BOWLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING THEIR OWN AVERAGES. (USBC Rule 319a/3)

### **ENTRY FEES**

The entry fee will be \$13.50 per bowler to cover lineage. No fees shall be refunded after entries have been received and the dates assigned by the Tournament Director and have been accepted by the Team Captain.

CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER should be used to pay entry fees. Make checks payable to <a href="MWGA USBC Association Tournament Fund">MWGA USBC Association Tournament Fund</a>. A \$30.00 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE, PLUS BANK CHARGES WILL BE LEVIED ON ANY RETURNED CHECK.

Entries open as soon as entry forms are available, and reserve entries will close January 4, 2026. Walk-in entries will be accepted until one (1) hour prior to the start of a squad **if lanes are available**. A walk-in fee of \$2.50 will be assessed per bowler.

### **PRIZES**

Prizes will be provided by the NWGA USBC Association for the highest scores in each division listed below. An individual is eligible for only one prize. Duplicate awards will be given for ties. Award checks will be void after 60 days.

### DIVISIONS

Doubles Handicap — Mixed Division, Female Division, Male Division

### **PARTICIPATION**

Entries will be scheduled according to request if possible, and in the order received. The Tournament Director, except for an emergency, will not change the schedule. The Tournament Director will assign lanes for each event. The lineup will be the same as shown on the entry form. Any player or team arriving after the game has started will be allowed to bowl and the score(s) will count beginning with the frame then being bowled. **No score will be given for frames missed.** 

The tournament recap sheet will be the official score sheet. Scores will be verified from the automatic score printouts. Tournament games cannot be re-bowled, except as authorized by the Tournament Manager when scores are irretrievably lost in an automatic scoring device.

Only participants and tournament officials are allowed in the playing area. Food, beverages, and smoking are not allowed in the playing area. Smoking is governed by the bowling center, state, and local laws. These regulations must be observed in the bowling center.

<u>Dress Code:</u> Participants are expected to wear suitable attire during the competition. All clothes must be neat, clean, and free of holes or frayed hemlines. Acceptable tops include full length shirts or bowling jerseys with polo, butterfly or sash collars, or t-shirts with league logos. Acceptable bottoms include pants, nice jeans, capris, walking/casual shorts, skirts and/or skorts at least fingertip length. Attire or equipment depicting alcohol, illegal substances, gambling, or inappropriate language/gestures is forbidden in accordance with USBC Rule 103b. Tournament officials will determine the appropriate attire, and those decisions are final.

### **SUBSTITUTES**

Substitute forms must be submitted to the Tournament Director thirty (30) minutes before the scheduled time. Substitutes must be a League Officer, an Association Director, Life Member, Member Emeritus, Auxiliary Member or volunteer. In case of disability after a game has started, a substitute will be allowed, if one is available. If no substitute is available, only the actual score of the frames bowled will count. A substitute will not be required to reimburse the original entrant with the entry fee paid nor shall the substitute be expected to give the original entrant any prize money or award they may win.

### **PROTESTS AND APPEALS**

Will be governed in accordance with USBC Rule 329.

Prizes will be awarded during the NWGA Annual Meeting that will immediately follow the tournament. We hope you will stay to help us make the important decisions for YOUR association!

# 2025 - 2026 League Officers Tourney

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM • 21st ANNUAL • ENTRY DEADLINE: January 4, 2026

### Mail Entries with Full Payment To:

Sam Benifield • Tournament Manager 1651 Horizon Parkway, Suite 700 Buford GA 30518

Email: tournaments@nwga-usbc.com

Sunday, January 11, 2026

Entries will NOT be accepted if League AND Office Held information is not included for both bowlers!!

Bowler #1

### TO THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:

By signature of our Team Captain, acting as our agent, we hereby make an application and tender our fees to participate in the NWGA-USBC League Officers Tournament. We agree to abide by all the rules, regulations and provisions as prescribed by the NWGA-USBC, and we further agree, that in the event circumstances beyond the control of the NWGA-USBC shall arise before or during the scheduled tournament, thereby causing a cancellation, postponement or suspension of the tournament in part or in its entirety, the NWGA-USBC shall not be held liable for the payment of awards. Entrants who have bowled will be refunded that portion of the fees allocated to the prize fund based upon the number who participated in each event, each division. Entrants not having bowled will be refunded fees allocated to prize fund, lineage and expense.

Signature of Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_\_Make Checks Payable to:

NWGA USBC Association Tournament Fund