

FUZZY SHIMADA NISEI INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Open to all:
 - A. Nisei/Nikkei bowlers.
 - B. Non-Nisei/Nikkei married to a Nisei/Nikkei (put maiden name on entry in parenthesis)
 - C. Non-Nisei/Nikkei members of a Nisei/Nikkei league or association
 - C1. A non-Japanese who had bowled at least 21 games of the scheduled winter 2005-2006 league and has bowled at least 21 games of the scheduled winter 2007-2008 league as of tournament deadline, in a recognized Nisei/Nikkei League shall be eligible for tournament play and must submit league sheets with entry.
2. Nikkei is an individual of Japanese ancestry.
3. This tournament shall be sanctioned under USBC rule 301a. (Moral Support Tournament.) Unless otherwise specified. USBC rules and regulations will govern situations not covered by the tournament rules. Participants must be USBC members to qualify for USBC awards.
4. Tournament entering averages shall be:
 - A. Highest 2006-2007 or 2005-2006 book average, whichever is higher.
 - B. Highest 2007 sanctioned summer league average 21 games or more as of tournament deadline. (Proof must be furnished upon request.)
 - C. Highest current winter league average based on 21 games or more as of the tournament date (a league sheet showing 21 games or more must be submitted for verification.)
 - D. A bowler who has only a YABA average and is currently bowling in an adult league may bowl if they meet all the eligibility requirements and qualify under rule 4C in the adult league. Entering average will be the higher of rule 4C or highest 2006-2007 YABA book average.
 - E. If none of the above bowlers must bowl scratch: 220 for men and 220 for women. Minimum average is 150 for men and 125 for women.
5. Except where noted the following will apply to all participants:
 - A. USBC Rules 319a (1) (3) and (5) APPLY. Rule 319a (2) and (4) does not apply. USBC 319d does apply. USBC 319e does not apply
6. Handicap shall be based on 80% of 220 for men and women individually.
7. USBC members and nonmembers may participate in a Moral Support sanctioned tournament with award recognition automatically extended to USBC members. Eligible nonmembers may qualify for USBC award recognition at their option by paying a fee of \$21 for which the respective Congress will issue an affiliated membership card.
8. Average verification must be submitted to the tournament committee with every entry. Exception: An extension not to exceed 48 hours after completion of the first series bowled may be granted by the chairperson. Bowlers with unverified averages will be adjusted to 220 for men and women.
9. Tournament committee decisions will be final. Appeals must be made in accordance with USBC Rule 329.
10. Prize list shall be posted before the start of the tournament. 100% prize list shall be paid and distributed within 30 days of close of tournament. Ratio of prize fund will be at least one per eight entries.
11. Entry form not completely filled in or not properly signed shall be rejected. Entry fee must accompany all entries.
12. In case of a first place tie in any event duplicate gifts will be awarded and cash prize will be divided equally.
13. Open team shall consist of five bowlers of any combination.
 - A. There will only be ONE prize fund. No separate men, women or mixed prize fund.
14. Entrants may bowl in multiple doubles squads (Combination: one man, one woman; two men; or two women. Cash only once with the same partner.
15. Mixed trio teams shall consist of three bowlers with at least one woman per team but no more than two women (Combination 2 men 1 woman or 2 women 1 man). Cash only once with the same partners.
16. Generation No-Tap Mixed Doubles shall consist of at least one senior (60 years or older). Non-senior bowler's handicap will be based on 80% of 220 and senior's handicap will be based on 100% 220. (Combination: one senior, one non-senior or two seniors). Cash only once with the same partner. List woman bowler first on entry.
17. Bowlers must bowl in the order listed. Substitutes must bowl in the position of the original bowler.
18. Bowlers must report at least thirty (30) minutes before squad time to check-in and report any substitutions on the roster. No changes in the order of bowling shall be permitted.
19. Out-of-town entrants shall have time preference. Bowlers within a 75-mile radius will be considered local and those entries with the earliest postmark shall have time preference.
20. All bowlers shall be properly attired and live to the good sportsmanship that Nikkei bowlers have established.
21. TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE-ADJUST ANY BOWLER. Bowler shall be notified before he/she bowls. If re-adjustment is not accepted entry fee shall be refunded.
22. One lane courtesy will be observed.
23. Tournament committee reserves the right to add, delete, or alter squads; however, no squad may be added after the final advertised squad on June 21st, 2008.
24. Late arrivals must bowl from frame in progress.
25. The closing date for the tournament entries is by midnight May 30th, 2008. Entries postmarked the first business day following the entry closing date shall be accepted.