

20th New York State Masters Championship Tournament
Conducted by the
Empire State USBC Bowling Association



**\$2,000 FIRST PRIZE
GUARANTEED**

SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2010

**Mancuso Bowling Center
214 East Main St.
Batavia, New York 14020
585-343-1319**

QUALIFYING SQUADS

10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

SEMIFINALS & FINALS

4:30 p.m.

See tournament format on back

ENTRY FEE: \$85

\$10 Brackets will be

conducted in the

qualifying rounds

(Games 1-2-3, 2-3-4, 3-4-5)

**CHAMPION ALSO WINS A PLAQUE AND A PAID ENTRY TO
2011 USBC MASTERS & \$200 TOWARD EXPENSES**

USBC Certified -- A "Sport" bowling oil pattern will be used

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Turnbull Heating, Air Conditioning & Commercial Refrigeration

50 Franklin St., Batavia, NY 14020

1-800-330-2005

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ENTRANT INFORMATION	Local Bowling Association:
NAME:	Bowler's Home Phone:
ADDRESS:	Bowler's e-mail:
CITY:	USBC Membership #:
ZIP CODE:	

MAIL ENTRY AND FEES TO:

Empire State USBC BA

P.O. Box 467

Constantia, NY 13044

Phone: 315-623-7100

Email: esusbca@twcny.rr.com

First Qualifying Squad Choice:

Second Qualifying Squad Choice:

Make checks payable to:

Empire State USBC BA Masters

Entry fee is \$85

Signature:

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

QUALIFYING

Saturday, April 3, 2010 – ALL ENTRANTS will bowl 5 games across 10 lanes, moving two pairs to the right after each game (example, 3-4 to 7-8 to 11-12 to 15-16 to 19-20). One in five bowlers from the entire field (both squads combined) – ranked by total pins – will advance to the head-to-head match play semifinals following the second of two qualifying rounds. **The maximum number of bowlers per squad will be 66 – three per lane using 22 lanes. THERE WILL BE NO RE-ENTRY.**

Note: Number of qualifiers will be rounded down depending upon entries – (example: if the tournament draws 114 entries, 22 bowlers will advance). If there is a tie, however, for the final qualifying spot both (or all) bowlers who tied will advance to the semifinal round.

THE LANES WILL BE STRIPPED AND OILED AFTER THE FIRST QUALIFYING SQUAD ONLY.

HEAD-TO-HEAD SEMIFINALS

Following the two qualifying rounds, those bowlers who have advanced will compete in a head-to-head, single elimination round until the final four bowlers are determined. Ties for qualifying positions will be broken by using the bowler's highest game during the qualifying round. Any tie during the semifinal round will be broken by a 9th and 10th frame roll-off.

Note: Because the number of semifinalists won't be determined until the day of the tournament, the head-to-head semifinal tournament brackets (or pairings) may result in bye(s) to the top qualifier(s) OVERALL to even out the semifinal tournament brackets. (Example, if the tournament draws a full field of 132 bowlers, there would be 26 qualifiers – barring any ties for the final qualifying spots. In a 26-bowler semifinal field, the top six qualifiers would receive first-round byes).

STEPLADDER FINALS

The four bowlers who survive the head-to-head single elimination round will then be seeded – **according to the bowlers' averages for all of their games in the tournament** – into the stepladder finals. No. 4 will meet No. 3, with the winner facing No. 2, and the winner facing No. 1 for the championship. Ties during any finals matches will be broken by a 9th and 10th frame roll-off.

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All competition is scratch. Lanes will be assigned. Entry fee is \$85, with the breakdown as follows: Prize Fees: \$56; bowling and tournament expense fees: \$29. The tournament sponsor, Turnbull Heating, Air Conditioning & Commercial Refrigeration, is contributing an additional \$1,000 into the prize fund. **Entries close at the start of the 1:30 p.m. qualifying squad unless the tournament is filled sooner. A bowler may compete only once.**
2. Bowlers are to report 30 minutes before their scheduled starting time. Tournament committee reserves the right to reject any entry.
3. This tournament is open to current USBC certified bowlers who are members of a local association in New York State. Non-members who reside in New York State may bowl by purchasing a USBC Associate Membership of \$21.
4. Bowlers by entering this tournament agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the Empire State USBC BA Masters Championship Tournament and the United States Bowling Congress.
5. Once an entry fee has been received and accepted, it cannot be transferred to another bowler except with the written consent of the Tournament Committee. If a bowler is unable to appear, the Tournament Committee must authorize transfer of the entry.
6. The only prizes and/or awards that a bowler is entitled to for bowling in this tournament are those prizes and/or awards which are won by the bowler during this tournament.
7. Proper dress is required during all rounds of the tournament – slacks (dress jeans are acceptable) and a shirt with a “butterfly” collar. **No shorts, tank-tops, T-shirts, hats. Penalty will be disqualification.**
8. A bowler may be disqualified and removed from the tournament for any infraction of USBC or Tournament Rules, or for derogatory conduct as determined by the Tournament Committee. Disqualification will result in forfeiture of entry fee and any prize money, and/or awards, which the bowler may have been entitled to.
9. Prize ratio will be 1:5, with all qualifiers cashing. All prize fees will be returned 100%.
10. The Champion, in addition to the first place prize money, will receive a plaque, paid entry fee to the 2011 USBC Masters and \$200 toward expenses. All other travel expenses, lodging expenses, food expenses and any other expenses incurred by the Champion for participating in the 2011 USBC Masters are to be paid by the bowler. If the Champion decides not to bowl in the 2011 USBC Masters, the entry fee and \$200 will be forfeited.