

Tournaments scheduled after August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 must be certified using the online process at [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com). This process requires much more information as compared to the one page form of previous years.

First off to register, you must have an online account with bowl.com. After you complete this process you will be presented with a series of screens that are used in the process. The data entry portion of all screens is captured in this document.

The following are screen shots of all data entry screens used in the USBC online certification process. Most of the screens were self explanatory. However, others did not apply themselves to the purpose of running tournaments to raise funds for High School Bowling. These were filled in with help from the USBC office in Greendale, Wisconsin.

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Tell us about the tournament you wish to certify:

\*Tournament Name: RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitational Tourna...

\*Start Date: December 7 2008

\*End Date: December 7 2008

\*Participants:  Adults  
 Youth  
 Mixed Adult/Youth Teams

*Public Contact Information for this Tournament:*

\*Address Line 1: [Redacted]

Address Line 2: [Redacted]

\*City: [Redacted]

\*State: Michigan

\*ZIP Code: 48095-1349

\*Country: United States of America

\*Email Address: [Redacted]

\*Re-enter Email: [Redacted]

\*Daytime Phone: [Redacted] (###)###-####

\* Required information

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Enter your tournament information and click Next.

**New Tournament Certification**

**Tournament Manager Duties  
Rule 303**

As the tournament manager you have the following duties:

- ◆ Adopting and enforcing the tournament rules
- ◆ Deciding all disputes, complaints or protests
- ◆ Handling the operations of the tournament
- ◆ Accepting or rejecting any entrant
- ◆ Pay prizes and submit tournament reports to USBC within 30 days of the end of the tournament

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Read and click Next.

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Please select all of the following that apply to this tournament:

Youth Tournament Options:

Scholarship  
 High School Bowling  
 Junior Gold Qualifier

Additional Tournament Options:

Collegiate Bowling  
 Sport Bowling  
 Mail-O-Graphic  
 Modified

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Select what applies and click Next.

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Team Invitation...**

Please tell us about entry closing dates and eligibility:

\*Date Reserve Entries Close: January 5 2009

\*Are Walk-in Entries Accepted?  Yes  No

Eligibility - Check All That Apply:

All participants must be current members of USBC

Non-USBC members may qualify for entry and all USBC services by paying an association membership fee prior to bowling. If the state and local dues are not known, the associate dues will be \$21.00 (USBC Adult), or \$14.00 (USBC Youth).

Non-USBC members pay a participation fee (\$5 adult/\$2 youth)

All bowlers must have a Sport Bowling Membership

All participants must be current members of: High School

\* Required information

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This is the first screen that questions come up as to how to answer. With USBC help, the last checkbox should be used with the words "High School" entered. Click Next.

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Please provide the following information:

**Moral Support Certification**

USBC offers a Moral Support Certification to competitions where entry is limited to individuals affiliated with the organization conducting the tournament. To apply for Moral Support certification, please check the box below and provide an explanation of how this event would qualify under Rule 301a.

\*Are you applying for Moral Support Certification?  Yes  No

\* Required information

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Make your selection and click Next.

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Please provide the following information:

**Comprehensive Certification**

USBC offers a Comprehensive Certification to tournament managers operating multiple events during the season with identical rules/formats. To apply for a Comprehensive Certification, please check the box below and provide a schedule including the date of each event and the name of the host center(s) on the following screen.

\*Are you applying for Comprehensive Certification?  Yes  No

\* Required information

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Make your selection and click Next.

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The following centers are part of this tournament:

Center Name	Location	Cert. Status	
Summit Sports Center	Romeo, MI	'07-'08 Certified	<b>Remove</b> >>

[Click Here to Add a Center For This Tournament](#)

One Squad Only

\*Squad Starts: 12/7/2008 @ 9 : 00  AM  PM

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You will need to add your center using the center click button. As of this writing, this site does not associate centers to your login name. You will need to repeat this process for each tournament you are certifying. Click Next

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Please tell us about the entry fees and events:

*Events - Check All That Apply:*

**Please list all fees PER BOWLER for each event selected**

	Expense & Lineage Fees	Prize/Awards Fees	Total Entry Fees Per Bowler	Players Per Team
<input type="checkbox"/> Team	\$	\$		
<input type="checkbox"/> Doubles	\$	\$		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Singles	\$	\$20.00	\$ 20.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> All Events	\$	\$		
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events	\$	\$		

\*Is Multiple Participation allowed?  Yes  No

**\* Required information**

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This is another screen that does not address tournaments for fundraising. With USBC help, put the entire fee charged **per bowler** in the proper line.

Click Next.

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Please tell us about your tournament competition:

\*Is this competition Handicap or Scratch?  Handicap  Scratch

\*Is this competition Classified (Divisional)?  Yes  No

Competition Classified By:

**Gender** — List Gender Divisions:  
 Boy's Division  
 Girl's Division

**Age** — List Age Divisions:

**Average** — List Average Divisions:

**Other** — List Divisions:

\* Required information

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This screen opens with just the first to lines. Selecting 'Yes' to the second line opens up the full screen. Enter the tournaments classification and click Next.

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Please tell us about your tournament prizes:

\*Are Guaranteed Prizes Offered?  Yes  No

Unless the competition is guaranteeing the prizes offered, the prizes paid will be based on the number of actual entries. When advertised prizes are based on an estimated number of entries, this should be stated in the rules.

All prizes are estimated based on \*160 entries.

**Award/Prize Ratios - Rules 306, 307 and 308**

Unless the tournament rules state otherwise the following prize ratio's apply: Team, Doubles & Singles - 1 prize for every 10 entries or major fraction thereof. All Events - 1 prize for every 20 entries or major fraction thereof.

The Prize Ratio for this tournament is at least:

Team Event: 1 prize for every \*20 entries or major fraction thereof.

\* Required information

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To enter the number in the bottom box, divide the number of awards divided by the number of entries. Click Next.

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**Rules 319a through 319f**

Be advised that Rules 319a through 319f apply to all USBC certified adult tournament competitions unless waived or modified. You will be asked to verify your acceptance of each of these rules in the current form, or to provide any modified versions of these rules you have adopted. If you are submitting a youth competition, be advised that in USBC Youth competitions Rules 319a, and 319c through 319e are automatically waived, however, the tournament does have the option to adopt them.

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As stated in the last sentence of this box, Rules 319a-f do not apply to Youth competition. However, even though it says these rules are waived, you must go through each screen and waive each rule. Click Next.

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Please provide the following rule information:

**10 Pin Rule - Rule 319a-2**

Rule 319a-2 requires the entrant to report his/her current average of 21 or more games if it exceeds his/her entering average by 10 or more pins.

\*Do you accept this rule?  Accepted  Waived  Other

\* Required information

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Waive and click Next.

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Please provide the following rule information:

**Reporting Incorrect Averages - Rule 319a-3**

Rule 319a-3 places the responsibility to supply the correct average with the bowler regardless of who submits the entry. If the average submitted for entry is higher than required by the tournament rule, the player is handicapped on the submitted average. If the average submitted for entry is lower than required by the tournament rule and results in a lower classification or more handicap, the bowler is disqualified.

\*Do you accept this rule?  Accepted  Waived

\*Reason for not accepting Rule 319a-3:

youth scratch tournament

\* Required information

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Please provide the following rule information:

**Average Corrections - Rule 319a-4**

Rule 319a-4 allows for corrections of an entrant's entering average up to the end of the entrant's first game. The tournament can authorize (in writing) entrants to submit corrected averages up to 48 hours after the end of the series.

\*Do you accept this rule?  Accepted  Waived

\*Reason for not accepting Rule 319a-4:

youth scratch tournament

\* Required information

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Even though youth competition is selected earlier in this process, when waiving these two screens open up a box for a reason why these are being waived. With USBC help, the words **youth scratch tournament** should be entered in both. Click Next

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Please provide the following rule information:

**Assigned Averages - Rule 319b**

An entrant without an acceptable average will bowl scratch unless the rules specify a minimum average that will be assigned.

\*Minimum Averages will be assigned?  Yes  No

\* Required information

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Waive and click Next.

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Please provide the following rule information:

**Prize Reporting - Rule 319d**

Rule 319d requires an entrant to report previous prize winnings of \$600 or more within the last 12-month period prior to participation.

\*Do you accept this rule?  Accepted  Waived  Other

\* Required information

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Waive and click Next.

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Please provide the following rule information:

**Tournament Averages - Rule 319e**

Rule 319e requires an entrant to report an adjusted tournament average if his/her average for 21 or more tournament games within the last 12-month period prior to participation exceeds his/her entering average by 15 pins or more.

\*Do you accept this rule?  Accepted  Waived  Other

\* Required information

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Waive and click Next.

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Please provide the following rule information:

**Pacers - Rule 323**

\*Does your tournament allow pacers?  Yes  No

\* Required information

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Select and click Next.

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Please provide the following rule information:

**Protests - Rule 329**

Protests involving eligibility or playing rules must be made to tournament management in writing within the time limits in Rule 329. The decision of tournament management will be final unless a written appeal is filed with USBC Headquarters within the time limits in Rule 329.

I ACCEPT

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It is not required to accept or decline this rule. Make your selection and click Next.

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Please provide the following information:

Describe in detail your tournament's format. This detail should include items such as the number of games bowled, definition of the starting and ending points of any blocks, any specialized lane rotation used, or any other special provisions in place such as a step-ladder finals, bracket playoff, etc.

Please limit the amount of information provided to only those things related to the format of your tournament. If you are cutting and pasting text into this box, be advised that space is limited.

\*Tournament Format:

the tournament committee will cut the field to the top 8 teams (or appropriate number based on entries) in each division. Competition will be seeded in matches utilizing the NCAA match-up format (1 vs. 8, 2 vs. 7, etc.). Tie-breakers will be used in seeding where needed.

7. After the meal break, a 10 minute practice session will begin for final team competition. In the event of a tie for the 16th or last qualifying position, there will be a 5th-10th frame Baker roll off between all teams involved. This will repeat until the tie is broken and will occur before the start of the practice session.

8. Teams will bowl head-to-head Baker matches. Best 2 game series winners move on until the field has been reduced to the final four. In the event of a tie in any match, there will be a 5th-10th frame Baker roll off.

9. Winners of the final four matches will roll-off to decide first and second place.

10. A consolation match will be run to decide third and fourth place.

11. Awards will be presented to the top four teams in each division at the completion of competition.

12. This is a fundraising tournament with all proceeds benefiting the Romeo High School Bowling Team.

\* Required information

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When entering your tournament format in this box, the line addressing awards presented must be included. This line is generally included in all tournament entry forms on the MHISCA website. However, to address the tournament fundraising, the line “this is a fundraising tournament with all proceeds benefiting the ... High School Bowling Team” should be added. This line does not need to be part of the format in the entry form. This is the only place in the entire process for noting that this is a fundraising event (per USBC).

**Certification for RHS 2nd Annual Singles Invitat...**

Please review the agreement of terms:

**Agreement of Terms**

By clicking I ACCEPT, I agree to conduct the competition I am requesting USBC certification for under the rules I have submitted. Should I choose to modify these rules in any fashion; I understand I must submit any changes to USBC prior to implementation.

I further understand and agree to comply with the provisions of all USBC rules including Rule 309 which requires the submission of the final prize list, financial statement and any Associate membership dues or participation fees collected to USBC Headquarters within 30 days after the end of the tournament. I understand Rule 309 requires the distribution of all prizes to the winners and the forwarding of any scholarships awarded to SMART within 30 days after the end of the tournament.

I ACCEPT

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This is the final screen. Be sure that all your answers are correct for your tournament before accepting and clicking NEXT. Clicking NEXT starts the process of certification. If everything is OK, you should receive a notification and a link to download the USBC certification for your tournament.