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## Emerald Coast Invitational

[ecitbowl.com](http://ecitbowl.com)

 Emerald Coast Bowling Tournament

### **12 FABULOUS WEEKENDS!!**

#### July

11\* - 12  
17-18-19  
24-25-26  
31-

\*July 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM Only

#### August

- 1 - 2  
7 - 8 - 9  
14-15-16  
21-22-23  
28-29-30

#### September

4 - 5 - 6  
11-12-13  
18-19-20  
25-26-27

## Tournament Director Pam Echternacht

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(850) 689-3278 Voice Only - No Texts

(Please call between 8:00 A.M and 10:00 P.M. Central Time)

Entries close Midnight **June 15, 2026**



3721 Highway 90, Pace, Florida 32571  
(850) 995-9393

ENTER EARLY FOR PREFERRED SQUAD TIMES

# TOURNAMENT RULES

The following rules, plus USBC rules, will govern all bowlers in the Emerald Coast Invitational Tournament (ECIT):

- 1. Bowlers will use their highest 2024-2025 winter certified league (yearbook) average, based on 21 or more games. If the bowler doesn't have said average, the highest 2025-2026 winter average, based on 21 or more games, will be used. If the bowler doesn't have said average, then the highest 2025 summer average, based on 21 or more games, will be used. No sport, challenge, youth, collegiate averages, composite averages, or the like, will be accepted. All others must bowl scratch. THE 10-PIN RULE IS IN EFFECT FOR THE ABOVE AVERAGES. Averages will be verified using the USBC website using the bowler's USBC number. Current cardholders of any professional organization will not be allowed to bowl.**
- 2. USBC Rules 319D and 319E are in full force and effect. (See USBC Playing Rules 2025-2026, pages 76-77.)**
- 3. It is the individual bowler's responsibility** to verify the accuracy of their average whether submitted by the bowler or another individual. Failure to use proper average or make the correction by the 2nd game of bowling may disqualify scores if the submitted average is lower than the actual average to be used, to include averages from USBC Rules 319D and E, and ECIT Rule 2.
- 4.** Only female bowlers can bowl in the Ladies Division and only male bowlers can bowl in the Mens Division. All non-certified bowlers may qualify by purchasing an Associate Membership card for \$25.00. A right-handed bowler with an established right-handed average must bowl right-handed. A left-handed bowler with an established left-handed average must bowl left-handed. A bowler with both right- and left-handed averages must use the highest average.
- 5.** Tournament Management reserves the right to re-rate, prior to bowling any 3-game set, the average of any bowler whose entering average is not comparable to their past tournament average or does not reflect the bowler's true ability. If this re-rated average is not acceptable to the bowler, the entry fee of the remaining events will be returned to the bowler. Bowlers re-rated in accordance with USBC Rule 319 are not eligible for refund of entry fee. Any bowler who has accepted or rejected a re-rate for any tournament must notify the Tournament Management.
- 6.** Entries close **June 15, 2026**, including multiple participation in any event. Fully completed and fully paid entry forms are required by closing date to make entry official, and will be processed in the order in which they are received.
- 7.** Multiple participation is allowed in all of the events, except All-Events. Bowlers must enter both Singles and Doubles if entered in either event. Not more than 3 players on the same team can place more than once in the prize list for position standings. The same doubles partners, and a single entrant, cannot place more than once in the prize list for position standing. The first score bowled in any event counts towards All-Events, if entered.
- 8.** No entry will be accepted without entry fee, **including fees for vacancy bowlers for which substitutes are requested.** Entry fees must be certified check, money order, or credit card. **Entries using credit cards will be charged a 3.0% convenience fee, per transaction.** Entries presenting a bad check will be charged \$45.00 to cover bank charges and expenses per bad check. Any entry fees received which are not honored by issuing authority must be rectified in full before entry can be accepted or said entry will be rejected and returned. No team or individual shall be entitled to a refund after entry fees have been received and dates assigned.
- 9.** Bowlers certified in the **Greater Pensacola USBC** will not be allowed to bowl the last 2 weekends of the ECIT except under one of the following conditions: (A) Team event with 4 other bowlers certified by another association; (B) Doubles event with another bowler certified by another association; (C) As an emergency substitute for an out-of-town bowler.
- 10.** Employees of the house will be allowed to bowl and shall be eligible for all prizes. No more than 3 house employees will be allowed on a team and no more than one house employee to a set of doubles.
- 11.** The bowler whose name appears hereon, or their authorized replacements, hereby agree that the ECIT, its officers and agents, sponsors and host, shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when the bowler shall be prevented from bowling any event in the ECIT due to premature termination of the ECIT brought about by war, national emergency or causes relating to or resulting from fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties, or other causes beyond the control of the ECIT. Prize fund would be based on a prorated basis of the events already completed, at the time of interruption, and there shall be no further liability of the ECIT, its officers and agents, sponsors and host.
- 12.** Extra dates and times will be used if necessary with approval of USBC; however, no squads will be added after the final squad on **September 27, 2026**. Squads may be canceled and bowlers rescheduled if minimum number of entries are not met.
- 13.** Handicap will be based on 90% of 220 per game. Prize ratio is 1:10 in Team, Doubles and Singles; 1:20 in All-Events. Prize fee returned 100%. **Optional Team, Singles and Doubles Scratch prize fund can only be entered if already entered in the Handicap events. Optional Scratch prize fund for Team must include entire team and Optional Scratch prize fund for Doubles must include both partners.**
- 14.** Substitutions will be allowed and must be submitted at least one hour prior to the scheduled time with verification of average. Substitutes shall take the place of the original bowler. Substitutes will be entitled to any prize monies or awards earned from the ECIT. Substitutes will not be liable for any reimbursement of entry fees, prize money or awards to the original bowler. Paid All-Events are not transferable unless substitute replaces the original bowler in all three events.
- 15. This tournament is one lane courtesy and will be enforced in order to promptly start squads as scheduled. Time limits will be 3 hours and 20 minutes for the Team event and 4 hours for the Singles/Doubles event (excluding equipment issues). Bowlers must be ready to bowl when it is their turn or a zero will be given for that frame.**
- 16.** Any bowler arriving late shall begin play and score shall count with the frame then being bowled. All missed frames shall be scored as zero. If a doubles partner has not arrived by the time the singles event has finished, and a substitute cannot be found, the bowler present may bowl the doubles event without a partner in order to qualify for All-Events.
- 17.** Automatic printouts will be the official scores and retained for 24 hours. Any error must be reported within that time. In case of scores lost through computer malfunction, re-bowling will be permitted.
- 18.** All protests must be made to the Tournament Management in writing (USBC Rule 329). Tournament Management reserves the right to accept or reject any or all entries and will decide all questions or disputes arising in the ECIT and that decision will be final, subject to appeal to USBC. See USBC Rule 329.
- 19.** Official prize list and checks will be distributed to group organizers by **October 27, 2026**. In case of tie for first place in any event, co-champions will be declared. When ties occur the prize money will be combined and divided equally among the tied positions. Bowling jerseys will be awarded to the champions in Handicap Team; Doubles; Singles; and All-Events for both divisions.
- 20. ALL BOWLERS ARE EXPECTED TO HONOR HOUSE RULES. BOWLERS CAUGHT BRINGING IN BEVERAGES; FOOD OF ANY KIND; SMOKING OR VAPING IN THE BUILDING MAY BE DISQUALIFIED. Flash photos, portable speakers, and anything else determined to be distracting will not be permitted during tournament play.**

TEAM SCHEDULE

TEAM EVENT	
Date	Time

Saturday

July 11; 18; 25  
August 1; 8; 15; 22; 29  
September 5; 12; 19; 26  
9:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M.

TEAM NAME						
Names and Addresses of Bowlers in Lineup Order - PLEASE PRINT		2024-25 AVG	USBC card #	Team Hdcp \$155	(Optional) Team SCR \$50	Net Paid
1	Full Name of Bowler (Print)					
	Home Address					
	City and State					
	Email & Phone #					
2	Full Name of Bowler (Print)					
	Home Address					
	City and State					
	Email & Phone #					
3	Full Name of Bowler (Print)					
	Home Address					
	City and State					
	Email & Phone #					
4	Full Name of Bowler (Print)					
	Home Address					
	City and State					
	Email & Phone #					
5	Full Name of Bowler (Print)					
	Home Address					
	City and State					
	Email & Phone #					

Group Organizer (Please Print)

Home Address

CityStZip

Email:

Home:Cell:

Group Organizer: Entry form must be FULLY completed to legalize entry of your team. Typewrite or print and furnish all information requested.

I hereby accept full responsibility to provide accurate information (rules; confirmations; prize reports) and distribute prize winnings in accordance with USBC rules.

Signature of Group Organizer

Make Checks and Money Orders Payable to:  
Emerald Coast Invitational Tournament  
Waive Signature Requirement  
Mail to:  
Pam Echternacht  
408 Whirlaway Ct.  
Crestview, FL 32539  
If paying by credit card, use the online portal at www.ecitbowl.com with only a 3% convenience fee.

ENTRY FEE - Per Person Per Event	
Prize Fee	\$15.00
Bowling Fee	\$9.75
Tournament Expense Fee	\$6.25
Total per person per event	\$31.00
All Events (optional-scratch and/or handicap)	\$6.00
Optional Scratch per bowled event	\$10.00

Optional Team Scratch prize fund of \$50 (\$10 per bowler and ENTIRE team must enter) can only be entered if already entered in the handicap event.

SINGLES & DOUBLES SCHEDULES

	FRIDAY	SUNDAY
July	10:30 am, 3:00 pm, 7:30 pm	8:30 am, 1:00 pm
August	17; 24; 31	12; 19; 26
September	7; 14; 21; 28	2; 9; 16; 23; 30
	4; 11; 18; 25	6; 13; 20; 27

SINGLES AND DOUBLES	
Date	Time

DOUBLE ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETE — TWO, FOUR, OR SIX BOWLERS. If your fifth bowler is paired with someone from another team, enter both on this entry form or both on the entry form for the other team. DO NOT SPLIT ON EACH ENTRY FORM. SINGLES AND DOUBLES ENTRIES ONLY		2024-25 AVG	USBC Number	Sgl Hdcp \$31	(Optional) Sgl SCR \$10	Dbls Hdcp \$62	(Optional) Dbls SCR \$20	(Optional) AE Hdcp \$6	(Optional) AE SCR \$6	Net Paid
Lead Off:										
Anchor:										
Lead Off:										
Anchor:										
Lead Off:										
Anchor:										
Please total each category and transfer to the area below.										

Check here if you need a Doubles Partner and: ☐

**SEND ALL ENTRY FEES INCLUDING SUBSTITUTE'S FEES**

Optional Doubles or Singles scratch prize fund (\$10 per event per bowler) can only be entered if already entered in the handicap event.

TEAM HANDICAP:	\$		TEAM SCRATCH:	\$	
SINGLES HANDICAP:	\$		SINGLES SCRATCH:	\$	
DOUBLES HANDICAP:	\$		DOUBLES SCRATCH:	\$	
ALL EVENTS HANDICAP:	\$		ALL EVENTS SCRATCH:	\$	

Lanes will be conditioned for every squad

Brackets will include both Scratch and Handicap ~ Traditional and Reverse

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$