The Southern Bowling Congress, Inc.

89th Annual Handicap Tournament

Memphis, Tennessee



Certified by the United States Bowling Congress, hosted by the Memphis Area USBC

TEAM EVENT (5-Member Team)
Lucky Strike Bartlett
6276 Stage Rd
Bartlett, TN 38134
(901) 252-1594
www.luckystrikeent.com

Sponsored By
Brunswick®

SINGLES & DOUBLES EVENT
Billy Hardwick's All Star Lanes
1576 S White Station Rd
Memphis, TN 38117
(901) 683-2695
www.billyhardwicks.com

TOURNAMENT DATES

March 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, April 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 2027
First Priority to SBC Board Members on April 2, 3, 4, 2027
Reserved Entry Deadline for Board Members is December 1, 2026
NO LOCAL BOWLERS APRIL 2-4, 2027 UNLESS SQUADS NEED FILLING
Limited Amount of Space For Non Board Members During April 2, 3, 4, 2027
Non Board Member Entries Requesting April 2-4, 2027 Will Not Be Processed Until After December 1, 2026
ALL ENTRIES NEED TO SUBMIT 2ND CHOICES FOR DATES AND TIMES
Estimated Prize Fund: $121,000
(Based on 500 Teams, 1000 Doubles, 2000 Singles, 1800 All Events)

ENTRIES CLOSE JANUARY 31, 2027 (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Prize Fund Returned 100%
Optional Scratch events and Brackets Available
(Lanes will be fresh for every squad)

Senior Divisions (age 55 and above) is based on bowler's age as of January 31, 2027
Please Observe Rule 14 (Dress Code)

The Southern Bowling Congress has awarded over $220,000 in Scholarships Awards since 1999

Make Checks Payable to:

SBC TOURNAMENT 2027

Laura Madsen
Tournament Director
4920 Bending Trail
Arlington, TN 38002

Email: manager@memphisbowling.org
Phone: 901-490-3539

ENTRIES CAN BE DOWNLOADED AT:

www.southernbowlingcongress.org

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MEMPHIS HOTEL INFORMATION

Canopy By Hilton
164 Union Avenue
Memphis TN 38103
(901) 401-5072
King and Queen Double rooms - $169 per night

Courtyard by Marriott East/Park Avenue
6015 Park Avenue
Memphis, TN 38119
(901) 781-0330
King rooms $119 per night / Queen Double rooms $124 per night

Double Tree by Hilton Memphis
5069 Sanderlin Avenue
Memphis, TN 98117
(901) 969-6712
King and Queen Double rooms - $149 per night

Holiday Inn & Suites – Wolfchase Galleria
2751 New Brunswick Rd
Memphios, TN 38133
(901) 401-5072
King and Queen Double rooms - $139 per night

Hilton Memphis
930 Ridge lake Blvd
Memphis, TN 38120
(901) 684-6664
King and Queen Double rooms - $149 per night

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
7784 Wolf Trail Cove
Germantown, TN 38138
(901) 309-6700
King rooms $129 per night / Queen Double rooms - $139 per night

Four Points by Sheraton Memphis East
5877 Poplar Ave
Memphis, TN 38119
Phone: (901) 767-6300
King and Queen Doubles $108 plus taxes

Links to the Hotels are available on our website
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TEAM (5-Members)		SQUAD DATES AND TIME	SINGLES & DOUBLES	
8:00am	1:00pm	Saturday March 6, 13, 20, April 3, 10	8:00 am	1:30 pm
8:00am	1:00pm	Sunday March 7, 14, 21, April 4, 11	8:00 am	1:30 pm
	2:00pm	Friday April 2		2:00pm

First Priority to SBC Board Members on April 2, 3, & 4, 2027. See 1st Page of Entry.

TEAM NAME			ASSOCIATION NAME				Date of Birth for Seniors (Mo/Da/Yr)
	CERTIFIED USBC NAMES	USBC Number	MAIL ADDRESS W/CITY-STATE & ZIP (USE SEPARATE PAPER IF NEEDED)	Average	Team	TEAM SCRATCH (Opt. $10 each)	
1					$30		
2					$30		
3					$30		
4					$30		
5					$30		
6							

IF DATE OF BIRTH FOR SENIORS IS NOT INCLUDED, SENIORS ON THIS ENTRY ARE INELIGIBLE!!!!
SENIORS HAVE TO BE 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER BY 2/1/27 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SR. EVENTS.

	CERTIFIED USBC NAMES IN LINEUP ORDER	USBC NO.	AVERAGE	Doubles Hdcp No ½ entry $30 Each	Doubles Scratch (Opt) No ½ entry $10 Each	Singles Hdcp $30	Singles Scratch (Opt) $10	All Events Hdcp (Opt) $6	All Events Scratch (Opt) $6	Seniors Singles Hdcp (Opt) $10	Seniors All Events Hdcp (Opt) $6
1											
2											
1											
2											
1											
2											

FEES	Team	Doubles	Singles	All Events Hdcp	All Events Scratch	Seniors Singles (Opt.)	Seniors All Events (Opt.)
Bowling Fee	$60.00	$24.00	$12.00				
Prize Fee	$75.00	$30.00	$15.00	$4.50	$4.50	$9.50	$4.50
Expense Fee	$15.00	$6.00	$3.00	$1.50	$1.50	$.50	$1.50
TOTAL	**$150.00**	**$60.00**	**$30.00**	**$6.00**	**$6.00**	**$10.00**	**$6.00**

Team		Singles/Doubles	
Date & Time 1st Choice		Date & Time 1st Choice	
Date & Time 2nd Choice		Date & Time 2nd Choice	

ENTRIES CLOSE January 31, 2027 (NO EXCEPTIONS)

TEAM CAPTAIN INFORMATION (Please Print)
IF A SBC RESERVED ENTRY, PROVIDE NAME OF OFFICER

Name:_____
Address:_____
City:_____ St____ Zip_____
Phone:_____
Email Address:_____
(Email address will be used for confirmations when possible)

Secretary Signature:_____

Above Avgs. certified correct by Assoc. Manager/League Sec.

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ENTRY NUMBER

TEAM HDCP	$
TEAM SCRATCH	$
DOUBLES HDCP	$
DOUBLES SCRATCH	$
SINGLES HDCP	$
SINGLES SCRATCH	$
ALL EVENTS HDCP	$
ALL EVENTS SCRATCH	$
SENIOR SINGLES	$
SENIOR ALL EVENTS	$
TOTAL MONEY DUE	$
TOTAL MONEY RECEIVED	$
BALANCE DUE	$

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE PROPER FEES ATTACHED

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TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Eligibility** - This tournament is open to all adult members of the United States Bowling Congress. USBC Rules and Regulations will govern this tournament. Entrants must have a current USBC card or purchase a USBC membership at the tournament site. Second Choice for Squad Dates and Times Shall be completed on all entries. **BE PREPARED TO SHOW USBC CARD UPON REQUEST!**
2. **Multiple Participation** - Bowlers may bowl only one time in the Singles & Doubles events. Bowlers may bowl three times in the Team event, but no more than three (3) bowlers may repeat on the same team. Bowler's first appearance in the Team event shall count towards the All Events score. **Teams will consist of 5 members**.
3. **Participation** - Bowlers must enter both the Handicap Singles and Handicap Doubles events to enter either. Half (1/2) entries in the Handicap Singles and Handicap Doubles will not be accepted. Half (1/2) entries in scratch doubles will not be accepted. Optional Senior Singles and Optional Senior All-Events are available to those who will be 55 years of age or older at time of tournament entry closing date. **IF DATE OF BIRTH FOR SENIORS IS NOT INCLUDED, SENIORS ON THIS ENTRY WILL BE INELIGIBLE.**
   No Local *Bowlers will be allowed during SBC Meeting Weekend (April 2, 3, & 4, 2027) unless squads need filling*.
4. **Entry Fees** - No entry will be accepted without entry fees. No refunds will be made after the entry has been received and scheduled to bowl. **EMAILED ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**
5. **Averages** – A bowler will use their **HIGHEST** 21 game or more sanctioned average from the 2025-2026 season **from the following 3 USBC book averages (Highest of their winter, summer or composite average)**. **USE WHICHEVER AVERAGE IS HIGHEST**. If a bowler has no previous winter or summer league average, the highest current average as of January 1, 2027 for 21 or more games shall be used and the League Standing Sheets as of 1/1/27 shall be submitted for verification. Bowlers must also report if their current league average as of January 1, 2027 for at least 21 games, is 10 or more pins higher than their entering average as defined above and a League Standing Sheets as of 1/1/27 shall be submitted for verification. Bowlers without an acceptable average will use a 220 scratch average. Youth and High School averages will not be accepted. Sport Bowling Averages must be reported to tournament management prior to bowling. If the adjusted Sports League Average is higher than their entering average defined above, that average will be used as the entering average. **IT SHALL BE EACH BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE SUBMITTED AVERAGE. FAILURE TO USE THE CORRECT AVERAGE SHALL DISQUALIFY SCORE, IF SUBMITTED AVERAGE IS LOWER THAN THE CORRECT AVERAGE THEREBY RESULTING IN MORE HANDICAP. PRIZE WINNINGS SHALL BE BASED ON THE SUBMITTED AVERAGE IF IT IS HIGHER THAN THE CORRECT AVERAGE.**
6. **Average Verification** - The League Secretary or Association Secretary must certify all averages as correct. Bowlers without certified averages will be considered a 220 bowler and receive no handicap.
7. **Handicap** - The handicap will be 90% of the difference between a bowler's average and 220. **A minimum average of 125 shall be used for handicapping purposes (maximum handicap 256 per event).**
8. **Prize Reporting** - A bowler who has qualified for a prize of $300 or more in any event in a tournament within the previous 12 month period must report this actual score, position and amount won to the Tournament Manager at time of entry.
9. **Re-rate** - All bowlers subject to re-rating in accordance with USBC Rule 319e must submit required tournament scores and prize money won. Tournament reserves the right to re-rate the average of any bowler whose entering average does not reflect the bowler's ability. Bowlers who have been re-rated in previous tournaments of any kind should report the re-rate when sending in their entry, even if the rerate was not accepted by the bowler.
10. **Substitutions** - Substitutions will be authorized after the completion of a substitution form by the team captain or appointee. Substitutions should be made at least one (1) hour in advance of the scheduled bowling time. All Events may be transferred only if the substitute bowls all three (3) events as a substitute for the same bowler.
11. **Prizes** - Prize ratio will be at least one (1) prize for each eight (8) entries for Team, Doubles and Singles and at least one (1) prize for each twenty (20) entries in the ALL EVENTS for both the handicap and optional scratch divisions. All prize money will be returned 100%. All Events expense fee includes $1.50 for SBC Scholarship Fund. All members of the team and both doubles partners must enter, when entering the optional scratch events. Optional scratch events can only be entered if already entered in the handicap events.
12. **Official Score** - The signed recap sheet will be the official score.
13. **Management** - The Southern Bowling Congress reserves the right to refuse any or all entries. Any bowler who has been disqualified from a previous Southern Bowling Congress (SBC) Tournament will not be allowed to participate in future SBC Tournaments.
14. **Tournament Dress Code** - While competing, proper attire shall include shirts with sleeves, dress slacks or jeans, and dress shorts. No tank tops, denim shorts or cutoffs, swimsuits, spandex, or dresses. NO OBSCENE ATTIRE. All issues with regard to proper attire will be decided upon by tournament management. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
15. **Scheduling** - First priority will be given to Officers, Directors, Hall of Fame Members, Life Members and Delegates on meeting weekend. Out of town entries will be given time preferences. Singles and doubles will be scheduled with a maximum of three(3) entries to a pair of lanes. Doubles will be bowled first and all six (6) games will be bowled on the same pair of lanes. Additional squads may be added, if necessary. Squad times shown on entry represent beginning of scoring.