

# 2012 OPEN HIGH "5" TOURNAMENT

USBC CERTIFIED

El Mark O Lanes, Casper, WY

June 1-3, 2012

(Changes from last year's rules are listed in RED)

1. Tournament held weekend after Memorial Day each year.

2. **Entry Deadline: May 20, 2012 (including entry fees).**

NOTE: Bowlers may bowl both the Open High 5 and the Senior High 5 if they qualify and wish to do so. If more than 24 teams in one division register, a qualifier will be held. Hosting center will stand the cost of this qualifier. Entries returned to any team not qualifying for tournament.

3. Tournament is a five member scratch event. All entering teams must come from a WBPA member center as of the time of competition. All entrants must hold a current season USBC membership card **and be in good standing in their center.**

4. Method of selecting "Open Hi 5" team in center: USBC sanctioned averages in center with a minimum of **66** games as a regular paying member in one league as of **May 15, 2012**. Only one team per division will be allowed from any WBPA member center.

5. Two divisions: men and women. All teams will bowl 10 games - 6 on Saturday, 4 on Sunday. Each game except the first is a position round. The match point system will be used - two for individual win, five for each team win. If an odd number of teams are participating, the last three teams will vie for two sets of points. Team on the odd numbered lane will set their lineup first each match, then opposition may set their lineup after which be no change may be made. Total points to determine winner and position. In the event of a tie for any cash position, prize monies will be totaled and split evenly among all teams involved in the tie. In case of a tie for championship, a one game roll off will be held with one set of points (15) being divided - two for individual win and five for series - among all teams involved to determine the winner. No reracks allowed without approval of an official - if ten pins are standing, it is considered a legal rack (Penalty: could cause 0 score for that frame).

6. In the event of an emergency (determined by the tournament committee), substitutions will be allowed in accordance with the qualifying rules.

7. Payoff will be at least 1 for 4 teams, or major fraction thereof. Prize fund will be returned 100% - one half of places paid to large centers, the other half to small centers (**see rule 8**). Premature termination of the tournament brought about by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating to fire, natural disaster or any other reason beyond the control of the Wyoming Bowling Proprietors Association shall cause, to the extent required thereby, all advertised prizes, guaranteed or otherwise, to be prorated on the number of entrants who have bowled in each of the respective events up to the time of such termination.

8. Small centers defined as having 12 or less lanes and being the only center in town **unless a small center has one or more bowlers on their team who reside in a large population area and has a large center in that town. This will change the small center status to a large center for both men and women teams.**

9. Tournament schedule:

Free practice session, Friday - 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., followed by light hors d'oeuvres at tournament expense.

Saturday - Check-in 30 minutes before bowling

Women Bowl: 9:00 am

Men Bowl: 3:30 pm

Sunday - Check-in 30 minutes before bowling

Women Bowl: 8:30 am

Men Bowl: 1:00 pm

10. Team captains are responsible for verifying all scores recorded on score sheets and keeping track of total team points. Once the next round of matches begins, corrections cannot be made in team bowled.

11. Entry Fee: \$90 per person

Bowling/Expense \$40.00

Prize Fund - \$50.00

**NO refunds will be given after May 27 unless deemed an emergency by the tournament committee**

**The team winning the most POINTS will receive \$50 immediately after each match on Sunday – ties broken by total pins!!**

12. Champions will be the dinner guests of the WBPA at the Bowling Jamboree in September where they will receive their symbolic awards.

13. Appropriate apparel must be worn by all participants (no sloppy or torn clothes will be allowed).

14. Tournament is USBC sanctioned. All matters not covered by these rules will be determined by the tournament committee in accordance with USBC general playing and tournament rules.

15. Unmarried grade or high school students who have not reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday must have a parental consent from on file with the tournament director prior to competing.