

**FREMONT NIKKEI
INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT
32nd Annual**

4th Street Bowl
1441 N. 4th St.
San Jose, CA 95112
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OPEN DOUBLES EVENT
Lane Pattern – Kegel Big Ben

DECEMBER 1–2, 2018

USBC MORALLY CERTIFIED

FREMONT NIKKEI BOWLING ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT RULES (2018)

1. Eligible bowlers
 - A. Nikkei bowlers
 - B. Non-Nikkei bowlers married to a Nikkei
 - C. Non-Nikkei current members (15 or more games as of 12/1/2018) in a recognized Nisei/Nikkei league or association.
2. All NCNBF approved tournaments shall be morally certified under USBC Rule 302. All participants must be current (2018-2019) USBC members. Unless otherwise specified, USBC rules and regulations will govern situations not covered by the tournament rules.
3. Tournament entering average shall be (minimum of 21 games)
 - (a) Highest 2017-2018 book average (5/31/2018)
 - (b) Highest 2016-2017 book average (5/31/2017) with 5-pin drop rule in effect.
 - (c) The highest known current league average, 21 games or more as of tournament entry deadline. Proof must be furnished.
 - (d) If no previous or current average, highest 2018 certified summer average (21 games or more). Proof must be furnished.
 - (e) Non-Certified league averages will be used
 - (f) If none of the above, bowlers must bowl scratch (no handicap).
 - (g) Minimum entering average for men is 150, women is 125.

Note: 5-pin drop rule is interpreted as follows: If current book average is lower than the previous year by five pins or less, current book will be used. If current book is six or more pins lower than previous year's book, use previous year's book less five pins.
4. Except where noted, the following will apply to all participants:
 - (a) USBC Rules 319a, (1), (3), and (5) applies. Rule 319a (2) and (4) does not apply. USBC 319d applies, USBC 319e does not apply.
 - (b) Bowlers whose total prize winnings was \$350 (including team events) in one or more NCNBF association tournaments (San Jose, Fremont, San Francisco, Sacramento, Eden) during the 12 months (see Note 1 for exception) preceding the tournament start date, shall be adjusted per NCNBF Form 101 Amend 5.

Note: 1. If the official prize list of the current season is not yet available, the previous years list will be used; the "12-month period" being waived. Except when an appeal/protest is filed with the USBC, the prize list shall be official thirty (30) days subsequent to the last scheduled date of the tournament. All prize lists shall be dated accordingly.

© The 5-pin drop rule is not applicable if, within the scope of the specified time limit, a bowler's total prize winnings was \$350 or more. Adjustments will be based on 2016/2017 or 2017/2018 book average, whichever is higher.
5. Handicap shall be based on 80% of 220 for men, and 90% of 220 for women.
6. A bowler may bowl with the same doubles partner more than once, but the team may cash only once.
7. Doubles shall consist of any combination of gender. Non-Nisei bowlers are permitted to bowl together, providing they meet the rules as stated in rule 1.
8. Bowlers must bowl in the order listed. Substitutes must bowl in the position of the original entrant.

9. Tournament committee decisions will be final. Appeals must be made in accordance with USBC Rule 329.
10. No entries accepted after the closing date or squads are full.
11. Prize list shall be posted before start of tournament. 100% of prize fund shall be paid and distributed within 30 days of close of tournament. Ratio of prize fund will be at least one per eight entries. There will be only one prize fund for the Doubles event.
12. Entry forms neither completely filled in nor properly signed shall be rejected. Entry fee must accompany all entries.
13. Captains of teams entered must report at least one hour before squad time to check-in a report of any substitutions on the roster. No changes in the order of bowling shall be permitted.
14. All bowlers shall be properly attired and live up to the good sportsmanship that Nikkei bowlers have established.
15. Tournament Committee has the right to adjust the average of any bowler.
16. All averages will be verified using Bowl.com and USBC#.

General Notes:

1. **TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO RE-ADJUST ANY BOWLER'S AVERAGE.** The bowler shall be notified before he/she bowls. If the re-adjustment is not accepted, their entry fee shall be refunded after the conclusion of the tournament.
2. **Average verifications are not necessary.** All bowlers will use averages as listed on the USBC website, BOWL.COM

ONE (1) LANE COURTESY WILL BE OBSERVED.

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