

**RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE POLISH ROMAN CATHOLIC UNION OF AMERICA  
67TH NATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Entrants MUST BE bonafide PRCUA members as of February 16, 2004. Membership will be verified by the home office.

Anyone under suspension from, or who has been refused membership in the American Bowling Congress (ABC) or Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC) is not eligible to participate.

Unmarried high school students must have a parental consent form signed prior to competing in the tournament.

ABC/WIBC membership is **NOT** required to participate in the tournament. However, the tournament will be conducted under an ABC/WIBC Moral Support Sanction, with award recognition automatically extended to members. Eligible non-members may qualify for ABC/WIBC award recognition by paying affiliate membership dues of \$16.00 for ABC, or \$25.00 for WIBC prior to the tournament. This entitles you to full ABC/WIBC privileges through the 2004-2005 bowling season, which includes the 2005 PRCUA National Tournament.

**EVENTS:** Each event (Singles, Doubles, Team) will consist of three games. There will be separate divisions for men and women. No mixed teams will be permitted.

Bowlers may enter each event only once. Bowlers entering the doubles event must enter the singles event (and vice versa). The singles event will precede the doubles event.

No lineup changes will be allowed at the tournament site. Names must be listed in bowling order on the entry form.

Bowlers entering all three events are automatically eligible for all events prizes (scratch and handicap), furnished by the PRCUA. A bowler's all events score is the grand total of all nine games bowled in the tournament.

**AVERAGE:** Submit your highest current season league average as of January 1, 2004, and your highest final average from the 2002-2003 season as it appeared in your local association yearbook (available at all bowling centers). Both averages must be based on 21 or more games in a sanctioned league. Your entering average for the tournament will be your current league average. Your yearbook average will be used instead if it is 10 or more pins higher or if you do not have a current league average.

If you have no league average, then your highest average from the last two PRCUA national tournaments will be used. If you did not participate in those tournaments, then your highest available PRCUA national tournament average will be used. If no such average exists, you will be given the default average of 160 for men or 130 for women.

Sport bowlers must comply with ABC/WIBC Rule 205 regarding average adjustment. ABC/WIBC Rule 319e regarding average rerating will apply to all entrants. Your average may need to be adjusted upward if you have bowled in 21 or more tournament games since April 18, 2003. ABC/WIBC Rule 319d regarding reporting of prior prize winnings will not be in effect.

Each individual is responsible for submitting correct averages. The tournament director reserves the right to ascertain any information regarding averages.

If a submitted average is incorrect and results in more handicap, the bowler will be disqualified and all prize money will be forfeited, including prizes for teammates. If a submitted average is incorrect and results in less handicap, then no changes will be made. If you need to correct an average that was given on the entry form, or if the rerating rule applies to you, please contact the tournament director prior to the tournament.

**HANDICAP:** Handicap will be 80% of the difference between the bowler's average and 210. Team handicap will be the sum of the individual handicaps.

**PRIZES:** A complete cash prize list will be mailed to each entrant approximately three weeks prior to the tournament. The prize fee portion of the entry fee will be returned 100%. At least one cash prize will be awarded for every five entries. In addition, the PRCUA and/or the host bowling center may furnish merchandise prizes.

Only one prize for series will be awarded to a team or individual in each event. If a series qualifies for both a scratch and handicap prize, the larger prize will be awarded. The scratch prize will be awarded in the case of equal prizes.

A cash prize of \$1,500.00 will be awarded to the first person to bowl a 300 game in the team event. Two or more bowlers with a 300 game in the same game will split the cash equally. Scores of 300 in the same game will be considered simultaneous, regardless of squad time or who is the first to finish.

**ENTRIES:** Entries close Monday, February 16, 2004, and must be postmarked by Tuesday, February 17, 2004. The total entry fee must accompany the entry form. No entry fees will be returned after the closing date.

**SCHEDULE:** Every effort will be made to assign bowling times according to the preferences indicated on the entry forms. A schedule listing the assigned times will be mailed to each entrant along with the prize list.

Tardy bowlers will start in the frame being bowled with zero being given for each frame missed. This rule may be waived by the tournament director in cases of emergency.

**CHECK IN:** A representative from each team must check in at the tournament office at least 30 minutes prior to the assigned bowling time in the team event. All bowlers must check in prior to the singles/doubles events.

**TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT:** The tournament director, Ralph Stempinski, is responsible for all technical aspects of the tournament, including resolving all disputes according to tournament or ABC/WIBC rules. Please call the PRCUA Fraternal Department at 1-800-772-8632 and leave a message if you have questions about the tournament.

The tournament director will attempt to arrange for teammates, or will attempt to add you to a team, if requested.

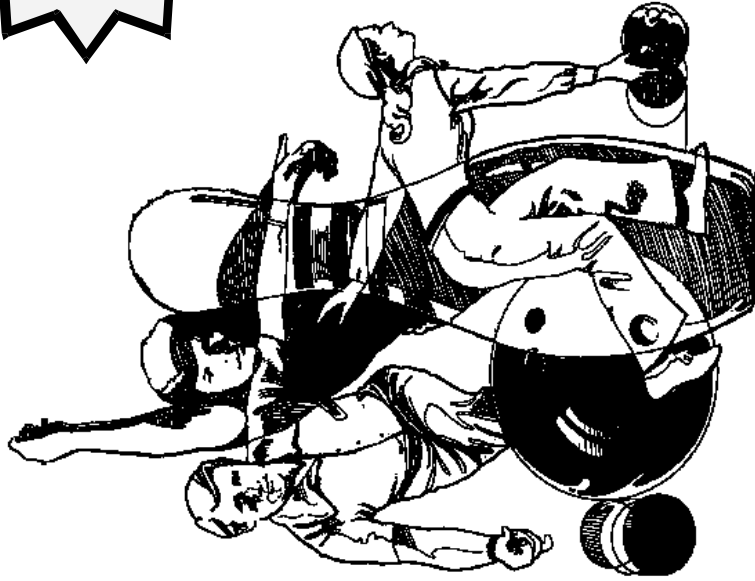
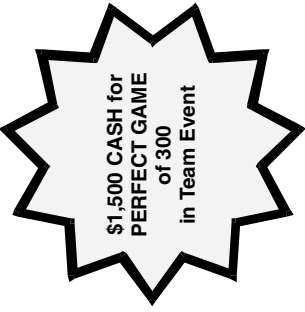
**ABC/WIBC RULES:** This tournament will be conducted in accordance with all ABC/WIBC rules, which govern in any case not covered above.

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67th National Bowling Tournament  
Entry Form and Rules**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 16 THROUGH SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2004**

**Hosted by Father Al's Society #1493**

**CHERRY HILL LANES**  
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Sanctioned by ABC and WIBC  
(Moral Support Sanction)

Handicap: 80% of difference  
between average and 210

**Entries Close  
Monday,  
February 16, 2004**