

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When does the PWBA Tour season begin?

The 2022 season starts with the PWBA Rockford Open on May 12-15 at The Cherry Bowl in Rockford, Illinois. The season will conclude with the PWBA Tour Championship, which will take place in August.

Do I have to be a PWBA member to compete in an event?

No. Guests will be allowed to compete in all PWBA events in which they are eligible but will pay the full entry fee (see next question for entry costs). PWBA members are entitled to a \$100 discount for all PWBA Standard events.

How much does it cost to enter each event?

The entry fee for PWBA Standard events is \$300 for members and \$400 for non-members. Entry for the USBC Queens is \$350 until April 22 and \$400 beginning April 23. The entry fee for players earning a spot at the U.S. Women's Open is \$400. The entry fee for a PWBA Regional event is \$100 for members and \$150 for non-members.

How much does a PWBA membership cost and what are the benefits?

A PWBA membership costs \$300 for the 2022 season. PWBA members will receive the following benefits:

- \$100 entry-fee discount on PWBA Standard/Classic events
- \$50 entry-fee discount on PWBA Regional events
- Entry priority for PWBA Standard/Classic events
- Discounted practice rates at official PWBA Practice Centers
- A free PWBA award ring for a player's first 300 bowled during PWBA event
- The right to receive a PWBA champion banner for winning a PWBA national tour event
- The right to transport equipment on the PWBA Player Services truck (transport fees apply)
- A personalized membership card
- Five PWBA bag tags
- The right to wear the logo of a pro shop or business they own (subject to PWBA Product Registration rules)
- Complimentary subscription to Bowlers Journal International and BowITV
- The ability to participate in the BowITV Referral Program
- Discount on PWBA merchandise through ShopPWBA.com

Go to PWBA.com to learn more and to submit a PWBA application.

Is there a limit on the number of players for an event?

Yes, but the limit is based on the number of lanes in the host center and varies by event. PWBA members also have a 21-day priority over guests for all PWBA Standard events.

How do entries work at PWBA Regional events?

PWBA members and female guests who average 180 or higher (excluding past PWBA National Tour champions) may enter a PWBA Regional event.

The entry field for PWBA Regional events will be set to accommodate the maximum number of competitors, subject to the number of lanes available and no more than five (5) competitors assigned to any pair of lanes. PWBA members will enter at PWBA Regional events at member pricing. Guests will enter at guest pricing. Entries will close 24 hours prior to the start of the event, however, the tournament director has the right to accept entries after the 24-hour deadline.

What equipment can I use during PWBA competition?

Only registered products may be used during PWBA competition. A full list can be found on the Product Registration page of PWBA.com.

What rule changes were made for the 2022 PWBA season?

A complete copy of the Official PWBA Rules and Regulations can be found on PWBA.com. Here are some key rule changes that will start in 2022:

P. 5 – Guest Entry Policy: Added a clause for youth bowlers that allows them to participate in additional events beyond the two-cash limit, so long as their prize money earnings are deferred to a SMART scholarship account.

P. 6 – Media Appearances: Updated to require notification of the appearance to PWBA staff.

P. 26 – Rookie of the Year criteria: Updated the criteria for Rookie of the Year so that it matches the new Guest Entry Policy rule.

I see there will be an event near me. How much does it cost to attend a PWBA tournament?

Ticket prices are determined by the PWBA event host. The PWBA Tour schedule can be found [here](#), and more information can be found by clicking the "Details" link on the event.

How do I enter a PWBA event?

Links to enter PWBA events can be found on the tournament details pages under the Schedule section of PWBA.com. Tournament registration opens in early February for the first set of PWBA Standard events. Event registration links for the USBC Queens and U.S. Women's Open are available on BOWL.com when those events are open for registration.

Will there be any Bowl with the Pros events or appearances by players at each stop?

Yes, most events will have a Bowl with the Pros event for fans to meet the stars of the PWBA Tour. Check with the host bowling center for additional information.

Can I watch the PWBA Tour on TV?

The stepladder finals of seven PWBA Tour events will be nationally televised on CBS Sports Network in 2022. Events not nationally televised will have the stepladder finals broadcast live on BowITV. BowITV also will have complete coverage of all preliminary rounds. The [PWBA Tour schedule](#) will have complete details on each event.

I think my center would be a great place for a PWBA tournament. How are venues determined?

If you or someone you know would like to host a PWBA tournament, please contact Robyn Graves at Robyn.Graves@bowl.com.

Our local association would really like to help. Do you need any volunteers?

PWBA host centers provide volunteers to help at PWBA tournaments. If you would like to volunteer, please contact one of the host centers by clicking [here](#) and let them know you would like to help.

If I have other questions, who can I contact?

We would love to hear from you. Click [here](#) to send us your thoughts.