

# New Tournament Average Rule

11. AVERAGES: a. Use Alabama state tournament average based on a minimum of 27 games bowled in Alabama state handicap tournaments over the previous five years. The State tournament average can be found on the Alabama USBC website ([www.alabamastatebowling.com](http://www.alabamastatebowling.com)).

b. If no Alabama state tournament average, use the highest certified league average consisting of at least twenty-one (21) or more games for the 2023-24 winter or summer season.

c. The ten-pin rule applies to averages used in (b) above. A bowler having a current season average of twenty-one (21) or more games in a sanctioned league as of January 1 that is ten (10) or more pins higher than (b) his/her highest certified league average from 2023-24 must use the current season's average in this tournament.

d. A bowler without an average during the 2023-24 season may use the highest current season average based on at least twenty-one (21) or more games bowled in a sanctioned league prior to January 1. Written verification is required.

e. A bowler who does not qualify under the above conditions must enter with an average of 220.

f. It is each bowler's individual responsibility to ensure compliance with USBC Rules 319a, b, c, d, and e concerning averages.