

General requirements for each USBC Hall of Fame category

***Applications must be submitted electronically using the online portal.**

MERITORIOUS SERVICE – ASSOCIATION/ADMINISTRATION

Submit the completed application with a maximum of two (2) additional sheets for explanation and one (1) letter of recommendation. Apps exceeding five (5) pages will be returned unread.

Please be advised the USBC Hall of Fame Committee will consider nominees whose national service has culminated with extraordinary results, achievements or contributions to the sport of bowling. Do not submit state or local service/achievements/honors.

Answers to the questions below are to be submitted on a separate piece of paper. Any details beyond what is asked for below should be included within the maximum of two (2) pages as stated above.

Association/Administration Service

- A. USBC (ABC/WIBC/YABA) – provide years
 - 1. National office(s) held
 - 2. National committee service, provide years as chairman
- B. USBC National accomplishments, achievements and contributions with results – provide years.
- C. Other National Bowling Organizations Service (BPAA/PBA/PWBA, etc.) and International Bowling Organizations Service – provide years.
 - 1. Office(s) held
 - 2. Committee service – provide years as chairman
 - 3. Achievements and contributions – be specific as possible.
- D. Special Bowling Honors – provide years
- E. For non-association or non-organization nominees, please list key accomplishments, contributions, inventions, etc. in regard to the progression of the sport of bowling - provide years.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE – COACHING

Submit the completed application with a maximum of two (2) additional sheets for explanation and three (3) letters of recommendation. Applications exceeding seven (7) pages will be returned unread.

Please be advised the USBC Hall of Fame Committee will consider nominees whose national service has culminated with extraordinary results, achievements or contributions to the sport of bowling. Do not submit state, local or regional achievements/honors.

Answers to the questions below are to be submitted on a separate piece of paper. Any details beyond what is asked for below should be included within the maximum of two (2) pages as stated above.

Coaching

During his/her tenure as a coach, the nominee must have assisted bowlers by developing their skills and knowledge of the sport through analytical training, instructions in relevant skills, and providing encouragement. Nominees must show they have made a significant impact toward the improvement and growth of the sport of bowling.

- A. Certification – must have a USBC Silver level or higher.
 - 1. Certification levels with date(s) earned.
 - 2. Must have a minimum of 15 years of active coaching. Provide years.
- B. Coaching history – provide years and dates
 - 1. High School
 - 2. Collegiate
 - 3. National/International teams
 - 4. Professional tour
 - 5. Document level of success of former and/or current students.
- C. Describe how their knowledge of the mechanics of bowling was taught (ball fit, layouts, lane conditions)
 - 1. Bowling camps or clinics
 - 2. Seminars
 - 3. Published books or articles

Submit up to three (3) letters of recommendation from students attesting to the nominee's coaching techniques, interactions with people, mental preparation and impact on student's performance on and off the lanes. Letters must be 250 words or less

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

The Committee may waive these requirements based on a nominee's career being shortened by reasons beyond his/her control. The following information is to be provided:

- 1. Nominee must be 40 years of age as of January 1 of the year of induction.
- 2. Nominee must have participated in a USBC-approved event for at least twenty (20) years.
If the nominee competed in both USBC and professional events in the same year, that year counts as one (1) year.
 - i. USBC Open Championships (ABC Championships Tournament)
 - ii. USBC Women's Championships (WIBC Championships Tournament)
 - iii. USBC Masters
 - iv. USBC Queens
 - v. USBC Senior Masters
 - vi. USBC Senior Queens

- vii. U.S. Open
- viii. U.S. Women's Open
- ix. One (1) year as a touring professional.
- 3. Nominee must have two (2) of the following:
 - i. Professional titles (PBA, PWBA, LPBT): Minimum of three (3) national **or** at least one (1) major.
 - ii. World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA) title: Minimum of three (3).
 - iii. Male nominee: USBC/ABC 200 average for twenty (20) years
 - iv. Female nominee: USBC/WIBC 190 average for twenty (20) years
 - v. List a minimum of five (5) top-10 finishes in the USBC-approved qualifying events (Item 2 above).

Additional accomplishments in national, international and other important bowling events, with years provided, may be considered by the Committee.

Bowling Performance

Be as specific as possible in providing the list of the name of event and/or category, year, finish position and individual score(s). Provide information on a separate sheet(s) of paper and identify by item letter.

- A. USBC/ABC/WIBC Championships titles and top-10 finishes (Open and Women's Championships).
- B. Other titles and top-10 finishes in the appropriate USBC approved qualifying events.
- C. List the years of participation in the USBC approved qualifying events and the PBA/PWBA/LPBT. Note: Those years in which the nominee competed in both USBC-approved qualifying events and the professional tour are counted as the same year and not two separate years.
- D. International competition, top-3 finishes (WTBA/FIQ) World and Zone, World Cup, Tournament of the Americas, World Games, etc.
- E. Team USA accomplishments and years as Team member and include amateur titles; i.e. National Amateur Champion.
- F. National professional tour titles.
- G. National records, honors and awards; i.e.: Professional Bowler of the Year, Amateur or Collegiate Bowler of the Year, USBC/ABC/WIBC/Bowlers Journal All-America Team.
- H. Additional information.

OUTSTANDING USBC PERFORMANCE

The Committee may waive these requirements based on a nominee's career being shortened by reasons beyond his/her control. The following information is to be provided:

- 1. Nominee must be 40 years of age as of January 1 of the year of induction.
- 2. Nominee must have participated in a USBC-approved event for at least 20 years.
 - a) USBC Open Championships (ABC Championships Tournament)
 - b) USBC Women's Championships (WIBC Championships Tournament)
 - c) USBC Masters
 - d) USBC Queens

- e) USBC Senior Masters
 - f) USBC Senior Queens
 - g) U.S. Open
 - h) U.S. Women's Open
3. Lifetime average and number of years it spans
 4. Must have at least two (2) of the following:
 - a. One USBC title or a minimum of five (5) top-5 finishes at USBC-approved qualifying events
 - b. World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA) or World Bowling title
 - c. Male nominee: 200 average for 20 years in USBC-approved qualifying events
 - d. Female nominee: 190 average for 20 years in USBC-approved qualifying events

Additional accomplishments in national, international and other important bowling events, with years provided, may be considered by the Committee.

Bowling Performance

Be as specific as possible in providing the list of the name of event and/or category, year, finish position and individual score(s). Provide information on a separate sheet(s) of paper and identify by item letter.

- I. USBC/ABC/WIBC Championships titles and top-10 finishes (with year and score)
- J. Other titles and top-10 finishes in the appropriate USBC approved qualifying events.
- K. International competition, top-3 finishes (WTBA/FIQ) World and Zone, World Cup, Tournament of the Americas, World Games, etc.
- L. Team USA accomplishments and years as team member; include amateur titles, i.e. National Amateur Champion
- M. National professional tour titles
- N. Additional information