



2020 PWBA FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- The 2020 Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) has canceled its 2020 PWBA Tour season, including its two major events, the USBC Queens and the U.S. Women's Open.
- The PWBA determined workability concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic and varying nationwide restrictions would not allow the PWBA to conduct full-field tour events.
- Several operational factors were considered, most importantly the feasibility of providing standardized health and safety protocols for PWBA Tour athletes and staff while traveling throughout the country during a time with constantly changing conditions.
- The potential restricted capacity of centers also would affect the ability of the PWBA Tour to conduct events. With pro sporting events currently unable to operate with spectators, PWBA cannot provide its primary host center value of customer engagement through Bowl with the Pros events.
- The PWBA has discussed, and will continue to explore, the possibility of conducting special events later in 2020.

Q: When does the PWBA Tour season begin?

The Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) has canceled its 2020 tour season, including the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Queens and U.S. Women's Open.

Q: Will there be any events in 2020?

The PWBA, a joint operation of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America (BPAA) and USBC, has discussed, and will continue to explore, the possibility of conducting special events later in 2020.

Q. The PBA/PWBA Mixed Doubles still is taking place? How is that event still scheduled?

A. The PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles is not operated by the PWBA. Currently, the event is scheduled to take place July 30-Aug. 2 in Houston and awards a PWBA title if the member of the winning team was a PWBA member in 2019-2020.

Q. What about the PWBA Hall of Fame inductions for 2020?

A. The PWBA will hold the induction ceremony for the 2020 PWBA Hall of Fame Class next year. The 2020 class is comprised of Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Carol Gianotti and Pam Buckner.

Q: Will athletes receive a refund for PWBA events?

A. Yes. PWBA will issue full refunds for paid events, including PWBA Regional events.

Q: Will new members be eligible for Rookie of the Year in 2021 if they paid their membership in 2020?

A. Yes. The PWBA Rookie of the Year is based on the following criteria:

- A candidate may not have bowled in eight (8) or more PWBA tournaments after 2015, including the USBC Queens and the U.S. Women's Open.
- A candidate may not have bowled in three (3) or more tournaments in a single PWBA season as a member.

Q: What will happen with the PWBA Regional BowlTV Cup?

The BowlTV Cup will be carried over into the 2021 Regional event schedule.

Q: Will athletes receive a refund for 2020 PWBA membership?

Yes. PWBA will issue full refunds for 2020 membership.

NOTE: PWBA athletes that paid for membership in 2020 will still be considered a professional for 2020. PWBA athletes that were members in 2019 will be considered a professional unless they have stated otherwise to PWBA personnel.

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

A. If you or someone you know would like to host a future PWBA tournament, please contact Tennelle Milligan at Tennelle.Milligan@bowl.com.

Q. If I have other questions, who can I contact?

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