

2020 National Event Cancellation, 2020-2021 USBC Collegiate Postponement Key Points

- USBC has canceled all remaining national events for 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the previously postponed USBC Open Championships, USBC Women's Championships, USBC Masters, USBC Senior Masters, USBC Senior Queens and Super Senior Classic.
- USBC's mission is to serve our bowlers, and canceling the most significant events in the sport certainly is heartbreaking for all involved.
- USBC has a responsibility to consider the health of its members and their communities. Given the increasing spread of COVID-19 in several states, along with constantly changing guidelines and travel restrictions, we sadly do not see a responsible way to conduct national events in 2020.
- The 2020-2021 USBC Collegiate season will be postponed until January 2021 and be conducted as a second-semester sport. The dates for the 2021 Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships will be determined at a later time, with plans to hold them in the late spring or early summer. The IBC Youth Development Team will be contacting collegiate coaching associations and centers impacted by these decisions.
- All USA Bowling events for 2020 are postponed, with tournaments and in-person coaching seminars scheduled to resume in 2021. The IBC Youth Development Team is working on conducting virtual seminars for the USA Coaching program. More information will be available at a later date.
- USBC previously announced the cancellation of the 2020 Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour season, with a possibility of conducting events in the fall and winter months. In light of current conditions, plans for a PWBA event in late 2020 now are indefinitely on hold.
- USBC plans to resume a traditional schedule of events in January 2021, starting with USBC Team USA Trials, as conditions allow.
- USBC tournament staff will be reaching out to teams registered for the 2020 Open and Women's Championships regarding options to have their payments rolled forward for the 2021 events or receive a refund. For additional questions, please contact usbcopenchampionships@bowl.com or usbcwomenschampionships@bowl.com.
- Competitors who have submitted entries for any USBC short-duration event (Masters, Senior Masters, Senior Queens, Super Senior Classic) will be refunded in the upcoming weeks. For additional questions, please contact USBC Senior Director of Tournament Programming Greg Moore at greg.moore@bowl.com.
- USBC is confident competitive bowling can take place locally and is seeing many proprietors taking proactive steps to responsibly host leagues in accordance with local guidelines. A short local event is very different from a long-duration national event.