



THE WISCONSIN STATE USBC
HALL OF FAME POLICY & PROCEDURES FORM

POLICY: There shall be created within this association, a Bowling Hall of Fame, having jurisdiction within the defined boundaries of this association as prescribed by the USBC and in the association bylaws.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Hall of Fame shall be to recognize past and present members of this association, who through their competitive skills, leadership and contributions, have enriched the general welfare, spirit, reputation and growth of the game of American Tenpins.

RESPONSIBILITY: It shall be the responsibility of this Hall of Fame committee to govern the selections chosen for entry into the Hall. The committee will recommend for the approval of the board of directors, all matters and procedures relating to this committee. The association manager shall be responsible to this committee for any awards, supplies, and the induction ceremonies.

PROCEDURES: The association manager shall forward the candidates applications yearly to the Hall of Fame committee. The committee shall consist of following;

- a. At least five (5) members of the board
- b. At least two (2) current Hall of Fame members (1 male and 1 female)
- c. Past chairs of this committee if possible
- d. The association President and association Manager as ex-officio's

The Committee shall review and investigate the information provided by the candidates to ensure that they are in compliance with the criteria for entry into the Hall. Those candidates who are lacking in the information provide, shall be contacted and have the application returned to them for further updates and or revisions. The committee shall insure that the Hall of Fame forms are distributed and publicized throughout the association's jurisdiction with help from the manager. They shall solicit, accept, and review all candidates applying to the Hall. They shall insure that the selections to the Hall of Fame be submitted to the board of directors.

CATEGORIES: The Wisconsin State USBC Hall of Fame shall consist of two (2) categories, Superior Performance and Meritorious Service.

Superior Performance – An applicant should have established a documented record of superior performance in the sport of bowling. The individual must have, at a minimum, earned a scratch title in any of the events described in the eligibility requirements section.

Meritorious Service – Past or present members who have performed meritorious service to the game of bowling. Must have been actively involved within the jurisdictional boundaries of this association. A special dedication to the progress welfare, and repute of their association and any affiliated organization, above the normal duties or positions served. (See application form)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Candidate must be 50 years of age at the time of nomination
- B. Candidate must have been a member of the USBC for at a minimum of 20 years
- C. Candidate cannot, at any time, have been suspended by any current or former national, state, or local governing body
- D. Candidate must have participated in the WS-USBC Championships
- E. Superior performance candidates must have earned a SCRATCH title in any of the following list of events. (See application form)
 - a. USBC, WIBC, Masters, or Queens Championships
 - b. WS-USBC Open Championships, WS Women’s Championships
 - c. WS-USBC Seniors, Badger Queens Championships
 - d. Midwest Championships
 - e. PBA, PWBA Championships
 - f. Wisconsin Non-Pro Alliance Championships
 - g. State Match Game Championships
 - h. Bowling with the Champs, Team USA, and Junior Gold Championships

NOMINATIONS

Any individual or group may nominate a candidate for selection into the Wisconsin State USBC Hall of Fame. Persons electing to nominate an individual may do so by completing the application form available online at www.wibowl.com. The application must be filled out in its entirety and may have additional pages added as necessary. It shall then be submitted to the Wisconsin State USBC for consideration. Incomplete applications will be returned to nominator, with discrepancies noted for corrections. Nominations may be submitted at any time, however only those received no later than August 1st of the current year shall be considered for selection into the next Hall of Fame class.

Note: A deceased member may be submitted to the Hall. Deceased nominees may be submitted upon the anniversary of what would have been their 50th birthday. Such nominations shall be processed in the same manner as others and any subsequent award will be presented to the nearest living relative, or other person designated to receive the award on behalf of the candidate.

METHOD OF SELECTION

A. Names of the nominees shall remain anonymous when conducting the review of those applications received by the association office. Applications shall be numbered so that the names are NOT used. Only qualifications shall be provided to the committee.

B. The committee chair shall make a written report to the full board at the next meeting and at that time shall report those candidates selected to the Hall of Fame and ask for board approval.

C. Nominees not selected in any given year are not automatically included in the next year's selection process. In some instances, applications may be returned to the originator for more information by the committee.

VOTING

When voting, the committee shall appoint by a two-thirds (2/3) vote by the members present, selection into the Hall of Fame. Those candidates not selected shall have their applications retained for up to three (3) years. A letter shall be sent to the nominator by the chair explaining the vote and asking for more information if needed. Those selected shall be notified by the chair or the association office.

AWARDS

Suitable awards such as plaques, jackets, etc., shall be presented to the person being inducted into the Wisconsin State USBC Hall of Fame at the annual induction dinner held yearly at the site of the WS-USBC Open Championship tournament. Note: Alternate sites may be chosen by the board of directors.

These procedures may be amended by the association board of directors or the Hall of Fame Committee if granted that authority by the board. (2/3 vote required of members present)

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