

# 2017 ENTRY FORM

June 9 - 11, 2017

# Enigmatic 11s



\*\*\*\*\*SUNDAY MOST APPROPRIATE CREATIVE TEAM OUTFITS!



**EMBASSY SUITES  
HOTELS®**

**Hospitality Room at  
Embassy Suites Hotel**

**Banquet at The Westin Richmond  
6631 W Broad Street  
Richmond, VA 23230**

**AMF Sunset Lanes  
6540 West Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23230  
(804) 282 - 0537**

**Full Bar, Non-Smoking  
Bowling Facility**

**Embassy Suites Hotel  
2925 Emerywood Parkway  
Richmond, Virginia 23294  
(804) 672-8585**

**2-room Suites  
\$139 per night for king with sofa bed  
\$159 for 2 doubles with sofa bed**

**Free cooked-to-order breakfast  
Complimentary evening reception  
Complimentary parking  
Heated indoor pool**

# Schedule of Events

## Friday, June 9, 2017

3pm - 6pm	Registration at Hotel & Southern Hospitality
7pm - 9pm	9 Pin No Tap
9pm - 11pm	Southern Hospitality

## Saturday, June 10, 2017

8:15 am - 8:45am	Registration and check in at Sunset Lanes
9:00 am - 11:30 am	Singles Event
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Doubles Event
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Free Time
7:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Southern Hospitality

## Sunday, June 11, 2017

9am - 9:45am	Check in at Sunset Lanes
10am - 1pm	Team Event
1pm - 3pm	Southern Hospitality
3pm - 5pm	Banquet and Awards @ The Westin Hotel

# G.R.I.T.S. 2017 PLAYING RULES

## SANCTIONING

1. GRITS 2017 is an invitation-only women's handicap tournament sanctioned by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC). The GRITS Planning Committee reserves the right to refuse any application.
2. All bowlers must be members of the USBC, and be able to provide proof of their membership (current sanction card or signed statement from the league secretary verifying membership). If any participant is not a member, she must pay a participation fee of \$5.00 (USBC Rule 300c.1.b) and become concurrently subject to the USBC rules and jurisdiction for the tournament.

## EVENT PARTICIPATION

3. The tournament events shall be handicap events and are as follows: Singles, Doubles and Team.
4. Each participant shall bowl three (3) games per event and must enter all three events. Teams will consist of four (4) women.
5. Each participant may bowl only once per event.

## OPTIONAL SCRATCH COMPETITION

6. Optional Scratch Competition will be offered to all participants using five (5) divisions as determined by entering average (see Rule 15). An additional fee is required.
7. The Optional Scratch divisions shall be as follows:

Division A: Averages 129 and below	Division D: Averages 170 to 189
Division B: Averages 130 to 149	Division E: Averages 190 and above
Division C: Averages 150 to 169	
8. Scores used for the Optional Scratch Competition shall be those games (without handicap) as bowled in the handicap events of the tournament.

## AWARDS AND PRIZES

9. All cash awards shall be based on the total pins plus assigned handicap for each event with exception of the Optional Scratch events.
10. Awards will be given, in the handicap division, for the best singles, doubles, team, and individual all events. Individual all events is defined as the nine game total plus handicap of an individual bowler.
11. The award ratio for the singles, doubles, team and all events handicap events shall be a minimum of 1:10.
12. The award ratio for the Optional Scratch divisions shall be at a minimum of at least 1:10 per division.
13. Prizes will be distributed via check payable in US currency within thirty (30) days of the completion of the tournament, barring any protest. A tie in any position will result in the sum of the prizes being aggregated for the tied positions and divided equally by the number of ties for that place.
14. 100% of the prize fund in each Optional Scratch division shall be returned to that division.

## ENTERING AVERAGES - USBC Rule 319

15. Any bowler entering GRITS 2017 must establish a ten-pin average acceptable to USBC. The following rules shall be used to determine the entering average:
  - A. The highest 2016-2017 league final average or current average as of May 15, 2017 with a minimum of 21 games. If competing in more than one league, the bowler MUST submit the HIGHEST AVERAGE of all leagues bowled.
  - B. If the above is not available, use the highest 2016 summer league final average, minimum 21 games, providing the summer league meets USBC criteria.
  - C. If none of the above is available, use the highest 2015-16 season book average, minimum 21 games.
  - D. If none of the above is available, use the highest 2014-15 season book average, minimum 21 games.
  - E. If none of the above is available, entering average shall be 210.
16. The above averages must be verified by the use of:
  - A. League standing sheet, signed and dated by a league officer, or
  - B. Letter from league president or secretary, or
  - C. Photocopy of book average, (with year noted) signed and dated by officer.
  - D. Any bowler not submitting average verification, as required above, must include a Statistics Research Fee of \$15 with her registration form.
17. As of the beginning date of GRITS 2017, any bowler who has a 21-game **tournament** average during the period of May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017 must report all tournament scores during that period to the Tournament Director no later than the time of registration for possible re-rating. Such re-rating must be done before the entrant bowls (USBC rules). **Failure to report this information shall result in automatic disqualification and loss of winnings.** (USBC Rule 319e is enforced and applies in its entirety).

18. Bowlers whose tournament average (21 games or more) is higher than their entering average by 15 or more pins will be re-rated to their tournament average.
19. USBC Rule 319a.2, regarding the 10-pin increase in average from previous season(s), and USBC Rule 319d, regarding reporting of prize winnings, shall *not* apply.
20. The Tournament Director has the authority to adjust the entering average of any bowler.
21. Average adjustments will be applied as set forth under USBC rules. All average adjustments will be completed prior to the start of the tournament. A bowler unwilling to accept an average adjustment is entitled to a full refund of their entry fee, within 30 days.
22. USBC rules regarding the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of her entering average, whether submitted by the bowler, the team captain, or other, applies to all bowlers. If the submitted average is lower than required and results in a lower classification or more handicap, the bowler's score is disqualified. If the submitted average is higher than required, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average.
23. The handicap for the tournament shall be 90% of the difference between the bowler's entering average (as determined above) and 210. Negative handicaps shall not apply.

#### ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTITUTES

24. It is the bowler's responsibility to be present at the assigned lanes at the time of bowling. Mechanical failures, transportation irregularities, improper directions and related reasons do not alter the application of rules 25 and 26 below. (USBC rules will apply.)
25. Team entrants, to include doubles, must be present for bowling each event. If a team member is not present, the team may use an authorized substitute (Rule 27). If no substitute is available, a zero score will be used for the missing bowler(s).
26. Late bowlers will begin bowling in the frame in which they are ready, with prior frames being scored as zero. No practice balls will be allowed for late bowlers.
27. Substitutes may bowl at the discretion of the Tournament Director. Their entering averages must comply with Rules 15 and 18. Substitutes must complete a substitute entry form. USBC fees must be paid if applicable.
28. Participants will be allowed to practice ten (10) minutes prior to each event.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

29. All entries and corresponding payments must be received by May 29, 2017. The entry fee is payable in US funds by **money order or certified check and made payable to GRITS**. Applications may be accepted after May 29, 2017 if space permits and will be accepted on first received, first accommodated basis. *All* entries must be mailed to the GRITS 2017 address:

**Jane Haley, GRITS 2017, 2300 Wistar Place, Henrico VA 23294**

30. Entries shall be limited to a maximum of 112 bowlers. Acceptance of entries will be based on the order in which received. Once an entry has been accepted, no refunds will be issued, except as stated above in Rule 21.
31. Partial team entries will be accepted and the Director will make every effort to fill vacancies.

#### PROTESTS

32. Any claims of errors or disputes must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director or appointed representative(s) before the tournament prize payments are made. The protesting bowler(s) or team and the Director shall settle the dispute according to GRITS 2017 and USBC tournament rules.

#### OTHER

33. All other USBC rules will apply.
34. Any person attending and having special needs must notify the Tournament Director in writing, by May 29, 2017.
35. Bowlers must provide their own transportation to all GRITS 2017 events.

## CONTACT INFO

E-mail  
**haleyjc69@gmail.com**

Tournament Director  
**Jane Haley 804-241-2843**

**G.R.I.T.S. Entry Form (Please print) Team Captain \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name \_\_\_\_\_**

<b>Team Order</b>	Name: _____ Nickname: _____		<b>Tournament Data</b>	<b>Entering Average</b> <i>(See Rule 15)</i>	<b>Non-bowling participants</b> Friends of G.R.I.T.S. can join us by entering as a non-bowler. It includes the banquet and other complimentary events.  <b>Non-Bowling Participant (1G)</b>  NAME _____  ADDRESS _____  CITY _____  STATE _____ ZIP _____  E-mail _____		
	Address: _____					Vegetarian? No Yes	5/15/17 Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	City: _____ ST/Prov: _____ Zip: _____					Do you have a 21-game Tournament average since 5/1/2016?	2016 Summer Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	Phone: _____ E-mail: _____					No Yes (See Rule 17)	15/16 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
<b>Doubles 1A</b>	League: _____ USBC # _____		Tournament Avg _____	14/15 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>	210 will be the average		
	Secretary: _____ Sec'y Phone: _____						
<b>Team Order</b>	Name: _____ Nickname: _____		<b>Tournament Data</b>	<b>Entering Average</b> <i>(See Rule 15)</i>	<b>Non-Bowling Participant (2G)</b>  NAME _____  ADDRESS _____  CITY _____  STATE _____ ZIP _____  E-mail _____		
	Address: _____					Vegetarian? No Yes	5/15/17 Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	City: _____ ST/Prov: _____ Zip: _____					Do you have a 21-game Tournament average since 5/1/2016?	2016 Summer Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	Phone: _____ E-mail: _____					No Yes (See Rule 17)	15/16 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
<b>Doubles 1B</b>	League: _____ USBC # _____		Tournament Avg _____	14/15 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>	210 will be the average		
	Secretary: _____ Sec'y Phone: _____						
<b>Team Order</b>	Name: _____ Nickname: _____		<b>Tournament Data</b>	<b>Entering Average</b> <i>(See Rule 15)</i>	<b>Non-Bowling Participant (2G)</b>  NAME _____  ADDRESS _____  CITY _____  STATE _____ ZIP _____  E-mail _____		
	Address: _____					Vegetarian? No Yes	5/15/17 Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	City: _____ ST/Prov: _____ Zip: _____					Do you have a 21-game Tournament average since 5/1/2016?	2016 Summer Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	Phone: _____ E-mail: _____					No Yes (See Rule 17)	15/16 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
<b>Doubles 2A</b>	League: _____ USBC # _____		Tournament Avg _____	14/15 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>	210 will be the average		
	Secretary: _____ Sec'y Phone: _____						
<b>Team Order</b>	Name: _____ Nickname: _____		<b>Tournament Data</b>	<b>Entering Average</b> <i>(See Rule 15)</i>	<b>Tournament Use:</b> Entry #: _____ Postmarked: _____ CC/Mo Amt: _____		
	Address: _____					Vegetarian? No Yes	5/15/17 Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	City: _____ ST/Prov: _____ Zip: _____					Do you have a 21-game Tournament average since 5/1/2016?	2016 Summer Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
	Phone: _____ E-mail: _____					No Yes (See Rule 17)	15/16 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>
<b>Doubles 2B</b>	League: _____ USBC # _____		Tournament Avg _____	14/15 Book Avg _____ <i>if none, then</i>	210 will be the average		
	Secretary: _____ Sec'y Phone: _____						

**Team Captain Signature \_\_\_\_\_**

# G.R.I.T.S. 2017 Fees



www.VBCF.org

## Entry Fee \$105.00

Lineage \$20.70  
Prize Fund \$38.55  
Banquet \$43.00  
Administrative Fee \$2.75

## Optional Scratch Division \$20.00

A Division 0 - 129  
B Division 130 - 149  
C Division 150 - 169  
D Division 170 - 189  
E Division 190 - 300

**GRITS DuJour  
9-Pin No-Tap  
Friday 7:00 pm  
Cost \$20.00**

**Payout - Minimum 1:10  
Singles, Doubles, Team and All Events  
Max 112 Bowlers**

**BE SAFE - HAVE FUN!  
DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!!!**

G.R.I.T.S. 2017 Fee Worksheet							
Bowler/Guest		1A	1B	2A	2B	1G	2G
Entry Fee	\$105						
USBC Participation Fee (See Rule 2)	\$5						
Optional Scratch: Division A, B, C, D, E	\$20						
	Div						
Statistics Research Fee (See Rule 16)	\$15						
GRITS DuJour - No-Tap	\$20						
Non-Bowling Guest	\$45						
Total US \$							

## Entry Form Instructions

Complete the application in its entirety. Remember to include the full address, postal code, phone numbers and birthdays for entrants.

It is the responsibility of each bowler to read the tournament rules and to submit all information requested. This includes, but is not limited to, average verification, and information about previous tournaments, if applicable.

Mail completed signed entries and full payment of all applicable fees in US Funds by cashier's check or money order, payable to GRITS, via certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

**JANE HALEY  
GRITS 2017  
2300 Wistar Place  
Henrico, VA 23294**

**ENTRY DEADLINE: May 29, 2017**

**Registered mail is not needed.**