

USBC Junior Gold Championship Qualifier Tournament Rules

Please Read Carefully!

This tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress and will be conducted in accordance with the USBC Rules.

Eligibility: All entrants must be a member in good standing with the USBC Association and also must be a member of the USBC Junior Gold Program.

Entries: Entrants need to check in with the tournament manager or his/her assistants beginning 30 minutes before scheduled bowling time. All bowlers must COMPLETELY fill out an entry form and show a current USBC membership card, along with their Junior Gold membership card. Bowlers may purchase their Junior Gold membership for \$30 at the time of check in. MULTIPLE ENTRIES ARE NOT ALLOWED!

Fees: \$20 Junior Gold Qualifier Entry Fee. There will also be a \$10 Expense Fee if not participating in the Walter Brown Memorial Scholarship Tournament.

Age Division: Entrants must be 14 to 19 years old as of July 31, 2019.

Format: Bowlers will bowl 4 games over 4 lanes moving one pair of lanes to the right after the first two games. The bowlers scratch score total for the 4 games will be the determining scores used for this tournament. This tournament is run with no major fraction. National Junior Gold qualifiers will be determined with a ratio of 1:10. In the event of a tie for the qualifying bowler(s), there will be as many successive 10th frame roll-offs as needed to determine the winner. Tardy bowlers for the qualifying tournament must begin play at the current frame being bowled and will receive 0 pins for missed frames. To improve the pace of bowling, the bowler must be on deck when it is their turn. If there is any unreasonable delay, the game will be declared a forfeit and bowler will receive a zero score for that game (USBC Rule 11).

Dress Code: All bowlers must wear a shirt with a collar, USBC Official merchandise or league shirt, with jeans, khakis or dress pants. The jeans, khakis or dress pants must be worn up around the bowler's waist, this applies to both boys and girls. NO headgear will be worn during tournament play. The bowlers may NOT wear tank tops, spaghetti straps, halter tops, bare midriffs, shorts, culottes, capris, baggy jeans, or pajama pants, sweat pants, any pants with holes in them or anything that may be considered offensive. All skirts or skorts, must be no shorter than one-half the distance from the inseam to the top of the knee in length and/or no shorter than the fingertips when the arms are at their sides while standing. All bowlers MUST be in their bowling attire before check in; if the bowler is not dressed appropriately, he or she will not be allowed to check in or bowl.

Conduct: The use of profanity, alcohol or tobacco products by any youth bowler will not be permitted. The first violation of this rule will be a warning and the second violation will be disqualification without a refund. Any rules not specifically listed will be governed by the USBC. We also ask that all adults refrain from the use of profanity, alcohol or tobacco products until all youth bowlers have completed their bowling. Any bowler or spectator not conducting themselves in an appropriate sportsmanlike manner will be: disqualified in the case of the bowler or asked to leave the tournament area in the case of a spectator. The use of substances such as Aristol, talcum powder, pumice, resin, etc. on shoes or the use of soft rubber soles or heels that rub off or in any manner alter the normal conditions of the approach is strictly forbidden. Only bowlers will be allowed in the settee area. No coaching is allowed in the settee area. **NO electronic equipment will be allowed during tournament play. (EXAMPLE: NO CELL PHONES, IPODS, MP3 PLAYERS, ETC...)**

Tournament Committee: Any protest affecting eligibility or general playing rules must be made within seventy-two (72) hours of participation and confirmed in writing to the tournament manager. Errors in scoring must be reported to the tournament manager within 24 hours. The Tournament Committee shall have the power to hear and act on all protests arising from or under construction of the rules of the tournament and their decision shall be final. The Tournament Committee shall decide any questions not covered by these tournament rules. Any questions arising not covered by the above rules will be referred to the Tournament Committee.