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## From the Michigan State Board of Directors

After many discussions and much careful thought, we are sorry to announce the cancellation of the tournaments that the Michigan State USBC runs for the bowlers in our state, that have not yet started this year.

This includes the:

**Youth Championships & Adult/Youth Baker Tournament** in Bay City,  
**Pepsi State Finals** in Jackson  
**State Seniors Championships** in Battle Creek.

We thank the centers involved for their understanding and hope that all of you as bowlers will continue to support them as they also move forward. Contracts are already signed for next year's events. We hope to again visit this year's tournament centers soon.

With the continuation of precautions needed to protect the health of all of our bowlers, center employees, local association members and state board members and their families, we feel this is a necessary step. We understand the disappointment that you may feel about this as we are just as disappointed in having to make this decision.

**Due to the requirements of rescheduling everyone involved, IF and/or When we are able to continue the adult events (Open and Women's State) in Detroit and Muskegon we would start at least 30 days after the government's restrictions are lifted depending on the guidelines set by the state. Additional restrictions such as face masks, and social distancing, etc. would also have to be enforced.**

Your cooperation is appreciated. You may ask for a refund or defer your fees to next year's events. All requests must come from the team captain on record for the adults.

**So if you do not plan to bowl these events this year please, get your refund/credit request in as soon as possible.**

**THESE FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT FOR A REFUND**

One form per team - No partial refunds/credit...

If paid by credit card - Credit Card account will be credited back

Team captains responsibility to see refunds are given back to bowlers in a timely manner.

### REFUND REQUEST- ADULT TOURNAMENTS

The next step involves a lot of work from the state office staff, which are all working from home. If you are one of the teams that did not get to bowl, if you do not plan on bowling this year, and have not already submitted your refund/credit request form please, do that ASAP. The form is listed above and can also be found on our web page at [www.michiganstateusbc.com](http://www.michiganstateusbc.com). The form can be emailed or mailed back to the state office. All refund requests must be handled before a prize list can be generated on the women's and the open tournament **so, a priority will be given to these tournaments to process refunds.**

**All youth requests** must come from the league official that is listed on the entries. For the state tournament you may use one form but list the entry numbers in the correct spot. i.e. entries 58-70. **The Pepsi** is a little more complicated as each child has their own entry number. You may still use one form but must attach a sheet with the bowler's name and entry number listed. Again, **all requests for the youth must come from the league official on record.** Some centers pay for their youths entries, some have patrons that pay for some of the kids, and some kids have different last names than a parent or divorced parents, etc. It is impossible for us at the state level to be sure the money goes back to who paid for the entry. That responsibility belongs to the league official and we appreciate their help.

### Refund - Youth form

Again, this is not a decision that we made lightly, we know how much this affects everyone involved, but we feel that we will not be able to run the events effectively while still maintaining safety procedures.

**The state delegates meeting scheduled for June will also be delayed at this time. Please watch our news sources for more information on this as we reschedule events.**

We hope that everyone stays safe and healthy and we are looking forward to seeing you again on the lanes!!

Your Michigan State USBC Board of Directors

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