

Michigan State USBC Pepsi Youth Championships



-- IMPORTANT Information for Coaches ---

ALL QUALIFYING SCORES ARE ACTUAL - NO HANDICAP

Bowlers Advance based on ACTUAL finish order.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

NEW - LEAGUE QUALIFYING: October 14-27, 2023 Requests for a variance in dates must be approved by the Tournament Director.

To request different qualifying dates, either e-mail manager@michiganstateusbc.com or send letter by mail.

STATE ENTRIES CLOSE: January 18, 2024
***No Exceptions

STATE FINALS: Weekends – May 4-5, May 11-12, 2024 Royal Scot 3744 W Grand River Ave, Lansing 48906 (517) 321-6220

NATIONAL FINALS: July 8th – 20th in Detroit, Michigan

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

LEAGUE LEVEL:

All bowlers bowling in a USBC certified league (paid memberships only) are eligible. It is a **"right of membership"**.

STATE FINALS:

There shall be **only one entry per bowler** at the state level regardless of the number of leagues in which the individual may have qualified. Bowlers must submit the proper entry form and pay the appropriate fees.

NATIONAL FINALS: U12, U15 & U18 ONLY

Six division winners who will qualify advance to the Junior Gold Championships based on eligibility.

HOW MANY CAN QUALIFY?

There is **ONE** qualifying period: **October 14th thru October 27th**.

BOWLERS CAN ADVANCE OUT OF A USBC CERTIFIED LEAGUE ONLY! (Note: These must be paid memberships)

Determine how many bowlers you have in each of the Pepsi USBC Youth Championships divisions in EACH league.

Example: On at least a 1-5 ratio per league, per division as specified in Rule A-1, if you have:

1 bowler in Girls U15, you qualify 1

6 bowlers in Boys U18, you qualify 2

11 bowlers in Girls U12 you qualify 3

16 bowlers in Boys U8, you qualify 4

To determine your total number of bowlers - add together the number of bowlers present and bowling each week in each league.

EXAMPLE: 1st week - 15, 2nd week - 17 --Total number to base your advancement is 32. This league would be eligible to advance 7 bowlers.

Bowlers who qualify thru more than one league **MUST** Use the highest qualifying series to determine from which league they will advance. For identical qualifying scores, the member will advance from the league where the first score was bowled. **PRE-BOWLED OR POST-BOWLED SCORES ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

COMPETITION:

All competition at all levels (league and state finals) will be **SCRATCH ONLY**.

WHAT ARE THE DIVISIONS?

LEAGUE & STATE LEVEL: Based on Participants Date of Birth:

U8 (8/1/15 or later)

U10 (8/1/13 thru 7/31/15)

U12 (8/1/11 thru 7/31/13)

U15 (8/1/08 thru 7/31/11)

U18 (8/1/05 thru 7/31/08)

Please Note: Bowlers may opt to move up one division by declaring their intent prior to league qualifying.

STATE FINALS:

Only U12, U15 & U18 Division winners will advance to The National Tournaments:

Three division winners (1 boy, 1 girl from each division) will advance to the Junior Gold Tournament based on eligibility.

FEES:

There is no center registration fee or league qualifying fee. The only fees required are for those who advance to the State Finals:

U8, U10 & U12 - \$20.00 (they will bowl 3 games) **U15 & U18 - \$30.00** (they will bowl 6 games) Upper Division will bowl on a sport/challenge condition.

Please send SEPARATE checks for lower and upper age divisions.

Send <u>one</u> check for upper division fees, send a second check for lower division fees.

ALTERNATES:

There are no substitutes, **ONLY ALTERNATES**.

Should a bowler be unable to go to the State Finals, The alternate is the next bowler in line, in order of finish, as listed on the center report form.

All alternates must be male for male and female for Female and from the same age division.

SCHOLARSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES:

Scholarships awarded as a result of this tournament will be administered by the SMART program. Bowlers will only be assigned scholarship points per eligibility rules of MHSAA. A minimum GPA of 2.0 will be required to receive funds following graduation from high school.

Scholarships may **ONLY** be applied for **following** graduation from high school. At no time may scholarships be disbursed prior to high school graduation.

FORMS:

INDIVIDUAL FNTRY:

Please make certain the bowlers entry form is filled out completely. Indicate the bowler's division. The tournament coordinator will place the bowler in their proper division based on the bowler's birthdate. Send all entries with appropriate fees to the tournament coordinator – c/o PO Box 217 - Grandville MI 49468-0217. Incorrect advancement entries (bowler in wrong division – ie: lower should be upper or vice-versa) will be returned and league official will be requested to send correct advancement bowler.

ENTRY DEADLINE IS JANUARY 18, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!!

CENTER REPORT FORM:

The Center Report Form **MUST** be submitted with the entries. Alternates **MUST** be listed on the back of the center report form. It has room for the top five qualifiers. If you need to find an alternate and must go deeper than the names listed you must include your league work sheet showing the order of finish for that replacement. Entries received without this form completed will be returned.

SUGGESTION: <u>Keep your league work sheets for future reference</u>

MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

Bowlers should be prepared to show their Membership cards at check-in.

CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SENT WHEN ALL ENTRIES HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED AND WILL BE EMAILED TO THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL THAT SUBMITTED THE ENTRIES

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO GET COPIES OF THESE CONFIRMATIONS TO THE BOWLERS PARENTS

ALL BOWLERS MUST BOWL THEIR SCHEDULED DATE AND TIME, UNLESS THE TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR AUTHORIZES A CHANGE UPON RECEIPT OF A WRITTEN REQUEST BY E-MAIL, FAX OR LETTER (NO PHONE CALLS). BOWLERS MAY BE RE-SCHEDULED BASED ON LANE/SQUAD AVAILABILITY AND PROVIDED AN ALTERNATE HAS NOT REPLACED THE ORIGINAL PARTICIPANT.