

ELIGIBILITY:

- All USBC Youth Bowlers that are residents of the Tri-State (PA – NY – NJ) are eligible to enter this tournament

DIVISIONS:

- Divisions are based on age as of 8/1/2022. (Proof of age **IS** required)

ENTERING AVERAGE:

- ALL Bowlers will enter using their HIGHEST CURRENT USBC Youth League Average, MINIMUM of 21 games as of 3/1/2023. (A league standing sheet showing Bowler's USBC Youth average will be proof of average.) IF NO CURRENT SEASON AVERAGE, use previous season USBC Youth League Average, minimum of 21 games. Bowlers WITHOUT a 21 game minimum USBC Youth Average may enter scratch.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

- Bowlers should check-in (30) minutes prior to the commencement of the squad. Failure to do so may result in the forfeiture of the individual's spot in the tournament.
- All squads shall begin at scheduled times. Late bowlers shall receive a (0) score for all frames missed.
- No changes will be made to lane assignments after they have been assigned.
- ONLY tournament officials, score monitors, and tournament bowlers are permitted in the settee area.
- ALL Bowlers are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship. Showboating or behavior which may denigrate, distract or humiliate your fellow bowlers WILL NOT be tolerated and may result in disqualification from the tournament without refund.
- Bowlers in direct competition MUST be dressed in accordance with the PA State Tournament dress code:
 - All Clothing MUST cover ALL undergarments and have NO holes.
 - Acceptable clothing: Shirts MUST have Sleeves
 - Youth participants will not wear apparel or use bowling equipment depicting alcohol, tobacco, gambling, an illegal substance or inappropriate language/gestures during competition.
 - NO electronic devices may be worn or operated during competition.
- All USBC rules will be observed.
- The Tournament Committee will have the right to accept or reject all entries and decide all questions and disputes
- Tournament results shall be posted within (30) days of the conclusion of the tournament.

HANDICAP:

- Handicap will be 90% of the difference between the Bowler's average and a scratch score of 225.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

- BOTH DIVISIONS: 5 games will be bowled across 5 pairs of lanes. After each game, bowlers will move to the next pair of lanes to their right.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Scholarships will be awarded at a ratio of at least 1 for each 10 entries in each division. The number of tournament entries in each division will determine amount of scholarships. All scholarship money will be returned 100% to the bowlers. The funds will be held and managed by SMART c/o USBC, 5301 S. 76th Street – Greendale, WI 53129.
- Distribution of prize scholarship will be published on our website. All Scholarships awarded will be placed in the recipient's SMART account within (30) of the final date of competition.

LANE COURTESY:

- To maintain a consistent pace of play, all bowlers are required to observe one-lane courtesy and deliver the ball in a reasonable amount of time.

ENTRY FEE:

- Entry Fee will be \$45 (\$15 for 5 games of bowling, \$26 Smart Fund, \$4 Tournament expenses)

*Entries and Fees can be mailed to:

Valley Bowling Lanes, 1 Meredith Street Childs, Carbondale Township PA 18407

QUESTIONS:

- Contact your tournament manager: Cindy Grabowski at 570-282-3960

