

TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All USBC tournament rules and regulations will govern: DS USBC Youth Members with sanctioned average at Delaware Center Only.
2. Highest DE USBC league average (Min. 9 games) as of December 31, 2021. If bowlers have no average as of 12/31/2021 they will bowl scratch in Division A. Please forward all average sheets with entry form and payment. Bowlers who bowl in more than one league must check multi league and list all leagues on back or bottom of the entry form and provide average sheets for all leagues. No entries accepted without payment and average sheets.
3. Division classifications based on average and bowler will bowl three games in each event.
4. Doubles average 90% of 460 for handicap.
5. Bowlers for doubles can enter multiple times but with different partner each time. Late bowlers receive zero (0) for frames missed. Once a replacement has bowled the first ball the substitution in stands. Only the first bowled scores will be used for all events.
6. Awards 1 in 10 or major fraction thereof. 1st place minimum with 2nd place being a certificate. All-events will have at least a 1st place scratch and handicap in each division (boy or girl). All-events winners can only receive 1 award. Scratch all-events takes precedence over handicap.
7. Scholarships will be given in all-events per division in Scratch and Handicap. This will be divided by the number of entries per division. Additional scholarships will be granted based on donations received per the number of entries per division.
8. Rule 305 requires all award/scholarship fees collected in an event or division of an event to be returned 100 percent to the participants in that event.
9. **No smoking, no playing of video or hand-held games during competition, no eating or drinking in the bowling enclosure. E-readers will be allowed only in music or reading mode. No earphones on the lane.**
10. **Dress Code: Participants in the Tournament must be neat in appearance and meet the following dress code rules:**
 - a. **Shirts – Athletes must wear shirts that have a sash or collar similar to golf or polo shirts. (Tee-shirts from a youth bowling program or USBC are acceptable) Shirts must cover the entire midriff area or be tucked in.**
 - b. **Shorts and Skirts are allowed but must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee. Pants must be worn at the waist or held there with a belt. Torn or cut jeans will not be allowed. No Yoga or Pajama pants will be allowed.**
 - c. **No hats of any kind are permitted. (Unless for religious reasons)**
 - d. **All clothing apparel must be the correct clothing size. (Ex if wear med shirt do not wear xxxl shirt)**
 - e. **Advertisements on apparel or bowling equipment depicting alcohol, tobacco, illegal substances or gambling or inappropriate language/gestures during tournament competition will not be allowed.**

Bowlers will be required to change if tournament officials deem attire inappropriate. Tournament official's decision will be final.
11. To keep a consistent pace, one lane courtesy will be observed.
12. Errors in handicap or division will be automatically corrected. All errors must be reported within 24 hours. All matters not covered by these rules and regulations shall be determined by the tournament committee and the tournament director who will be the final authority unless appeal filed under USBC rule 329. The penalty for any infraction is disqualification from the tournament.
13. All-events division placement will be determined by the entering average in the State Singles Tournament. Due to using current average in team tournament, handicap will be adjusted to fit the current average, **but will not change** the division for all events.