

2020 CNM USBC Youth Championship Tournament Rules & Format

1. This tournament is open to all CNM USBC Youth certified bowlers with a qualifying average who are bowling in a CNM USBC Association Youth League and to all certified NMHSBA bowlers with a qualifying average. If not CNM USBC sanctioned, sanctions may be purchased prior to the start of tournament. For Junior Gold Qualifier, those sanctions may also be purchased prior to the start of tournament.
2. Reserved entries close at midnight March 5, 2020 and must be postmarked no later than March 6, 2020. Entries close 30 minutes before squad time unless the squad is full. No refunds will be made after the entry has been processed and the squad time has been set. Returned checks will incur a \$30 fee and must be paid before the tournament starts. On-site entry and re-entry allowed. **See Rule 3. No checks accepted at the tournament.**
3. Bowlers may participate multiple times in Team, Doubles and Singles. A bowler may cash only once in Singles and only once with the same Doubles partner. Not more than 2 players on a team may cash together more than once (**Rule 315**). Bowlers wishing to enter all events may do so by paying the entry fee(s) prior to bowling their first event. Rule 306 applies. Each event will consist of three games. The scores bowled in the first Team, Doubles & Singles events bowled will be scores used for determining the All Events total. **All bowlers shall check in thirty (30) minutes prior to the assigned squad time.**
4. Verification of average (dated league standing sheet) is required. Average precedence: a) Entrants (league or high school) must use their highest average based on twelve (12) games or more (includes all league sessions bowled up to and including **February 24 of current season**). b) If entrant has not established 12 games in CNM-USBC league or NMHSBA as of that date, then league official will submit document that reflects their average as of their completed 12th game. c) If entrant does not have 12 games in by the day of competition, they may use the previous season's winter CNM USBC Youth or NMHSBA book average. d) If a, b, or c do not apply, then entrants may use the previous season's CNM USBC Youth summer book average. e) If entrant has no established average, then entrant must bowl scratch 210. The handicap for all classes will be 90% of the difference between bowler's average and 210. Rule 319e (as modified) applies. Modification of 319e is "If a tournament average of a certified or non-certified competition (i.e. high school, JBT, etc.) of 15 or more games from 8/1 of current season to entry form closing date exceeds the entering average by 15 or more pins the highest average shall be used." Rule 319d does not apply. Sport (or blue) league averages will be adjusted in accordance with current USBC Playbook. Specify on the entry form if the average provided is an unconverted sport average by placing the letter "S" behind it. If you converted, place the letter "C" behind it. The falsification of average may result in automatic disqualification of bowler and forfeiture of all awards in any event bowled.
5. **Entries \$15 per event: \$6 Prize Fund/\$9 Lineage.** Scholarship money and certificates are awarded to the handicap winners in each division based on a prize ratio of at least one award for each six entries. Scholarship monies come from added money from CNM USBC, possible donations, and entry fees after any costs. SMART account #9156. **Tournament winners will be invited to, and recognized at, the annual association awards ceremony at the end of the season.** Awards/certificates will be given at the ceremony.
6. Whenever possible, events will be scheduled by the Tournament Manager according to the date and time requested based on receipt of entries and availability. The Tournament Director or Manager reserves the right to reschedule any event as necessary.
7. Any appeals or protests concerning scores or eligibility must be submitted to the Tournament Director or Manager in writing within seventy-two (72) hours after the alleged infraction occurred.
8. This tournament will be governed by the rules and regulations set by the USBC. **USBC Youth eligibility rules will be enforced. ALL DECISIONS MADE BY TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OR MANAGER ARE FINAL.**
9. **Dress code:** Tournament management will determine if the uniform worn by the participant is acceptable. If the uniform is deemed unacceptable, the participant will be required to change immediately, or will be removed from competition.

Shirts - Competitors shall provide their own bowling shirt with a collared, V-neck, rib-lined or banded necklines. Mock collar must be a minimum of three-quarters of an inch. All shirts must have finished sleeves for all competition. Females may wear a sleeveless shirt with a butterfly collar only if the sleeves are finished.

Pants - Male participants are required to wear slacks. Slacks must not contain drawstring waists or elastic bottoms. Slacks must have a zipper and a button to be eligible. Jeans are not permitted.

Female participants are required to wear slacks, skirts, capris, skorts, or walking shorts. All skirts, skorts, capris or walking shorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing and their arms are hanging loosely at their side. Jeans and yoga pants are not permitted.

Headgear - No covering or sunglasses can be worn while practicing or competing (hats, caps or bandanas, etc.) Male participants cannot wear any headgear while practicing or competing, unless a request is made in writing and approved prior to the event.

Electronic Devices - No electronic devices will be permitted during event other than score keeping applications.
10. **This is a Junior Gold qualifying event. Junior Gold participants must have a current Junior Gold membership. Winner of the Junior Gold spot will be determined by the highest scratch All Event score, not by division. Participants bowling multiple events must use their first Team, Doubles & Singles scores.**

Averages will be used in each division as follows:

	Team	Doubles	Boys Singles	Girls Singles	Boys All Events	Girls All Events	Boys & Girls All Events Scratch
Division 1	All Averages	320 & Above	161 & Above	161 & Above	161 & Above	161 & Above	All Averages
Division 2		319 & Below	126 - 160	126 - 160	126 - 160	126 - 160	
Division 3			125 & Below	125 & Below	125 & Below	125 & Below	

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