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The Pepsi USBC Youth Championships is a multi-level nation-wide qualifying championship event that begins with league level qualifying. Bowling centers with certified USBC youth leagues are automatic qualifying sites. Since this tournament is a benefit of USBC membership, there is no entry fee at the league level. Every youth bowler should be given their FREE chance to qualify.

LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING (NOV/JAN)

NOVEMBER 3-16, 2018 and **JANUARY 12-25, 2019**

Ten age divisions will qualify from League competition to District competition during two league-level qualifying periods in November and January (two-weeks each). Please contact your District Director if your league has a bye during this period. We can allow a shift in your qualifying dates either one week earlier or one week later. **OFFICIAL PEPSI WORKSHEETS for league level qualifying are provided in this handout.** A minimum of **ONE (1) IN EVERY TWO (2) ENTRIES** per division will advance to the District Finals using scratch scores. Sample worksheets are provided as examples for the ratios. November worksheets are due **DECEMBER 31**. January worksheets and full payment is due **FEBRUARY 18**. BLS and Treasure Software are optional pc applications that can generate Pepsi worksheets. Make sure to update to the newest version to capture the new U17 division for the worksheets. All qualifying in the Pepsi Championships are based on scratch scores. **League sheets dated as of FEBRUARY 9 will be used for average verification in the Handicap Divisions.**

Pepsi competition is held in divisions based on the bowler's date of birth:

- ⊛ U8 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/10 or later
- ⊛ U10 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/08 thru 7/31/10
- ⊛ U12 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/06 thru 7/31/08
- ⊛ U15 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/03 thru 7/31/06
- ⊛ **U17 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/01 thru 7/31/03 *NEW DIVISION ADDED for 2019***
- ⊛ U20 Boys/Girls whose birthdate is 8/1/98 thru 7/31/01

**Bowlers can opt to move up in division, but must sign a waiver to do so at the league level qualifying level. This is suggested only for those that want the opportunity to qualify into the State Finals (U12 & up).*

DISTRICT FINALS

MARCH 16-17 & 23-24, 2019

California is divided into eight (8) Districts based on location and local USBC associations. Each district runs their own District Finals, which is staggered between two separate weekends (4 District Finals per weekend). District Finals fees are \$26 for U8 & U10 divisions and \$30 for U12, U15, U17 & U20 divisions. District Directors will process and verify all paperwork. Centers are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. See *tournament packet (pink sheet)* for District site locations, format and District Director contact information.

DISTRICT FINALS FORMAT: 3 games scratch on the same pair of lanes. One-time entry. Scratch and handicap scholarships are awarded to the U8 and U10 divisions (1:10 ratio) – they do not advance to the State Finals. First place scratch finishers in the U12, U15, U17 & U20 divisions will earn a \$50 scholarship, handicap scholarships (1:15 ratio) and are also competing to qualify (scratch) to the **PEPSI STATE FINALS** (May).

- **U8 & U10 Division Champions (Boy/Girl) will earn a FREE entry into the CA Youth State Championships in July 2019 (Tyme to Bowl Lanes, Oroville/Gold Country Casino); 4 Champs x 8 Districts = 32 entries).**
- **U12, U15, U17 & U20 top finishers (Boy/Girl) will earn berths into the Diddy Watts State Singles Challenge (8 Divisions x 8 Districts = 64 Berths; Aug).**
- **CALIFORNIA OFFERS A SEPARATE HANDICAP SCHOLARSHIP DIVISION PER THE SAME AGE DIVISIONS – AUTOMATIC ENTRY FOR EVERYONE (100% OF 210)**

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STATE FINALS

MAY 4-5, 2019 – DOUBLE DECKER LANES, Rohnert Park

Bowlers will advance from District to State based on a ratio of at least **1:5**, or major fraction thereof, including last place ties per division using scratch scores. **ALL BOWLERS MUST CHECK ONLINE AT CALUSBC.COM TO SEE IF THEY ARE STATE QUALIFIERS and MUST REGISTER THEIR SQUAD TIME APRIL 6-14 IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.** Those who fail to register their squad time without prior notification to the Tournament Director, will forfeit their spot.

STATE FINALS FORMAT: 6 games moving pairs after each game. One-time entry. All divisions are competing for scratch scholarships (1:10 ratio) and one of eight FREE berths into the USBC Junior Gold Championships in Detroit, Michigan.

- **\$10 ON-SITE ENTRY FEE.** This will allow more scholarship dollars to be awarded.
- **CALIFORNIA OFFERS AN OPTIONAL HANDICAP SCHOLARSHIP DIVISION (100% OF 210) ON-SITE.**
- **HOTELS:** Visit CalUSBC.com on the Pepsi page for hotel information. Book early for best rates.

USBC JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

DETROIT, MI

JULY 13-20, 2019

The U12, U15, U17 & U20 Division Champions will receive a FREE berth from USBC into the 2019 USBC Junior Gold Championships (if they have not already qualified). Bowlers without a current USBC Junior Gold membership must purchase membership prior to June 8. Gold competitors will compete for additional scholarships as well as vying for a spot on USBC Junior Team USA to represent the US in national and international competition (US Citizens). Berth winners are not confirmed until they receive confirmation from USBC.

- ***The California USBC Association will provide the U12, U15, U17 & U20 Champions (8 total) a travel stipend valued up to \$400. See State Rules.***

CALIFORNIA YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

TYME TO BOWL LANES, Oroville (Gold Country Casino)

JULY 13-14, 20-21 & 27-28, 2019

Team/Doubles/Singles event

The District Finals U8 and U10 division scratch Champions (32 total) will earn a single entry (\$80 value) into all four (4) events of the 2019 California Youth State Championships. In order to redeem this award, the winner must be entered with a full team of their choice (as long as they meet tournament requirements) and in all four (4) events. This berth is applicable only to the four Champions (U8 & U10 Boys and Girls) in each district and will be voided if they cannot attend or do not enter with a full team entry (\$320).

Ancillary scholarship events are also held in conjunction with the CA Youth State Championships: Queens & Masters, Prince & Princess & Coaches Relief. These events are held every Saturday night at 7:00pm. **Visit CalUSBC.com for more information about the Youth Championships.**

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LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING (12 DIVISIONS)

- All USBC certified youth leagues are eligible to enter for FREE
- Two league-level qualifying windows: NOV & JAN (two-weeks each). Contact your District Director if your league has a bye during this period. We can allow a shift in your qualifying dates either one week earlier or one week later.
- 12 age divisions: (Boys & Girls) U8, U10, U12, U15, U17 & U20
- Scratch competition for all levels of qualifying
- Qualify to District Finals (1:2 Ratio) through league bowling
- No Pre- or Post-bowling scores allowed
- Nov. paperwork due Dec. 31 / Jan paperwork due Feb. 18

DISTRICT FINALS (12 DIVISIONS)

- Qualifying paperwork and District Finals entry fees are due to District Directors in February (See pink sheet in packet)
- District Directors will process paperwork and schedule centers based on entries received
- Format: 3 games total scratch, one time entry
- 8 District Finals locations in March (two different weekends)

U8 & U10 Divisions

- Scratch and Handicap scholarships awarded per division (1:10 Ratio)
- U8 & U10 Division Champions from all 8 Districts (32 bowlers) will earn a FREE Entry into the California Youth State Championships (See Rules)

U12, U15, U17 & U20 Divisions

- Qualify to State using scratch scores (1:5 Ratio)
- Handicap scholarships awarded per division (1:15 Ratio)
- \$50 Scholarship for First Place Scratch Finishers
- Earn berths into the Diddy Watts Youth State Singles Challenge Semi-Finals (Aug)

STATE FINALS (U12, U15, U17 & U20 Div.)

- \$10 on-site entry fee
- Six (6) games moving pairs after each game
- Scratch Scholarships Awarded in each division
- Optional Handicap Division Scholarship available on-site
- 8 FREE berths awarded to each division into the USBC Junior Gold Championships (if they have not already qualified)
- \$400 Travel Stipend to six Champions going to Junior Gold
- All qualifying competition is scratch

U12, U15, U17 & U20 GIRLS DIVISION

Highest total scratch pinfall per division determines PEPSI CHAMPIONS, SCHOLARSHIP PLACEMENT and THREE JUNIOR GOLD berths

U12, U15, U17 & U20 BOYS DIVISION

Highest total scratch pinfall per division determines PEPSI CHAMPIONS, SCHOLARSHIP PLACEMENT and THREE JUNIOR GOLD berths

USBC Junior Gold Championships July 13-20, 2019 – Detroit, MI

Bowlers without a current Junior Gold membership must purchase a membership prior to June 8. Athletes will compete for additional scholarships available to all athletes at the Junior Gold Championships. All U.S. citizens are vying for a spot on USBC Junior Team USA to represent the US in national and international competition. If the berth winner is unable to attend, the Junior Gold Championships berth will be awarded to the next eligible athlete..

The following paperwork and fees are due **FEBRUARY 18** to your District Director:

- ✓ Completed **WORKSHEETS** (one per league/division/window; all qualifiers' scratch scores must be shown)
- ✓ Qualifying window **LEAGUE SHEETS** dated as of the first week of each window (Nov & Jan; Not required if BLS software is used - update BLS/Treasure Software to newest version.)
- ✓ **FEBRUARY 9 LEAGUE SHEET & any FALL LEAGUE ENDING League Sheets** prior to February 9 for Handicap Scholarships
- ✓ **ADDRESS, PHONE # & BIRTHDATE** of all District Final qualifiers. (BLS can generate this report)
- ✓ **USBC MEMBERSHIP LIST** showing all 2018-19 certified bowlers, membership ID numbers and paid membership
- ✓ **DISTRICT ENTRY FEE** payment (money order or checks only payable to: CUSBC.)

2019 Pepsi Championships Timeline – CALIFORNIA

OCT 2018	Tournament packets mailed to all bowling centers with active USBC youth certified leagues. ALL PEPSI PAPERWORK IS POSTED ONLINE AT CALUSBC.COM FOR DOWNLOADING.
NOV 3-16 & JAN 12-25	FREE LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING – U8, U10, U12, U15, U17 & U20 Divisions/Scratch Scores Twelve age divisions will qualify based on a ratio of 1:2 from League competition to District competition during two, two-week windows. If your league has a bye during these windows, contact your District Director for permission to shift qualifying dates either one week earlier or one week later. <i>Every youth bowler should be given their FREE chance to qualify.</i>
DECEMBER 31	NOVEMBER WORKSHEETS DUE (no fees required at this time).
FEBRUARY 18	ENTRY DEADLINE for all League Level qualifying paperwork and fees to District Directors.
MARCH 16-17 District Finals #2, 3, 6 & 7	DISTRICT FINALS – 8 locations; U8, U10, U12, U15, U17 & U20 Divisions/Scratch scores See PINK sheet in tournament packet for District site locations, format, fees and District Director contact information. U8 and U10 Division Champions will earn scratch and handicap scholarships as well as FREE entries into the 2019 CA Youth State Championships (Oroville; \$80 Value) in July. U12, U15, U17 & U20 first place scratch finishers will receive a \$50 scholarship award, compete to advance to the State Finals (1:5 ratio per division) and will earn berths into the Diddy Watts State Singles Challenge (Aug). CALIFORNIA WILL BE OFFERING A HANDICAP SCHOLARSHIP DIVISION PER THE SAME AGE DIVISIONS – AUTOMATIC ENTRY FOR EVERYONE (100% OF 210).
MARCH 23-24 District Finals #1, 4, 5 & 8	
APRIL 6-14	STATE FINALS RSVP WINDOW – U12, U15, U17 & U20 Divisions <u>ALL BOWLERS MUST CHECK ONLINE AT CALUSBC.COM TO SEE IF THEY ARE STATE QUALIFIERS AND MUST REGISTER THEIR SQUAD TIME APRIL 6-14 IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.</u> Online registration only at CalUSBC.com .
MAY 4-5	STATE FINALS – U12, U15, U17 & U20 Divisions/Scratch Scores • \$10 ON-SITE ENTRY FEE DOUBLE DECKER LANES, 300 Golf Course Dr., Rohnert Park 94928 (707) 585-0226 State Finalists are competing for scratch scholarships (1:10 ratio per division) and one of six berths into the USBC Junior Gold Championships in Detroit, MI. Eight champions will earn a \$400 travel stipend to Detroit (see rules). CALIFORNIA WILL BE OFFERING AN <u>OPTIONAL HANDICAP SCHOLARSHIP EVENT PER DIVISION (100% OF 210) ON-SITE.</u>
JULY 13-20	USBC JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – Detroit, MI (8 Pepsi Berths) Athletes will compete for additional scholarships and spots on USBC Junior Team USA to represent the US in national and international competition. Champions will receive a travel stipend valued up to \$400 from the CUSBC.
JULY 13-14, 20-21 & 27-28	CA STATE YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS – Team/Doubles/Singles: Tyme to Bowl Lanes, Oroville (Gold Country Casino); 32 FREE Entries from Pepsi – 4 per district x U8/U10 divisions. (See Rules).

DISTRICT BREAKDOWNS

Dist Local Association

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|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | NORCAL, OROVILLE |
| 2 | ALMANOR, CENTRAL SOLANO, FORT BRAGG, MARIN COUNTY, NORCAL, SACRAMENTO, VALLEJO |
| 3 | SANTA CLARA COUNTY, NORCAL, SOLEDAD |
| 4 | BISHOP, CENTRAL VALLEY, NORCAL |
| 5 | GOLDEN EMPIRE, NORTH LA COUNTY, SANTA BARBARA |
| 6 | CITRUS BELT |
| 7 | SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, SOUTHERN LA COUNTY |
| 8 | NORTH COUNTY, ORANGE COUNTY, SAN DIEGO |



CALIFORNIA PEPSI WORKSHEETS



- NO PRE- OR POST-BOWL SCORES ALLOWED
- Schedule your center as groups when possible with the Pepsi Summary form (YELLOW)
- Note: Sole verifiable "sport/challenge" averages will be adjusted per the USBC Chart.

Worksheet must be accompanied by:

- League sheets dated as of the first week of the qualifying window (BLS excluded)
- Address, phone and birthdate info for all District qualifiers
- USBC membership listing showing current dues paid and 2018-19 USBC ID numbers

Fees & Paperwork due:
FEBRUARY 18

November paperwork due:
DECEMBER 31 (no fees necessary)

CENTER: PARADISE LANES **LEAGUE:** ALOHA YOUTH TRIOS **WINDOW:** NOV JAN

LEAGUE TYPE: REGULAR SPORT CHALLENGE

CHECK DIVISION:

- U8 BOYS U10 BOYS U12 BOYS U15 BOYS U17 BOYS U20 BOYS
 U8 GIRLS U10 GIRLS U12 GIRLS U15 GIRLS U17 GIRLS U20 GIRLS

	ATHLETE'S NAME	INITIALS (ACCEPT DIVISION)	BIRTHDATE M/D/Y	WEEK	SCRATCH SERIES	QUALIFIED?	
						RANK	YES or NO
1	KEN WHITE	KW	8/3/94	1st wk	655	1	YES
				2nd wk	601		
2	DAVE MILLER	DM	12/16/95	1st wk	595	2	YES
				2nd wk	625		
3	JOHN HUGHES	JH	2/20/98	1st wk	603	3	NO
				2nd wk	0		
4	PAUL MITCHELL	PM	8/16/97	1st wk	591	4	YES
				2nd wk	600		
5	DANNY WILLIAMS	DW	7/19/95	1st wk	0	6	
				2nd wk	570		
6	TED BILLINGS	TB	6/2/97	1st wk	595	5	
				2nd wk	575		
7				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
8				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
9				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
10				1st wk			
				2nd wk			

* All USBC Youth members are eligible (i.e. mentally challenged bowlers over the age of 20 are eligible for all levels).

# OF ENTRANTS	ADV. RATIO	ADVANCERS
6	1:2	3
ENTRY FEE		\$30
ENTRY FEE DUE		\$90

DIVISIONS (BOYS/GIRLS) ARE BASED ON BIRTHDAYS:

- \$26 – U8 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2010 OR LATER
- \$26 – U10 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2008 – 7/31/10
- \$30 – U12 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2006 – 7/31/08
- \$30 – U15 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2003 – 7/31/06
- \$30 – *NEW* U17 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2001 – 7/31/03**
- \$30 – U20 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/1998 – 7/31/01

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						RANK	YES or NO
1				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
2				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
3				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
4				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
5				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
6				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
7				1st wk			
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10				1st wk			
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- \$30 – *NEW* U17 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2001 – 7/31/03**
- \$30 – U20 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/1998 – 7/31/01

2018-19 LEAGUE LEVEL RULES

(ATHLETES MUST SEE THESE RULES
AND CHOOSE THEIR OWN DIVISION)



1. The Pepsi Youth Championships is certified by the United States Bowling Congress and governed by USBC rules.
2. Competition is open to all 2018-19 USBC Youth members. To compete, a bowler must be a regular member of a certified USBC league and not be under suspension at the time of qualifying. League substitutes are allowed to participate if it is their only USBC Youth league. USBC Collegiate members are eligible if they are 2018-19 USBC Youth members, bowl in a USBC Youth league and have not violated USBC Rule 400.
3. All USBC Youth members in good standing are eligible for the league level competition. There is no entry fee at the league level. Bowling centers having 2018-19 USBC certified leagues are automatic league level qualifying sites.
4. **Participants must be aware of each competition level in the state/zone and all associated rules, fees and deadlines. These items are contained in the specific state/zone rules from the State/Zone Pepsi tournament director. (State director information can be found on BOWL.com.)**
5. Competition will be conducted in 12 divisions based on the participant's date of birth as listed below. Participation in the wrong age division will lead to automatic disqualification. Bowlers must stay in the given division in that particular league throughout the entire window.

⇒U8 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2010 or later	⇒U8 Girls
⇒U10 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2008 thru 7/31/10	⇒U10 Girls
⇒U12 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2006 thru 7/31/08	⇒U12 Girls
⇒U15 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2003 thru 7/31/06	⇒U15 Girls
⇒U17 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2001 thru 7/31/03	⇒U17 Girls
⇒U20 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/1998 thru 7/31/01	⇒U20 Girls

*One way to think about this is....If a bowler turns 9, 11, 13, 16 or 18 during the bowling season he/she would be in the next highest age division.

***There is no requirement of Junior Gold membership to enter U12, U15, U17 & U20 Division!**

6. In states offering a side handicap division, the qualifying window average will be the current league average as of the first date of competition (no minimum number of games). Participants must remain in that division for the duration of that window. Bowlers are eligible to compete in a different division in a different league during the league level of competition.
7. League level qualifying will be conducted in certified leagues during the qualifying window(s) between Oct. 1, 2018 and Feb. 28, 2019. Each state/zone Pepsi tournament committee decides the qualifying window dates. Consult state/zone rules for the specific dates. **If needed, the state/zone Pepsi tournament director can grant changes in the qualifying dates to individual bowling centers.**
8. Qualifying scores must be bowled during regularly scheduled league play. **Pre-bowled or post-bowled scores may not be used as scores for advancement purposes.** Advancement to the next competition level will be from the league level.

9. Participants can attempt to qualify in any state/zone where they hold a 2018-19 USBC Youth membership card. However, the bowler can only advance once using the following criteria:
- A. In the event a bowler qualifies in more than one league in the same division, the bowler must advance from the league in which the highest series was bowled. For identical qualifying scores, the member will advance from the league where the first score was bowled.
 - B. If a bowler qualifies in different leagues from multiple divisions, the bowler must select one division they will compete in before subsequent competition.
 - C. If the bowler advances out of league level in more than one state/zone, the bowler **must** declare one state/zone to continue competing in before the next competition level.
 - D. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state/zone and/or more than one division will result in automatic disqualification.

Note: Advancers remain in the division they qualified in during the league level in all subsequent competition. If there is a tie for the last-place qualifier in a division, both will advance to the next level of competition.

STATE/ZONE LEVEL

- 11. The top one (1) bowler in the U12, U15, U17 and U20 divisions for boys and girls at the state/zone competition with the highest scratch score (plus applicable bonus pins) will earn a berth to the Junior Gold Championships to be held July 13 - 20, 2019 in Detroit, MI. Bowlers are not required to have a minimum average or be a Junior Gold Program member to enter the U12, U15, U17 or U20 Divisions at the local level of qualifying for the Pepsi Youth Championships. However, to receive the berth, the bowler must be a USBC Youth Standard member and Junior Gold program member no later than June 8, 2019. **If the winner is not eligible for the championships, he/she will still retain all awards from the state/zone but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the Junior Gold Championships.**
- 12. Advancers to the Junior Gold Championships must agree to bowl in the Junior Gold Championships or, failing to do so, agree to waive all rights. Replacements will be selected based on the order of finish in their division at the state/zone level.
- 13. **If a bowler has already earned a berth into the Junior Gold Championships and wins either the U12, U15, U17 or U20 division in in the Pepsi Youth Championships, they would receive any scholarship and/or stipend assigned to their finishing position. The spot into the Junior Gold Championships will go to the next eligible athlete in line by order of finishing position.**
- 14. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations will lead to disqualification from this event. The Pepsi Youth Championships National Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.
- 15. The Pepsi Youth Championships National Tournament Committee will decide all matters not covered by these rules and regulations, or USBC rules and regulations. All decisions are final.

**ALL BOWLERS MUST SEE AND
UNDERSTAND THESE RULES**

GUIDELINES FOR LEAGUE OFFICIALS/ PROGRAM DIRECTORS



You should receive a mailing from your state/zone Pepsi Youth Championships tournament director that contains the league level qualifying dates, rules, advancement levels and formats for each competition level. USBC has verified and approved these rules, dates and formats. Entrants advancing to the next level need to know about any required fees and deadlines.

The following are general guidelines to help you conduct the league level competition. The packet and information from your state/zone Pepsi tournament director will have specific information. **This event is provided for all USBC Youth members -- do not disappoint your bowlers. USBC Youth members deserve your assistance!**

It is **not** mandatory to use the provided league worksheets. It is acceptable to produce the required information on your computer through a league secretary program. CDE Software produces league secretary software that contains the Pepsi Youth Championships forms. Please enter all information accurately. If you want to purchase software, please contact the company directly: CDE Software at (206) 937-8927 (cdesoftware.com). **Each athlete is required to read the league level rules and agree to the division in which they have been placed for this tournament.**

COMPETITION SET-UP

- 1. By Oct. 1, 2018 you should receive the information from your state/zone Pepsi tournament director. If you have not received the information, contact the Pepsi tournament director for your state/zone. See the listing of Pepsi tournament directors on the Pepsi page of bowl.com.
- 2. Locate your qualifying window dates in the information sent by the state/zone Pepsi tournament director. **If the dates conflict with other league or center obligations, please notify your state/zone Pepsi tournament director. He or she has the authority to change these dates for you.**

STEP-BY-STEP PLAN FOR ALL QUALIFYING WINDOWS

- 1. The week before the league level competition begins, inform the bowlers and parents that the league will be participating in the Pepsi Youth Championships.
 - ⇒ **Make copies of the League Level Rules included in this handbook and pass them out to the bowlers and parents. All athletes must read and be aware of these rules.** ⇐
- 2. Locate the league worksheet in this handbook. Make a worksheet for each division. "Division" corresponds to the tournament's twelve divisions: Boys Divisions of U8, U10, U12, U15, U17 and U20. Girls Divisions of U8, U10, U12, U15, U17 and U20. All divisions will be SCRATCH.
- 3. **Before the window begins**, ask each league member to choose the division he or she wishes to bowl in and enter their name on the corresponding worksheet. **Divisions are based on bowler's age.** Make sure you check the ages to be sure the bowlers are participating in the correct divisions. Bowlers can participate in a different division for each league in which they are members, regardless of center. However, the bowler must remain in that division for that league during the entire window.
- 4. After the first league session, enter the scratch series for each participant in the "first week" row of the league worksheet. **If a member is not physically present this week, list his or her score as absent/"0." Pre-bowled and post-bowled scores are not allowed.**

NOTE: *If your state/zone Pepsi tournament director selected a one-week qualifying window skip to Step #8.*

- 5. During the second week, remind league members they are competing in the Pepsi Youth

Championships qualifying competition. This week is a second chance to bowl in a qualifying series. Include the same number of participants as in the first week. After the league session, enter the scratch series again on the League Worksheet. **Reminder: If a member is not physically present this week, list his or her score as absent/"0." Pre-bowled and post-bowled scores are not allowed.**

- 6. Determine each participant's highest series and circle that score. **Do not add the first-week and second-week scores together. Each week is a separate opportunity for the bowler to post a score.** The bowler's highest series is the score used for qualifying. A participant does not need to be present both weeks to qualify.
- 7. Using the scores you have just circled, rank the bowlers by best qualifying score. Using the advancement ratio set by your state/zone Pepsi tournament director, determine the bowler(s) who advance in that division in that league. After determining who has qualified, notify the winners. (Please inform the participants who qualified bowling only two games that they will bowl at least three games at the next competition level.) It is the winner's choice to advance to the next level and pay all applicable fees.
- 8. On the league worksheet, show the bowlers who have qualified and accepted or declined to advance to the next competition level. **Remember, each division per league must advance at least one person regardless of the ratio and the number of bowlers participating in that division.**
- 9. Since bowlers were given several qualifying opportunities, some may have advanced in more than one division and/or more than once in the same division. **A participant can only advance once into the next competition level regardless of the ways he or she qualified. A bowler automatically is disqualified if he or she attempts to advance more than once.** If a participant should win in multiple qualifiers, the following guidelines will decide where the bowler advances from:
 1. If qualified in more than one state/zone, choose one state/zone.
 2. If qualified in more than one division, choose one division.
 3. If qualified in the same division during both windows, he or she advances from the first window.
 4. If a bowler qualified in more than one league in the same division during a window, he or she must advance from the league in which the highest series was bowled.

Remember some of your bowlers might bowl in different bowling centers. Check to make sure they are only advancing from one center. **In all cases, once a bowler has made the choice to advance from a certain state/zone and division, he or she forfeits advancing in other states/zones, centers and divisions.**

- 10. Once you have figured out how many bowlers will advance per league and who they are, enter the information on the bottom of the league level worksheet. Complete one form per division per league.
- 11. After completing your league worksheet, make copies for your files and send the originals to your state/zone Pepsi tournament director. Your state/zone rules will state the deadline for these forms and if any other information, forms or fees need to be sent.

THANK YOU!



2018-2019 JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

USBC YOUTH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION New Member

Bowling Center: _____

League/Tournament Name: _____

Email Address (EMAIL ADDRESS REQUIRED FOR PROCESSING): _____

GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Guardian's First Name: _____ Guardian's Last Name: _____

Gender: MALE FEMALE Date of Birth(mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Apt: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____

BOWLER INFORMATION

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email: _____

Gender: MALE FEMALE Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Bowler ID#(found on last year's card): _____

Last 4 digits of Bowlers Social Security Number (Junior Gold Only): _____

By submitting this application you consent to the inclusion of your name, local association and scores on BOWL.com

I do not wish to receive non-USBC communication

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP CARD OPTIONS

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Standard Membership | \$4.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U12 Junior Gold Membership
(U12 Born 8/1/06 or Later) | \$10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U15/U17/U20 Junior Gold Membership
(U15/U17/U20 Born between 8/1/98 - 7/31/06) | \$30.00 |

TOTAL

PAID IN OTHER LEAGUE

Name of League

Bowling Center

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> VISA | <input type="checkbox"/> MASTERCARD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK | <input type="checkbox"/> MONEY ORDER/CASHIER'S CHECK |

Account #: _____

Exp Date: _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Email of card holder: _____

Day time tel. # of card holder: _____

My signature below authorizes a charge request for \$: _____

Signature: _____

MAIL FORM TO:

USBC JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP
621 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011

Phone: (800) 514-BOWL ext. 8426

Fax: (817) 385-8412

Email: Tournaments@ibcyouth.com

DATE RECEIVED BY USBC: _____

PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

WAIVER FORM



The Pepsi Youth Championships allows parents/players to request a WAIVER to allow their player to “play up” into an older group. Requests and any approval granted are for the current seasons’ tournament only. Requests are by written application only by the parent or legal guardian. While the Pepsi Youth Championships does not recommend that players play up, the tournament leadership does recognize that there may be a number of factors, including but not limited to, size, maturity, experience, and skill levels that may influence a players’ decision to play up.

PLEASE PRINT

PLAYER LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ USBC ID# _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Current Age Division: (Circle one) U8 U10 U12 U15 U17 U20

Requested Age Division: (Circle one) U10 U12 U15 U17 U20

I, the parent/guardian of the above-minor child, hereby request my child to compete in the division requested above. I understand that this is not the age division he/she was originally assigned by the Pepsi Youth Championships tournament rules. I am aware that my child will be competing against older and potentially more physically developed players with potentially higher level skills, and I, therefore, recognize the added risks to my child’s health and safety, as well as to my child’s emotional well-being. In signing below, I accept these risks and accept all and every liability and responsibility stemming from such risks as my own, and I absolve the Pepsi Youth Championships, its affiliated clubs, board members, volunteers, and associated personnel against any claims. I also acknowledge that I am making this decision on my own initiative and have not been requested to do so by any outside influence.

It is the policy of the Pepsi Youth Championships that all players compete at a level they are capable of, both physically and developmentally.

This form must be submitted to the Youth Pepsi State Coordinator before participation in the local qualifier. No changes to a division may be made once a bowler has started a qualifier.

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____