

Utah Challenge Tournament

Sponsored by Utah State USBC

Hosted by Ben Lomond Lanes, Bonwood Bowl, Miracle Bowl and Valley Lanes

Tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) rules and regulations in addition to rules adopted by the tournament organizers. Tournament Director/Officials have final decisions regarding anything not covered by these rules.

1. **Dates:** August 7-9, 2020

2. **Times:**

- a. Block 1: Friday August 7th @ 7:00 pm (Ben Lomond)
- b. Block 2: Saturday August 8th @ 10:00 am (Bonwood Bowl)
- c. Block 3: Saturday August 8th @ 2:00 pm (Valley Lanes)
- d. Block4: Sunday August 9th @ 9:00 am (Miracle Bowl)

3. **Format:**

- a. Each bowler will complete a 4 game block at each of the 4 bowling centers, 16 games total. Bowlers must participate in all 4 blocks.
- b. The tournament will be scratch and divisions will be in conjunction with USBC Junior Gold requirements.
- c. There will be an additional division for those who are U21 (turned 20 prior to August 1, 2020 and participated in Youth bowling in the 2019-2020 season)
- d. Winner will be determined by total pins of all 16 games.

4. **Divisions:**

- a. U12 Girls, U12 Boys (Born 8/1/08 or later)
- b. U15 Girls, U15 Boys (Born 8/1/05 - 7/31/08)
- c. U18 Girls, U18 Boys (Born 8/1/02 - 7/31/05)
- d. U20 Girls, U20 Boys (Born 8/1/00 - 7/31/02)
- e. U21 Mixed (Born 8/1/99 - 7/31/00)

There must be a minimum of 5 participants in each division U15-U20 for the division to proceed in the tournament. There must be a minimum of 4 participants in the U12 division. In the event that there are less than 5 participants in either the boys and/or the girls division (or 4 participants in the U12 division), the age division will be combined to be boys and girls mixed. In the event that this still does not allow for enough participants to run the division, it will then be combined with the next highest age division.

5. **Cost:** \$60.00 - \$40 for lineage, \$20 for prize fund/Gold Qualifier Fund
 - a. Payment for entry will be accepted by cash, Venmo or Credit Card. A \$2.00 service fee will be charged with each card transaction.

6. **Awards:** Prizes will be paid out at a 1:5 ratio.
 - a. In the event that an age division is combined, there is a guaranteed scholarship for both the top male and top female competitor in the division.
 - b. Prizes paid out in all divisions will be in the form of Scholarships.

7. **Eligibility:** This tournament is open to all Utah Youth bowlers with a current USBC card and those who fit the criteria for the U20 division of the National Junior Gold Tournament. Special division is open for those who are U21 (turned 20 prior to August 1, 2020) and participated in Youth bowling in the 2019-2020 season.

8. **Junior Gold Qualifier:** A minimum of 1 advancer from each qualifying division will be awarded an entry into the 2021 Junior Gold Tournament in Indianapolis. If an age division has been combined, advancement ratio will remain the same. This award does not include any travel expenses.

9. **Equipment:** Each bowler will be allowed to check in 6 bowling balls for the entire tournament. The name of the ball and serial numbers will be documented prior to the beginning of competition.
 - a. All equipment must be in compliance with the new USBC rules that will go into effect on August 1, 2020. This specifically pertains to the new rules regarding elimination of balance holes and use of holes for gripping purposes only. Refer to USBC Equipment Specifications and Certifications Manual for further information, details and requirements.

10. **Check In:** Pre-registered entrants are requested to check in 30 minutes before squad starting time. Walk-in entrants must register and check in 1 hour prior to squad starting time.

11. **Protest:** Any protest affecting eligibility or general playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the tournament manager within 72 hours of tournament close. Errors in scoring must be reported at the time the error is entered. Unexpected situations will be handled by the tournament management.

12. **Dress Code:** The Dress Code Will Be Strictly Enforced. All participants may wear casual slacks, trousers, jeans, skorts and shorts. Shorts and skorts length must go beyond the fingertips when your arms are at rest along your sides. Participants must wear a shirt with sleeves; preferably a collared shirt. Unacceptable attire includes, but not limited to: Hats (except for medical reasons), tank tops, halter tops, bare midriffs, spaghetti strap tops, etc, workout attire, lounge pants, bib overalls, jeans that are torn (skin showing), not clean or in poor

condition. Attire with inappropriate, questionable, or offensive language or graphics. There are NO exceptions.

13. **Conduct:** Bowlers are responsible for their conduct. Tournament officials have the right to disqualify any bowler whose conduct is derogatory or detrimental to the best interests of the tournament. No unreasonable delay in the progress of any game is permitted. (USBC rule 11) Absolutely NO alcohol consumption during the youth tournament within any of the assigned lanes (including the buffer). Only assigned bowlers and tournament officials will be permitted in the bowling area during competition (including the buffer).
14. **Electronic Devices:** Electronic devices will be permitted in the settee area as long as they are not causing a distraction to other bowlers, disturbance or a delay in the pace of bowling.
15. **Liability:** The entrants whose names appear thereon or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the organizers of this tournament and Utah State USBC, its officers or agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fee, if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change or premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergencies of cause relating thereto or resulting there from, fire, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond its control.
16. **Current Social Situation:** Due to the current concerns of COVID-19 and in accordance with state and city ordinances, we are requiring that masks be worn by all Participants and spectators at all times. Bowlers may remove their mask when on the approach for their turn. We are also asking to limit visitors to 2 or less. Everyone should attempt to adhere to social distancing guidelines while at the tournament.

If you would like to pre-enter for the tournament or if you have questions about the tournament, please contact Mindee Kunkel. She can be reached by email at Mindeefnp@gmail.com or by phone/text 801-503-4005.

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