

(Formerly the CA Pepsi Youth Championships)



2025-26 Tournament Handbook

LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING DATES:
November 3-16, 2025

QUALIFYING PAPERWORK DUE:
January 28, 2026

STATE FINALS REGISTRATION WINDOW:
February 1-21, 2026

STATE FINALS (BOWLERO FRESNO):
March 14-15, 2026

- **Tournament Overview & Rules**
- **Official Qualifying Worksheets**
- **Opt-Up Waiver**

TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW

California



The California Youth Scratch Championships (formerly the CA Pepsi Youth Championships) is a multi-level nationwide qualifying event for USBC certified youth bowlers. This tournament is a benefit of USBC youth membership — every youth bowler should be given their chance to enter. California has awarded over \$1,000,000 since 1998 (Coca-Cola Youth Championships/Pepsi Youth Championships) from this event.

NOTE: An athlete is not required to belong to the Junior Gold Program in order to enter in this tournament. If an athlete in the U12 and higher divisions wins a berth into the Junior Gold Championships, they must purchase membership by May 15. If they are unwilling or unable to purchase membership, the athlete keeps any awards given from the state, but will not be allowed to advance to the Junior Gold Championships and an alternate will be chosen.

This handbook contains information for the California Youth Scratch Championships. The 2025-26 League Level Rules must be followed and supplied to each athlete. USBC and your California Youth Scratch Championships Tournament Committee thank you for your support and dedication to this event. If you have any questions, please contact us at (562) 449-4527 or email info@calusbc.com. All tournament information can be found online at CALUSBC.com.

LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING – NOVEMBER 3-16, 2025

DEADLINE TO ENTER: JANUARY 28

Competition is open to all 2025-26 USBC Youth members that are enrolled in a California USBC certified youth league and not under suspension. **BOWLERS CAN QUALIFY FROM THEIR YOUTH LEAGUE USING SCRATCH SCORES BASED ON A RATIO OF 1:4 PER DIVISION.** League substitutes are allowed to participate if it is their only California USBC certified youth league. No pre- or post-bowled scores allowed. **ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH CALIFORNIA USBC CERTIFIED LEAGUES with ONE PAYMENT submitted from the YOUTH DIRECTOR.** Youth leagues and bowlers must be USBC certified in order to participate. Bowlers are qualifying from League Level to the State Finals. In the past, we had a District Finals. There is not enough participation to have a District Finals at this time. When participation numbers increase, we can reinstate a District Finals level.

OFFICIAL QUALIFYING WORKSHEETS are provided in this handbook and are available online at CALUSBC.com. **One worksheet per division (do not mix bowlers from different divisions on one worksheet).** Use the **SUMMARY FORM** when submitting worksheets, supporting documents and payment to your District Director. Sport and Challenge leagues must be notated. Sole verifiable “sport/challenge” averages will be adjusted per the USBC Sport/Challenge Average Chart. BLS and Treasure software can automate your qualifying worksheets.

The **SUMMARY SHEET** should be submitted with the following:

- ✓ Worksheets with birthdates for all participants
- ✓ League sheets dated as of the qualifying window
- ✓ 2025-26 USBC youth league membership list showing USBC ID#s and current dues paid
- ✓ Opt Up Waivers for U8/U10 divisions that want to compete in the U12 division to try and qualify for the State Finals.
- ✓ Entry fee payment – one center check or money order made payable to CUSBC.

California Pepsi Tournament packets can found online at CALUSBC.com

CA YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS OVERVIEW

Competition is held in 12 divisions based on the bowler's date of birth:

- ♣ Boys/Girls U8 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2017 or later
- ♣ Boys/Girls U10 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2015 thru 7/31/17
- ♣ Boys/Girls U12 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/15
- ♣ Boys/Girls U14 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2011 thru 7/31/13
- ♣ Boys/Girls U16 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2009 thru 7/31/11
- ♣ Boys/Girls U18 Division: Birthdate is 8/1/2007 thru 7/31/09



**Bowlers in the U8/U10 divisions can "OPT UP" to enter into the U12 division to try and qualify to the State Finals. The waiver must be submitted with the entry fee. Waivers are included in this handbook.*

Worksheets, summary sheet, supporting documents and fees must be postmarked by **JANUARY 28** and submitted to your respective District Director who will verify your qualifiers and payments. See **tournament packet** or visit **CALUSBC.com** for tournament information. **We will be asking for league sheets dated as of MARCH 1 for verifying averages.**

STATE FINALS – ALL DIVISIONS

March 14-15, 2026

BOWLERO FRESNO

6450 N Blackstone Ave.

Fresno, CA 93710

(559) 431-3711

Bowlers will advance from League Level to State Finals based on a ratio of at least **1:4**, or major fraction thereof, including last place ties per division using SCRATCH scores. State qualifiers will be verified and confirmed bowlers will be posted online at CALUSBC.com. **ALL QUALIFIERS MUST REGISTER THEIR SQUAD TIME (FEBRUARY 1-21) AT CALUSBC.com IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.** Those who fail to register their squad time during the window will be assigned their squad time.

U8 & U10 DIVISION:

- **FORMAT:** Three games bowled on the same pair of lanes.
- **Handicap and Scratch Scholarships will be awarded in each division**
- **Scratch division champions (4) will earn a FREE entry reimbursement (\$50 value) into the California Youth State Championships held on June 20-21, 2026 at Arlington Lanes, Riverside. This offer is applicable only to the four Champions and will be voided if they cannot attend or do not enter with a full team entry. See rules for more info.**

U12, U14, U16 & U18 DIVISIONS:

- **FORMAT:** Five games scratch moving pairs after each game.
- **Handicap and Scratch Scholarships will be awarded in each division**
- **Scratch divisions are competing for one of eight FREE berths (one per division) into the USBC Junior Gold Championships in July.**
- **STRIKE12CREATIONS.com JERSEYS will be awarded to the eight scratch Champions (set design) going to Junior Gold**
- **The eight scratch Champions going to Junior Gold will also receive a \$500 travel stipend reimbursement. (The jersey and stipend will be voided if the bowler does not attend the Junior Gold event).**

CAL STATE YOUTH QUEENS & MASTERS / PRINCE & PRINCESS

Bowlero Fresno

March 14-15, 2026

This event is run by the California Youth Committee (CYC) and will be held the same weekend as the CA Youth Scratch Championships State Finals. This is a youth singles 5-gamer open to all current California youth bowlers. Queens and Masters is scratch and Prince & Princess is handicapped. Bowlers can sign up for a squad when they are not bowling in the YSC tournament. CUSBC is donating \$2,000 in additional scholarships for this event! Sign up online at **CALUSBC.com**. Visit **CALUSBC.com** for tournament information.

CALIFORNIA YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Arlington Lanes, Riverside

June 20-21, 2026

The four U8 and U10 Division scratch champions from the State Finals will earn a **FREE** entry reimbursement into the 2026 California Youth State Championships. In order to redeem this award, the winner must be entered with a full team and in singles event. This offer will be voided if they cannot attend or do not enter with a full team entry. The entry must be paid in full. After the bowler's scores are confirmed, the reimbursement will be issued. California USBC will set the parameters for the reimbursement. Visit **CALUSBC.com** for tournament information.

USBC JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Minneapolis, Minnesota

July 11-18, 2026

The U12, U14, U16 & U18 Division Champions will receive a **FREE BERTH** (one per division) from USBC into the 2026 USBC Junior Gold Championships (if they have not already qualified). Bowlers without current USBC Junior Gold membership must purchase membership prior to May 15. Gold applications can be found at **BOWL.com**. 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. Visit **BOWL.com** for tournament information.

Star of Tomorrow Scholarship \$2,500 Scholarship

High school seniors are eligible. Star qualities include distinguished certified bowling performances on state, local, national, international, Team USA, or collegiate levels as well as academic achievement and leadership.

California Youth State Scholarship \$1,000 Scholarship

Applicants must be youth members of the California USBC Association. Points are graded for both academic and bowling participation. One-time award.

Braheme Family Memorial Youth Scholarship \$1,000 Scholarship

This scholarship is in the name of George & Ola Braheme. Ola was the California Women's Bowling Association (CWBA) Past President and 1978 CWBA Meritorious Service award recipient. George participated in 50 consecutive California State Tournaments. Both are inducted in the Salinas USBC Hall of Fame. Applicants must be current youth members of the California USBC Association. Points are graded for both academic and bowling participation.

Deadline: JANUARY 15 • Download application forms at CALUSBC.com

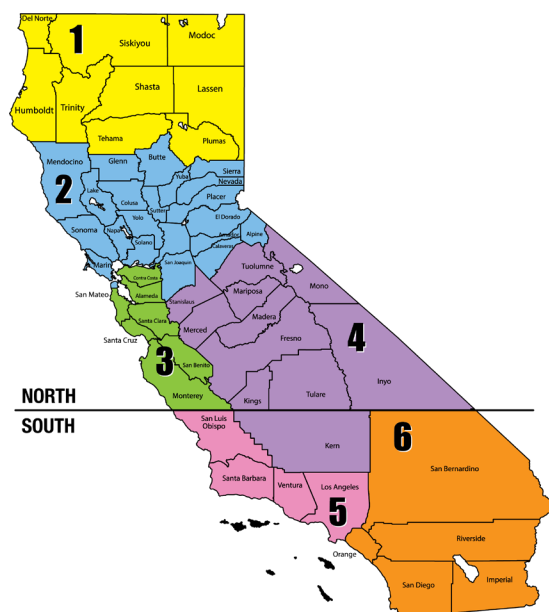
2026 Youth Scratch Championships Timeline – CALIFORNIA

NOVEMBER 3-16, 2025	LEAGUE LEVEL QUALIFYING. Bowlers can qualify from their youth league to the State Finals based on scratch scores with a ratio of 1:4 per division. ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH CALIFORNIA USBC CERTIFIED LEAGUES with ONE PAYMENT submitted to their respective District Director. Youth leagues must be USBC certified in order to participate. No post or pre-bowled scores allowed.
JANUARY 28	ENTRY DEADLINE for all worksheets, summary sheet, supporting documents and fees to District Directors. Worksheets can also be produced on BLS or Treasure Software. Competition is open to all 2025-26 USBC Youth members entered in California USBC certified youth leagues. League substitutes are allowed to participate if it is their only league. Entries must be submitted through the youth league by Youth Program Directors.
FEBRUARY 1-21	STATE FINALS REGISTRATION WINDOW – Register online at CALUSBC.com <i>ALL QUALIFIERS MUST REGISTER THEIR SQUAD TIME IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.</i> Each registration will be verified and confirmation emails will be sent no later than March 5. Those who fail to register their squad time will be assigned their time.
MARCH 14-15	STATE FINALS – ALL DIVISIONS BOWLERO FRESNO, 6450 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno, CA 93710, (559) 431-3711 One-time entry. Scratch and Handicap scholarships will be awarded as well as eight berths into the USBC Junior Gold Championships in Minnesota (if not already qualified). The eight scratch division Champions will receive a travel stipend up to \$500 for Junior Gold travel and a Strike12Creations.com jersey to represent California. (Stipend and jersey is voided if bowler does not attend Junior Gold.)
JUNE 20-21	CA YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS – Team/Singles: Arlington Lanes, Riverside; Four FREE Entry reimbursements from this tournament – U8/U10 Division State Finals Scratch Champions (See rules).
JULY 11-18	USBC JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – Minnesota, MN (Eight CA Pepsi Berths) Athletes will compete for additional scholarships and spots on USBC Junior Team USA to represent the US in national and international competition.

DISTRICT BREAKDOWNS

DIST LOCAL ASSOCIATION

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| 1 | CHICO, GLENN COUNTY-CORNING, HUMBOLDT, RED BLUFF, REDDING |
| 2 | CENTRAL SOLANO, CENTRAL SONOMA, SACRAMENTO, MANTECA, NAPA SONOMA, SIERRA GOLD, STOCKTON |
| 3 | ALAMEDA COUNTY, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SANTA CLARA COUNTY, PENINSULA, SALINAS, SAN FRANCISCO, SANTA CRUZ |
| 4 | CENTRAL CALIFORNIA, GOLDEN EMPIRE, KINGS COUNTY, MERCED COUNTY, MODESTO, TULARE COUNTY |
| 5 | CENTRAL COAST, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, SANTA BARBARA, VENTURA COUNTY |
| 6 | CITRUS BELT, NORTH COUNTY, ORANGE COUNTY, SAN DIEGO |



2025-26 CALIFORNIA LEAGUE RULES

ATHLETES MUST READ THESE RULES AND CONFIRM THEIR DIVISION PRIOR TO COMPETITION

1. The USBC Youth Scratch Championships is certified by the United States Bowling Congress and governed by USBC rules.
2. Competition is open to all 2025-2026 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 2025-2026 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 2025-2026 USBC-certified youth leagues are automatic league-level qualifying sites. **Entries must be submitted through California USBC certified youth leagues.**
4. Participants must be aware of each competition level in the state and all associated rules, fees and deadlines. These items are contained in the specific state rules from the State tournament director. (State director information can be found on BOWL.com.)
5. Competition will be conducted in 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 8/1/2017 or later	⇒U8 Girls
⇒U10 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2015 thru 7/31/17	⇒U10 Girls
⇒U12 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/15	⇒U12 Girls
⇒U14 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2011 thru 7/31/13	⇒U15 Girls
⇒U16 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2009 thru 7/31/11	⇒U15 Girls
⇒U18 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2007 thru 7/31/09	⇒U18 Girls

***There is no requirement of Junior Gold membership to enter the U12 and above divisions!**

6. 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 November 3-16, 2025. Visit CALUSBC.com for specific tournament information. If needed, the state 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 where they hold a 2025-26 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.

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- c) If the bowler advances out of league level in more than one state/zone, the bowler must declare one state 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 LEVEL

- 10. The top one (1) bowler in the U12, U14, U16 or U18 divisions for boys and girls at the state competition with the highest scratch score will earn a berth to the Junior Gold Championships. To receive the berth, the bowler must be a USBC Youth Standard member and Junior Gold program member no later than May 15. **If the winner is not eligible for the championships, he/she will still retain all awards from the state, but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the Junior Gold Championships.**
- 11. Advancers to the Junior Gold Championships must agree to bowl in the Junior Gold Championships. Replacements will be selected based on the order of finish in their division at the state level. In the event that a qualifier needs to be replaced (declined or previously qualified) and there is a tie to determine who will advance to the Junior Gold Championships, the high game from the qualifying scores will determine who will advance. If the high score for each is the same, the next subsequent high score will be used until the tie is broken.
- 12. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations will lead to disqualification from this event. The USBC Youth Scratch Championships National Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.
- 13. The USBC Youth Scratch 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 READ
AND UNDERSTAND THESE RULES**



**Tournament information can be found at [CALUSBC.com](https://calusbc.com)
on the 2026 Youth Scratch Championships page.
State Rules are also posted on that site.**

<https://calusbc.com/2026-youth-scratch-championships/>



2026 California USBC Association
YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS
STATE RULES



1. This tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) #05666 and shall be governed by USBC rules.
2. Competition is open to all 2025-26 USBC Youth members that are bowling in a California USBC certified youth league and not under suspension. League substitutes are allowed to participate if it is their only California USBC certified youth league. Entries must be submitted through California USBC certified youth leagues.
3. League level qualifying dates are **NOVEMBER 3-16, 2025**. Advancement from league is a one-time entry. If an individual qualified and cannot participate in this competition, replacements will be eligible based on order of finish from the league level qualifying. **Replacements must advance from the same league and same division based on order of finish.**
4. **Advancement ratio from LEAGUE competition to STATE competition (all divisions) is at least ONE (1) FOR EVERY FOUR (4) ENTRIES per division, per league, per window including last-place ties.** The base number for each division is the number of certified individuals that were present at least one week to participate. In all cases at least one person per division shall advance. The advancement ratio shall be applied uniformly to all eligible divisions.
5. Advancers out of the league level must remain in the division they qualified in during all subsequent levels. If a bowler advances out of league level in more than one state, the bowler must declare one state to continue competing before the next competition level. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state will result in automatic disqualification. **All bowlers that choose to "opt up" MUST COMPLETE an "OPT UP FORM" PRIOR to league competition.**
6. **Entry Fees:**

<u>Division</u>	<u>U8 & U10</u>	<u>U12 & higher</u>
Expenses/Awards/Scholarships.....	\$20.75	\$36.25
Lineage.....	\$14.25	\$23.75
Handicap Scholarship.....	\$5.00	\$5.00
TOTAL	\$40.00	\$65.00
7. **Entry closing date is JANUARY 28.** Tournament fees and official worksheets must be submitted by this date. No refunds allowed after the closing date unless approved by the Tournament Director. **Bowling center checks and money orders must be made payable to CUSBC.** Write "YSC" and "center name" in memo. Any returned checks are subject to a \$35 penalty fee and must be paid with money order by **FEBRUARY 10. ONLY ONE PAYMENT PER CENTER.**
8. Divisions are based on the participant's age. Athletes must compete in their proper age division in all levels of competition. **Competition shall be conducted in the following divisions:**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U8 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2017 OR LATER**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U10 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2015 THRU 7/31/17**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U12 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2013 THRU 7/31/15**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U14 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2011 THRU 7/31/13**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U16 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2009 THRU 7/31/11**
 - **BOYS / GIRLS U18 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2007 THRU 7/31/09**
9. State Finals competition will take place at **BOWLERO FRESNO**, 6450 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno, CA 93710, (559) 431-3711 on **MARCH 14-15, 2026. U8 / U10 Squad time: Saturday 8:30am. U12 / U14 / U16 / U18 Squad times: Saturday 2pm and Sunday at 8:30am.**
10. **ALL BOWLERS MUST REGISTER THEIR SQUAD TIME ONLINE AT CALUSBC.COM FEBRUARY 1-21. Those who fail to register their squad time on time will be assigned their squad time.**
11. **U8 / U10 Format:** Three games total on the same pair of lanes. **U12 / U14 / U16 / U18 Format:** Five games total moving pairs after each game. Total scratch pinfall will determine the champions for each division.
12. **DRESS CODE: BOWLING JERSEYS OR POLO SHIRTS ONLY.** Jersey collars must be hemmed (crew, v-neck, polo or quarter zip). All jerseys must have finished sleeves. Male participants are required to wear slacks with front zipper and button at waist. Slacks must not contain drawstring waists or elastic bottoms. Female participants are required to wear slacks, skirts, capris, skorts or walking shorts. All skirts, capris, skorts or walking shorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing with their arms hanging loosely at their side. Hats, jeans and yoga pants are not permitted. No electronic devices allowed in the bowler's area. Tournament management must approve any/all exceptions prior to the event. If the dress code is deemed unacceptable, the participant will be required to change immediately. If the participant is unable to change, they will be removed from competition for that day. Re-scheduling will be accommodated only when possible.
13. No replacements permitted once the squad has started. Replacements may be used for scheduled bowlers not present at least 45 minutes prior to the squad time as stated in Rule 2. **Replacements must be from the same center, league and division based on their order of finish. Rule 322b will be waived.**
14. Tardy bowlers shall start in the frame currently being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Bowlers not present to bowl when it's their turn will receive a zero for that frame.
15. Only bowlers and Tournament Officials are permitted in the settee area.
16. **Practice is prohibited** in the hosting center during the weekend of competition (Saturday night).



2026 California USBC Association
YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS
STATE RULES



17. **AVERAGE VERIFICATION FOR HANDICAP SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- Highest USBC certified league average (min. of 15 games) **AS OF MARCH 1, 2026. FALL LEAGUE SHEETS ENDING BEFORE JANUARY 1 ARE ALSO REQUIRED IF NOT ALREADY POSTED ON BOWL.com.** If none,
- Highest USBC certified league average as of the tournament date (min. of 15 games; sheet required). If none,
- Highest USBC certified league average from 2024-25 (min. of 15 games). If none,
- Scratch (175 for U8-U10 divisions; 210 for U12-U18 divisions)

BOWLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING THEIR OWN AVERAGES. If a certified "sport/challenge" league average is the youth's only verifiable average, it will be adjusted per the chart in the USBC Rulebook to determine the correct entering average.

18. Scratch and Handicap scholarships will be awarded based on the number of participants with a ratio of at least 1:8 per division, with a major fraction thereof. **Handicap is 100% of 210 for the U12-U18 Divisions and 80% of 175 for the U8-U10 Divisions.** Awards and Scholarship fees shall be returned 100%. All ties will be split equally. Scholarships will be held with USBC SMART under account #10717, (800) 514-2695 x8292. Special Olympic winners may opt to receive a gift card (maximum of \$300) in lieu of SMART scholarships if they are not attending college or trade school. A CUSBC waiver must be signed to process the gift card.
19. **U8 & U10 Champions will earn a FREE entry (\$50 value) into the California Youth State Championships held on June 20-21, 2026 at Arlington Lanes, Riverside.** In order to redeem this award, the winner must pay and enter with a full team of their choice and also bowl the singles event. The entry will be reimbursed after the tournament is completed and participation is verified. This berth is applicable only to the four Champions will be voided if they cannot attend or do not enter with a full team entry.

20. **California is allocated 8 berths into the Junior Gold Championships. The first-place winners (or highest finishing athlete who has not already advanced) of the U12, U14, U16 and U18 divisions for both Girls and Boys will advance to the 2026 Junior Gold Championships (July 11-18, 2026, Minneapolis, MN).** They must be USBC Junior Gold members to advance to the Junior Gold Championships. Bowlers without a current Junior Gold membership must purchase a Junior Gold membership prior to May 15. USBC will waive the \$250 (U18/U16), \$200 (U14) and \$150 (U12) entry fee for these athletes. These athletes will compete for additional scholarships available to all athletes at the Junior Gold Championships as well as other prizes and awards. All U.S. citizens are vying for a spot on USBC Junior Team USA 2027 to represent the United States in national and international competition. If the U12, U14, U16 or U18 Division Champion is unwilling to become a Junior Gold member, they will not advance to the Junior Gold Championships. However, the athlete will still retain the state scholarship, but the berth to the Junior Gold Championships will be awarded to the next eligible athlete. Eligible advancers 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 level. In the event that a qualifier needs to be replaced and there is a tie to determine who will advance to the Junior Gold Championships, the highest game from the qualifying scores will determine who will advance. If the high score for each is the same, the next subsequent high score will be used until the tie is broken. Replacements will incur all costs associated with changing the airline ticket, if applicable. **The California USBC Association will provide the U12, U14, U16 & U18 Champions (8 total) a travel stipend valued up to \$500 and a Strike12Creations.com jersey.** The jersey and stipend are offered only for the champions attending the Jr Gold Championships and is non-transferrable. If the champion does not attend the Junior Gold Championships, the jersey and stipend will be forfeited. Arrangements will be made by each athlete within stated guidelines and parameters from the California USBC Association. **Junior Gold berth winners are not confirmed until they receive confirmation from USBC.**

21. **ONLY A DRY TOWEL FOR CLEANING MAY BE USED DURING COMPETITION. ELIMINATION OF BALANCE HOLES:** Bowlers may have up to five holes for gripping purposes and all must be used on every delivery. If only fingers are used, the thumb hole must be plugged and an "X" marked for the palm position. Any bowling ball that does not meet USBC specifications will subject the bowler to disqualification of all tournament scores. We reserve the option to do random spot checks and we may be reported to check equipment by another bowler. **Visit BOWL.com to download the Non-conforming Bowling Ball List.**
22. Food and drinks are permissible in the back area only. **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** Non-alcoholic beer may NOT be consumed while participating in the tournament. No tobacco or smoking products permitted by participants. Conduct derogatory to the best interest of youth bowling in conjunction with USBC will result in immediate disqualification (Refer to rule 17D). Adults consuming alcohol must remain in the lounge or in back concourse area.
23. **NO OUTSIDE FOOD ALLOWED INSIDE THE CENTER.** Please be respectful of the hosting center's rules and guidelines.
24. All matters not covered by these rules and regulations shall be determined by the California USBC Youth Committee. The National USBC Youth Scratch Championships Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.

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Web: CALUSBC.com

CA YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING WORKSHEET

- Bowlers can qualify based on a ratio of 1:4 per division. They have two chances to qualify.
- List all bowlers in the division and rank them high to low by scratch series. See sample.

Worksheets (one per division) must be accompanied by:

- Current league sheet and SUMMARY SHEET
- USBC league membership listing showing 2025-26 dues paid and USBC IDs
- Entry fee payment – one center check or money order only PER CENTER



Paperwork & Fees due:
JANUARY 28

Center PARADISE LANES League ABC FUN LEAGUE

League Type: ☒ Standard ☐ Sport ☐ Challenge Qualifying Dates NOV 8 & 15

Division: ☐ U8 Girls ☐ U10 Girls ☒ U8 Boys ☒ U10 Boys *Select only one division per worksheet* **SAMPLE** **Youth with current Special Olympic youth membership are eligible to participate*

	ATHLETE'S NAME	INITIAL (ACCEPT DIVISION)	BIRTHDATE M/D/Y	WEEK	SCRATCH SERIES	QUALIFIED?	
						RANK	YES or NO
1	JAMES SCHULTZ	JS	10/7/16	1st wk	525	3	YES
				2nd wk	576		
2	DENNIS MENACE	DM	7/19/16	1st wk	482	5	NO
				2nd wk	500		
3	TOM JONES	TJ	3/20/17	1st wk	675	1	YES
				2nd wk	589		
4	BOB LIVINGSTON	BL	5/5/17	1st wk	622	2	NO
				2nd wk	636		
5	RICHARD WILLIAMS	RW	12/8/16	1st wk	524	4	NO
				2nd wk	560		
6	BRIAN SMITH	BS	9/5/15	1st wk	485	6	NO
				2nd wk	495		
7				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
8				1st wk			
				2nd wk			
9				1st wk			
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10				1st wk			
				2nd wk			

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# OF ENTRANTS	DIV. RATIO	ADVANCERS
6	1:4	2
ENTRY FEE		\$ 40.00
ENTRY FEE DUE		\$ 80-

RATIO CHART:

- 1-4 bowlers = 1 qualifier
- 5-8 bowlers = 2 qualifiers
- 9-12 bowlers = 3 qualifiers, etc

DIVISIONS (BOYS/GIRLS) ARE BASED ON BIRTHDAYS:

- U8 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2017 OR LATER
- U10 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2015 THRU 7/31/17
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- U14 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2011 THRU 7/31/13
- U16 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2009 THRU 7/31/11
- U18 DIVISION: BIRTHDATE IS 8/1/2007 THRU 7/31/09

CA YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING WORKSHEET

- Bowlers can qualify based on a ratio of 1:4 per division. They have two chances to qualify.
- List all bowlers in the division and rank them high to low by scratch series. See sample.

Worksheets (one per division) must be accompanied by:

- Current league sheet and SUMMARY SHEET
- USBC league membership listing showing 2025-26 dues paid and USBC IDs
- Entry fee payment – one center check or money order only PER CENTER



Paperwork & Fees due:
JANUARY 28

Center _____ League _____

League Type: ☐ Standard ☐ Sport ☐ Challenge Qualifying Dates _____

Division: ☐ U8 Girls ☐ U10 Girls *Select only one division*
☐ U8 Boys ☐ U10 Boys *per worksheet*

**Youth with current Special Olympic youth membership are eligible to participate*

ATHLETE'S NAME	INITIAL (ACCEPT DIVISION)	BIRTHDATE M/D/Y	WEEK	SCRATCH SERIES	QUALIFIED?	
					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			
			2nd wk			
8			1st wk			
			2nd wk			
9			1st wk			
			2nd wk			
10			1st wk			
			2nd wk			

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	1:4	
ENTRY FEE		\$ 40.00
ENTRY FEE DUE		\$

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JANUARY 28

Center _____ League _____

League Type: ☐ Standard ☐ Sport ☐ Challenge Qualifying Dates _____

Division: ☐ U12 Girls ☐ U14 Girls ☐ U16 Girls ☐ U18 Girls *Select only one division per worksheet*
☐ U12 Boys ☐ U14 Boys ☐ U16 Boys ☐ U18 Boys

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			2nd wk			
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			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			
			2nd wk			
8			1st wk			
			2nd wk			
9			1st wk			
			2nd wk			
10			1st wk			
			2nd wk			

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# OF ENTRANTS	DIV. RATIO	ADVANCERS
	1:4	
ENTRY FEE		\$ 65.00
ENTRY FEE DUE		\$

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USBC YOUTH SCRATCH CHAMPIONSHIPS WAIVER FORM

The USBC Youth Scratch 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 season’s tournament only. Requests are by written application only by the parent or legal guardian. While the USBC Youth Scratch 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 player’s 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

Requested Age Division: (Circle one) U10 U12

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 USBC Youth Scratch 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 USBC Youth Scratch 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 USBC Youth Scratch Championships that all players compete at a level they are capable of, both physically and developmentally.

This form must be submitted to the USBC Youth Scratch Championships 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 _____