

GREATER TOLEDO USBC YOUTH SINGLES TOURNAMENT RULES

1. This is a **USBC** certified tournament, open to all **YOUTH** bowlers who bowl within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Association and pay \$4.00 National dues, in addition to the entry fee.
2. Only tournament participants, officials and center personnel are allowed in the settee area. This includes vacant lanes immediately adjacent to the tournament bowlers. The consumption of alcohol or the use of tobacco products within the designated tournament area, by anyone, is strictly forbidden.
3. A **Code of Conduct** will be enforced. This includes, but is not limited to, smoking or the use of any tobacco product or the consumption of alcohol, during the tournament. **No bowling balls with explicit names may be used during the tournament.** Violations will result in immediate removal and disqualification. **No Exceptions.** Participants are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship at all times. Lane courtesy applies to 1 (one) lane in each direction. The use of audio players, computers, and cell phones, including text messaging are prohibited once squad practice has begun. Violations will be dealt with by the tournament manager.
4. The **Dress Code.** Bowlers are **NOT** allowed to wear clothing that has advertising for alcohol or tobacco products or is otherwise deemed inappropriate by the tournament manager or proprietor. No hats, sunglasses or other headgear are allowed.
5. Bowlers will bowl 3 games. Bowlers will use their highest average from 2021/22 as an entering average. If they have no average from 2021/22 they will use their current average as of 12 games or more, at the time of the squad. If a bowler does not meet either of these two requirements, they must enter the tournament with 220. The handicap is 100% of the difference between the bowler's entering average and 220. Bowlers that have already participated in the Youth Team or Youth Doubles tournament for this season will use the same average used in the first tournament in which they participated.
6. Bowlers may participate more than once in the tournament, if spots are available, but may bowl only once per squad and can receive only 1 (one) award for this tournament. Awards will be based on a ratio of 1 (one) award per 8 (eight) bowlers per division. The highest score in each division will be announced as winner, even with no handicap. If a division has 10 (ten) or more paid entries, 1 (one) actual score award will be given for that division. A bowler may **NOT** win both handicap and scratch awards in a division. **Scholarship monies will be available as well as tournament awards.**
7. The entry fee is non-refundable after the first squad starts. There is a \$30.00 fee for returned checks.
8. Bowlers are requested to check in at least 30 minutes prior to squad times. Bowlers, who have not contacted the tournament manager and have not checked in 15 minutes prior to the squad time, could lose their spot. Late arriving bowlers will receive 0 (zero) for all missed frames.
9. USBC tournament rules cover any not listed above. Decisions of the tournament manager are final; unless a protest of appeal is filed according to USBC Rule 329.

ALL EVENTS SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY:

Each bowler participating in the GTUSBCA Youth Team, Doubles and Singles tournaments will be competing for scholarship funds. The highest 9 game total in handicap and actual in each division, female and male, will be awarded scholarship funds deposited to their SMART account. The first score bowled in each event will be used for the All-Events total. Average used for the first event bowled will be used for all events bowled in the current season.