

GREATER TOLEDO USBC YOUTH DOUBLES TOURNAMENT RULES

1. This is a USBC certified tournament, open to all **YOUTH** bowlers who bowl within the jurisdictional boundary of the Association and pay \$4.00 National dues, in addition to the tournament 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, no smoking or the use of any tobacco products 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 one (1) lane in each direction. The use of audio players, computers and cell phones, including text messaging are prohibited once the 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 2022/23 as an entering average. If they have no average from 2022/23 they will use their current average of 12 games or more, at the time of the squad. If a bowler does not meet either of these requirements, they must enter the tournament at 220. The handicap is 100% of the difference between the team's entering average and 440. Bowlers that have already participated in the Youth Team or Youth Singles 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 this tournament, if spots are available, but may bowl only once per squad, and can receive only 1 (one) award, per division. Awards will be based on a ratio of one (1) award per eight (8) bowlers per division. The highest score in each division will be announced as winner, even if no handicap. If a division has ten (10) or more paid entries, one (1) actual score award will be given for that division. A doubles team may **NOT** win both handicap and scratch awards in a division.
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 time. Bowlers, who have not contacted the tournament manager and have not checked in 15 minutes prior to squad time, could lose their spot. Late arriving bowlers will receive zero (0) for all missed frames.
9. USBC tournament rules cover any not listed above. Decisions of the tournament manager are final unless a protest or appeal is filed according to USBC Rule 329.

TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO HOLD RANDOM BOWLING BALL INSPECTIONS AT ANY POINT DURING THE COURSE OF THE TOURNAMENT

***ALL EVENTS SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY:**

Each bowler who participates in all three GTUSBCA Youth City Championship Tournaments (Team, Doubles and Singles) will be competing for a \$500.00 scholarship for a female and a male in each average division. The highest 9 game total actual and handicap in each division will be awarded the scholarship. The first series bowled in each event will be used for the All Events total. www.toledobowling.com

BOWLERS COMPETING IN ALL THREE CITY EVENTS (TEAM, DOUBLES AND SINGLES) WILL HAVE \$100 ADDED TO THEIR S.M.A.R.T. SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT AFTER THE YOUTH BANQUET IN MAY.