



ATTENTION COACHES

VERY IMPORTANT !!!

USBC PEPSI GUIDELINES

ALL bowling will be on a scratch basis

BIRTHDATE RANGES FOR THE AGE DIVISIONS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS. EACH AGE DIVISION WILL HAVE A SEPARATE BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISION. YOU MUST RUN EACH DIVISION - NO EXCEPTIONS

- U8 Division – Boys/Girls – Birthdate is 8/1/2016 or later
- U10 Division – Boys/Girls – Birthdate is 8/1/2014 Through 7/31/2016
- U12 Division – Boys/Girls – Birthdate is 8/1/2012 through 7/31/2014
- U15 Division – Boys/Girls – Birthdate is 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
- U18 Division -- Boys/Girls - Birthdate is 8/1/2006 through 7/31/2009

Bowlers may choose to 'bowl up' to a higher division (i.e. a bowler that is U8 division by age may elect to bowl in the U10 division). To do this a bowler and his/her parents MUST complete a PEPSI Youth Championships Waiver **PRIOR TO THE FIRST BOWLING DURING YOUR QUALIFYING WINDOW.**

We will be putting many of our 'forms' and 'manuals' in the RESOURCES section of the state youth website (<http://www.ilusbcyouth.org/>). This document and many more will be there soon if not already posted there. This will include our PEPSI Zone and State Rules (State Rules to be posted when Zones are completed).

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League qualifying MUST be conducted for USBC Youth members - it is a benefit of their membership!

Please read this packet carefully

USBC is no longer providing your league level qualifying handbook in paper form. You can download the handbook from www.ilusbcyouth.org (handbooks and other resources are on the RESOURCES tab) or from www.bowl.com (Tournaments>Youth>PEPSI Championships)

There is one (2 wk) league qualifying window (**Oct. 2-15, 2024**). The advancement ratio is 1:2, with at least 10 bowlers per division, per league, eligible to advance to the Zone tournament. You may request an adjustment (via your zone tournament manager) in the qualifying window as long as it does not interfere with IHSA bowlers because it is during the IHSA season or favor one group of bowlers in your league over another because of conflicts.

The U8, U10 and U12 Divisions will bowl their Zone Tournament in January or early February of 2025. U15 and U18 Divisions will bowl their Zone Tournament in late February or early March of 2025. Your Zone Tournament Manager will provide you with the exact dates for your zone in a separate mailing.

The State Tournament for the U8/U10/U12 divisions will be held at Pheasant Lanes in Bloomington and the U15/U18 divisions will be held at Bertrand Lanes in Waukegan. The U8/U10/U12 divisions will be April 11-13, 2025. The U15/U18 Divisions will be April 25-27, 2025. Bowlers in the U12 Division **MUST** bowl a qualifying round on either Friday (evening squad), April 11 or Saturday, April 12 to determine semi finalists who will bowl on Sunday, April 13. Bowlers in the U15 and U18 Divisions **MUST** bowl a qualifying round on either Friday, April 25 (evening squad) or Saturday, April 26 to determine semi finalists who will bowl on Sunday, April 27.

Further details are explained in this packet.

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE
IL PEPSI USBC YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS!**



**ILLINOIS USBC YOUTH
2024-2025
ZONE TOURNAMENT MANAGERS**



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We will be sending our U12, U15 and U18 winners (both boys and girls) to the 2025 Junior Gold Championships in Green Bay, WI. This year we anticipate again awarding around

\$1 00, 000

in scholarships between the zone and state tournaments. State scholarships will be dependent on the participation in each division and paying in a ratio of 1:5. For the U12, U15 and U18 divisions all bowlers that return on Sunday will receive a scholarship prize (MUST return to bowl to earn a prize).

STATE FINALS

- **U15/U18 divisions.** Bowlers will bowl six games on one of two qualifying dates (April 25 or 26, 2025). The number of bowlers advancing to Sunday will be announced prior to the tournament based on participation in all divisions. All pinfall will carry forward. Those advancing to the semi-finals will bowl five more games. The top six in each division (after semi finals) will bowl six more games of match play (20 bonus pins for winning a match) and the final rankings will be based on total pinfall plus bonus pins for all games bowled.
- **U12 Divisions:** Format is similar to U15/U18 Divisions. Bowlers will bowl 4 games of qualifying on April 11 or 12, 2025. The top 16 bowlers will advance to Semi Finals on Sunday, April 13, 2025 (4 games) with another cut to the top 4 for more games of match play. Final rankings will be based on total pinfall plus match play bonus pins.
- **U8/U10 Divisions:** Bowlers will bowl three games on any one day April 11-13, 2025. Final standings in each division will be based on the scratch pinfall from the series for each division.

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LEAGUE REPORT FORM

U8, U10 and U12 DIVISIONS



Use one per LEAGUE – reproduce as necessary

Submitter's Name: _____ Submitter's Telephone Number: _____

Submitter's Address: _____ Submitter's E-mail: _____
Street City Zip

Bowling Center: _____ League Name: _____ League Certification # _____
(This # can be found on your league certification application)

Dates of League Qualifying Window: _____

Bowling Center Phone: _____ Bowling Center Fax: _____

DIVISION (see age chart for divisions)	Number of League Participants	Number Advancing to Zone Level (Ratio: 1 in 2) At least 10 per division	Entry Fee Per Division (\$18.00)	Lineage Per Division (see zone entry form for lineage rate for your zone)	Total Fees Per Division
U8 GIRLS			\$	\$	\$
U8 BOYS			\$	\$	\$
U10 GIRLS			\$	\$	\$
U10 BOYS			\$	\$	\$
U12 GIRLS			\$	\$	\$
U12 BOYS			\$	\$	\$
Total Number to Advance: _____					Total Amount Due: \$

REMINDER: Entry Deadline for the U8, U10 and U12 Divisions is **NOVEMBER 15, 2024**.

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LEAGUE REPORT FORM U15 and U18 DIVISIONS



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Submitter's Name: _____ Submitter's Telephone Number: _____

Submitter's Address: _____ Submitter's E-mail: _____
Street City Zip

Bowling Center: _____ League Name: _____ League Certification # _____

Dates of League Qualifying Window: _____)

Bowling Center Phone: _____ Bowling Center Fax: _____

DIVISION (see age chart for divisions)	Number of League Participants	Number Advancing to Zone Level (Ratio: 1 in 2) At least 10 per division	Entry Fee Per Division (\$18.00)	Lineage Per Division (see zone entry form for lineage rate for your zone)	Total Fees Per Division
U15 GIRLS			\$	\$	\$
U15 BOYS			\$	\$	\$
U18 GIRLS			\$	\$	\$
U18 BOYS			\$	\$	\$
Total Number to Advance: _____			Total Amount Due: \$ _____		

REMINDER: Entry Deadline for the U15 and U18 Divisions is **DECEMBER 13, 2024**

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