

Michigan

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League Level Qualifying	October 11-24, 2025	NA
Sectional Level Qualifying	NA	NA
State Finals	May 2-3, 2026 May 9-10, 2026	South Lanes (Three Rivers, MI)
State Finals Certification Number		Cert. #04135
Rules	See Below	

2026
MICHIGAN STATE USBC
YOUTH SCRATCH STATE FINALS

Divisions – U8, U10, & U12

• **Based on Participant's Date of Birth** •

(See Rule 1(A) – Divisions)



League Qualifying Dates: October 11 thru October 24 (2 weeks)

Centers May Request Variance in Dates

Entry Deadline of January 23, 2026, for ALL – No Exceptions

Pre-bowled or post-bowled scores may not be used as scores for advancement purposes.

STATE FINALS COMPETITION

Hosted by

SOUTH LANES

1147 W Broadway St, Three Rivers 49093

(269) 278-7515

May 2-3, May 9-10

Additional Squad Dates May Be Added If Needed

Opportunity for Scholarship Points

U12 Winners Will Have the Opportunity to Advance to the
Junior Gold Championships



U8, U10 & U12 Rules & Regulations

1. DIVISIONS

- A. Competition will be conducted in the following divisions: U8 (8/1/17 or later), U10 (8/1/15 thru 7/31/17) & U12 (8/1/13 thru 7/31/15) – **ALL COMPETITION ON ALL LEVELS TO BE SCRATCH ONLY.**
These divisions are based on the participant's date of birth.
- B) The top (1) bowler in the U12 division for boys and girls at the state competition with the highest scratch score will earn a berth to the Junior Gold Championships. Bowlers are not required to have a minimum average or be a Junior Gold program member to enter the U12 division at the league level of qualifying for the Youth Scratch Championships. However, to receive the berth, the bowler must be a USBC Youth Standard member and Junior Gold program member prior to submission of name. If the winner is not eligible for the Junior Gold Championships, they will still retain all awards from the state, but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the championship event.
- C) Advancers to the Junior Gold Championships 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.
- D) If a bowler has already earned a berth into the Junior Gold Championships and wins the U12 division in the Youth Scratch Championships, they would receive any scholarship assigned to their finishing position. The spot into the Junior Gold Championships would go to the next eligible athlete in line by order of finishing position. In the case of position ties in any division that advances to the Junior Gold Championships, the advancer will be the bowler with the highest individual game bowled in this event. Any tiebreakers are to determine advancer(s) only, and duplicate scholarship opportunities/symbolic awards will be awarded if applicable.
2. This tournament is USBC certified and advancement to state level will be at least on a 1-7 ratio per league, per division as specified in Rule 1-A as outlined:
1 qualifier for 1-7 members per league per division
2 qualifiers for 8-14 members per league per division
3 qualifiers for 15-21 members per league per division
4 qualifiers for 21-28 members per league per division, and so on.
To determine your total number of bowlers – add together the number of bowlers present and bowling each week in each league. Example: 1st week -15, 2nd week – 17 –Total number to base your advancement is 32. This league would be eligible to advance 5 bowlers. Bowlers can only advance to **ONE** State Finals competition.
3. Qualifiers to the state level for these divisions, must pay a **\$20.00 entry fee** (Lineage/Expenses: \$18.00, \$2.00 awards). Award fees will be returned 100%. Completed entry and entry fees must be submitted **by January 23, 2026**. (310a) All bowlers must have a current USBC membership at the time of qualifying. No refunds will be issued (see USBC rule 314). Overpayments of \$10.00 or less will not be returned. Checks returned for insufficient fees will be charged a **\$30.00 fee**.
4. **All bowlers will roll 3 games.**
5. **Errors** in scoring must be reported to the Tournament director within **24 hours of completion of the squad** in which the bowler participated.
6. No use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or unsportsmanlike conduct will be permitted while participating in this tournament. No use of pool tables, amusement games or machines will be allowed by bowlers while bowling. Drinking alcohol on the concourse for spectators will be prohibited during tournament competition. Outside food or drink is **NOT** allowed to be brought into the center.
7. Bowlers must **check in 1-hour BEFORE** squad time.
8. Tardy bowlers must start in the frame in progress. **Frames missed will be credited with a zero.**
9. **ALTERNATES: Any entrant unable to participate at the state level may be replaced by the next eligible bowler as listed on the alternate roster submitted by the coach which lists the order in which bowlers qualified in their division. All replacements must be from the same division. Alternates must be inserted at least 1 hour prior to squad time.**
10. Scholarships Opportunities will be awarded based on the total number of entries of all divisions and combined age groups. Scholarship amounts/positions will be determined annually based on Sponsor Allocations. Symbolic awards (plaques, medals, trophies, participation gifts, etc.) will also be awarded in each division based on number of entries per division (1 in10 minimum). All ties will receive duplicate symbolic awards/opportunities if applicable. Scholarship Opportunities awarded as a result of this tournament will be administered by the SMART program. A minimum GPA of 2.0 will be required to receive funds.
11. Bowlers will receive 5 minutes of practice on their starting lanes. Only bowlers, scorekeepers/monitors and tournament officials are allowed in the immediate bowling area. Seating is for bowlers first!
12. There shall be only one entry per bowler at the state level regardless of the number of leagues in which the individual may have qualified. Bowlers may only advance to **ONE** State Finals.
13. **Proper attire shall be worn – no hats or offensive clothing. Full length T-Shirt or full-length Polo Shirt (NO CROPPED SHIRTS), Slacks, Pants are preferred or skirts or shorts that must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing, and their arms are hanging loosely at their side.** The dress code will be enforced, and the tournament director(s) have the discretion to ask bowler(s) to change or be disqualified.
14. **BOWLERS WHO DO NOT SHOW UP FOR THEIR SCHEDULED SQUAD TIME WILL RECEIVE A SCORE OF ZERO FOR THE TOURNAMENT.** Bowlers must bowl at their assigned date and time unless the Tournament Coordinator has authorized a change upon receipt of a written request by e-mail, Fax or letter **PRIOR** to their scheduled date/time (no phone calls). Changes will be made based on lane/squad availability and provided an alternate has not replaced the original participant. Emergencies will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.
15. The use of electronics is prohibited while participating in the tournament.
16. **The Michigan State Youth Scratch Championships Committee shall determine ALL matters not covered by these rules and regulations.** The National USBC Youth Scratch Championships Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.

All Applications must be submitted to: Youth Scratch Championships: PO Box 217 – Grandville MI 49468-0217
Please Note: Questions should be directed to 616/635-2032 - REMEMBER – ONLY Center Coordinators May Submit Entries!
Request for Changes **MUST** be submitted in writing by email: pepsi@michiganstateusbc.com, Fax or Letter

U8, U10 & U12

Michigan State Youth Scratch Championships

Office Use Only:
Tournament ID # _____
Date/Time: _____

Certification # 4135

Entries Close January 23, 2026 (no exceptions – see USBC rule 310a)

State Finals Entry Fee: 20.00 (Lineage/Expenses: \$18.00, Awards: \$2.00)

Dress Code: See Rule #13

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY: (Blue or black ink only please!)

All areas MUST be completed.

QUALIFYING SCORE: _____

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ USBC ID# _____ - _____
Month/Day/Year Example: 2345 - 134652

Boy: - U8 - U10 - U12 or Girl: - U8 - U10 - U12

E-Mail Address _____

Name of League Qualified From: _____

League Starting Date: _____ League Ending Date: _____

Requests for early qualifying dates in leagues must be approved by the Tournament Director.

SQUAD DATES:	Saturdays:	May 2	May 9	TIMES:	9:00 am	1:00 pm
	Sundays:	May 3	May 10	TIMES:	9:00 am	1:00 pm

* Squads or times may be added or cancelled based on number of entries.

1st Choice: _____ Date & Time 2nd Choice: _____ Date & Time 3rd Choice: _____ Date & Time

****I am commuting with (Bowler's Name) _____ bowling in the _____ Division

Please schedule as follows: Same Day/Time _____ Same Day/Different Time _____ Same Weekend/Different Day _____

In signing this entry, I acknowledge that I have read and will abide by all the rules (including scholarship requirements), and the Dress Code (Rule #13).

Bowlers' Signature: _____ Parents' Signature: _____

Return this entry form to your coach/center coordinator by: _____

FOR COACH OR LEAGUE OFFICIALS ONLY: THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED

This certifies that I have checked eligibility of the above bowler, and they are qualified under the rules herein. <i>Coach/League Officials must be USBC members, RVP and Safesport</i>	
Coach's Name: _____	USBC# <u>Must be Listed</u> _____
Address: _____	City _____ Zip _____
Center: _____	City of Center: _____
E-mail Address: _____	Evening Phone: _____ / _____

TEAR ON FOLD AND RETURN ONLY THIS PORTION

BOWLER NAME: _____

**For purposes of assigning lanes – please complete this section –
ALL COMPETITION IS SCRATCH**

Center	League Name	# of Games	Average as of 12/01/25	Games bowled per Week (2, 3, etc)

**THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR COACH OR
CENTER COORDINATOR!**
(Any entry sent separately will be returned and will not be scheduled)

THIS INFORMATION IS FOR COACHES ONLY

Please send **ALL** completed entries together with full fees. **The Center Report form MUST also be submitted, or entries will not be processed.**

Mail to:
Youth Scratch Championships:
PO Box 217
Grandville MI 49468-0217
Phone: 616/635-2032 or E-mail at Pepsi@michiganstateusbc.com

- ✓ Closing date for entries is **January 23, 2026** (no exceptions - See USBC rule 310a)
Entries received after this date will be returned
- ✓ * Fees must be remitted by cashier's check, money order or certified check:
Make payable to "Michigan State USBC."
- ✓ Do not combine division fees - Please send a **separate** check for the upper age division fees.
- ✓ Copies should be made on **WHITE** paper only.
- ✓ Please complete in black or blue ink **only!**
- ✓ * Checks returned for Non-sufficient Funds will be assessed a \$30.00 fee.

Premature termination of the tournament brought on by war, national emergency, or emergency causes relating thereto or therefrom, fire, national disaster or any other reason beyond the control of the Michigan State USBC shall cause, to the extent required thereby, all advertised prizes, guaranteed or otherwise, to be prorated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled in each of the respective squads up to the time of such termination.

2026
MICHIGAN STATE USBC
YOUTH SCRATCH STATE FINALS

Divisions – U14 & U16 & U18

• **Based on Participant's Date of Birth** •

(See Rule 1(A) – Divisions)



League Qualifying Dates: October 11 thru October 24 (2 weeks)

Centers May Request Variance in Dates

Entry Deadline of January 23, 2026 for ALL – No Exceptions

Pre-bowled or post-bowled scores may not be used as scores for advancement purposes.

STATE FINALS COMPETITION

Will be conducted on a Sport/Challenge condition

Hosted by

Continental Lanes

3645 Vanrick Dr, Kalamazoo 49001

(269) 343-2626

May 2-3, May 9-10

Additional Squad Dates May Be Added If Needed

Opportunity for Scholarship Points

Six Divisional Winners Will Have the Opportunity to Advance to the
Junior Gold Championships



U14 & U16 & U18 Rules & Regulations

1. **Divisions:**
 - A) Competition will be conducted in the following divisions:
U14 (*Birthdate 8/1/11 thru 7/31/13*), U16 (*Birthdate 8/1/09 thru 7/31/11*), U18 (*Birthdate 8/1/07 thru 7/31/09*) – **ALL COMPETITION ON ALL LEVELS TO BE SCRATCH ONLY.**
These divisions are based on the participant's date of birth.
 - B) The top (1) bowler in the U14, U16 and U18 divisions for boys and girls at the state competition with the highest scratch score will earn a berth to the Junior Gold Championships. Bowlers are not required to have a minimum average or be a Junior Gold program member to enter the U14, U16 or U18 divisions at the league level of qualifying for the Junior Gold Championships. However, to receive the berth, the bowler must be a USBC Youth Standard member and Junior Gold program member prior to submission of name. If the winner is not eligible for the Junior Gold Championships, they will still retain all awards from the state, but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the championship event.
 - C) Advancers to the Junior Gold Championships 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.
 - D) If a bowler has already earned a berth into the Junior Gold Championships and wins either the U14, U16 or U18 division in the Youth Scratch Championships, they would receive any scholarship assigned to their finishing position. The spot into the Junior Gold Championships would go to the next eligible athlete in line by order of finishing position. In case of position ties in any division that advances to the Junior Gold Championships, the advancer will be the bowler with the highest individual game bowled in this event. Any tiebreakers are to determine advancer(s) only, and duplicate scholarship opportunities/symbolic awards will be awarded if applicable.
2. This tournament is USBC certified and advancement to the state level will be at least on a 1-7 ratio per league, per division as specified in Rule A-1 as outlined.
 - 1 qualifier for 1-7 members per league per division
 - 2 qualifiers for 8-14 members per league per division
 - 3 qualifiers for 15-21 members per league per division
 - 4 qualifiers for 22-28 members per league per division, and so on. To determine your total number of bowlers – add together the number of bowlers present and bowling each week in league. EXAMPLE: 1st week – 15, 2nd week – 17: Total number to base your advancement is 32. This league would be eligible to advance 5 bowlers. Bowlers can only advance to **ONE** State Finals competition.
3. Qualifiers to the state level for these divisions, must pay a **\$30.00 entry fee** (\$27.00 Lineage/Expenses, \$3.00 awards). Award fees will be returned 100%. Completed entry, and entry fees must be submitted no later than **January 23, 2026** (310a). All bowlers must have a current USBC membership at the time of qualifying. No refunds will be issued (see USBC rule 314). Overpayments of \$10.00 or less will not be returned. Checks returned for insufficient fees will be charged a \$30.00 fee.
4. **All bowlers will roll 6 games (two 3 game blocks)** moving one pair of lanes after the first 3 game block. These games will be conducted on a Sport/Challenge condition. Total pins will determine winners in all divisions.
5. **Errors** in scoring must be reported to the Tournament Director within **24 hours of completion of the squad** in which the bowler participated.
6. No use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or unsportsmanlike conduct will be permitted while participating in this tournament. No use of pool tables, amusement games or machines will be allowed by bowlers while bowling. Drinking alcohol on the concourse for spectators will be prohibited during tournament competition. Outside food or drink is **NOT** allowed to be brought into the center.
7. Bowlers must check-in 1 hour **BEFORE** squad time.
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9. **ALTERNATES:** Any entrant unable to participate at the state level may be replaced by the next eligible bowler as listed on the alternate roster submitted by the coach, which lists the order in which bowlers qualified in their division. All replacements must be from the same division. Alternates must be inserted at least 1 hour prior to squad time.
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11. Scholarship Opportunities awarded as a result of this tournament will be administered by the SMART program. A minimum GPA of 2.0 will be required to receive funds.
12. Bowlers will receive 5 minutes of practice on their starting lanes (1st three game block only). Only bowlers, scorekeepers/monitors and tournament officials are allowed in the immediate bowling area. Seating is for bowlers first!
13. There shall be **only one entry per bowler** at the state level, regardless of the number of leagues in which the individual may have qualified. Bowlers may only advance to **ONE** State Finals.
14. **Proper attire shall be worn – no hats or ripped or offensive clothing. Full length T-Shirt or full-length Polo Shirt (NO CROPPED SHIRTS), Slacks, Pants preferred or skirts or shorts that must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing, and their arms are hanging loosely at their side.** The dress code will be enforced, and the tournament director(s) have the discretion to ask bowler(s) to change or be disqualified.
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U14 & U16 & U18

Michigan State Youth Scratch Championships

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Tournament ID # _____
Date/Time: _____

Certification 4136

Entries Close January 23, 2026 (no exceptions – see USBC rule 310a)

State Finals Entry Fee: \$30.00 (Lineage/Expenses: \$27.00, Awards: \$3.00)

Dress Code: See Rule #14

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QUALIFYING SCORE: _____

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Boy: - U14 - U16 - U18 or Girl: - U14 - U16 - U18

Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ USBC ID# _____ - _____
Month/Day/Year Example: 2345 – 134652

E-Mail Address: _____

Name of League Qualified From: _____

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Coach's Name: _____ USBC# Must be Listed _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Center: _____ City of Center: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Evening Phone: _____ / _____

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