

Oklahoma

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State Website	www.bowloklahoma.com	
League Level Qualifying	November 13-26, 2023	February 5-18, 2024
Sectional Level Qualifying	NA	NA
State Finals	March 23-24 & 30, 2024	Route 66 El Reno Bowl (El Reno, OK)
State Finals Certification Number		Cert. #05579 Cert. #05580
Rules	See Below	



2023-2024

Oklahoma Championship



State Championship Tournament

March 23-24 & 30

Route 66 El Reno Bowl

2412 Sunset Dr. – El Reno, OK 73036

405-262-3611

State Entry Deadline

March 11, 2024

Qualifying Windows

1st Window – November 13-26, 2023

2nd Window – February 5–18, 2024

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2024 Divisions

⇒ U8 Girls & U8 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdates is 8/1/2015 or later
⇒ U10 Girls & U10 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdates is 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/2015
⇒ U12 Girls & U12 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdates is 8/1/2011 thru 7/31/2013
⇒ U15 Girls & U15 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdates is 8/1/2008 thru 7/31/2011
⇒ U18 Girls & U18 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdates is 8/1/2005 thru 7/31/2008

Think of it this way...

If a bowler turns 9, 11, 13, 15 during the bowling season,
he/she would be in the next highest age division

State Championship Format

U8 & U10 Divisions	Bowl 3 games moving one pair of lanes each game
U12, U15 & U18 Divisions	Bowl 6 games moving one pair of lanes each game

Total Pins scratch will determine places

**Champions in U12, U15 & U18 Divisions win a paid entry at the
2024 Junior Gold Championships July in Detroit, Michigan**

There is no requirement of Junior Gold membership to win the
Junior Gold Spots in the U12, U15 & U18 Divisions.



2023-2024 Oklahoma Pepsi Championship Rules

1. 2024 Oklahoma Pepsi Championship is certified by the USBC (# 05579 U8-U10 & # 05580U12-U20) and shall be governed by the USBC rules and those specified in the Pepsi Tournament Handbook.
2. League qualifying will consist of (2) two, (2) week qualifying windows:
1st Window – November 13-26, 2023
2nd Window – February 5-18, 2024
3. Competition is a scratch event and is open to all 2023-24 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 2023-24 USBC Youth members, bowl in a USBC Youth league and have not violated USBC Rule 400.
4. 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 2023-24 USBC certified leagues are automatic league level qualifying sites.
5. 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 Pepsi Tournament Director. (State director information can be found on BOWL.com.)
6. Competition will be conducted in 10 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/Girls	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2015 or later
U10 Boys/Girls	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/2015
U12 Boys/Girls	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2011 thru 7/31/2013
U15 Boys/Girls	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2008 thru 7/31/2011
U18 Boys/Girls	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2005 thru 7/31/2008

*One way to think about this is....If a bowler turns 9, 11, 13,16 during the bowling season he/she would be in the next highest age division.

7. Advancement ratio from league to state competition will be 1 for 1 in all Divisions.
Pre-bowled and post-bowled scores may not be used as scores for advancement purposes.
Advancement to the state level will be from the league level.

8. Participants can attempt to qualify in any state/zone where they hold a 2023-24 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 the bowler advances out of the league level in more than one state/zone, the bowler must declare one state/zone to continue competing in before the next competition level.
 - C. 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

1. If no replacement has been made, bowlers arriving late shall begin play and the score shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Frames missed may not be made up. A bowler not present to bowl when it's their turn will be credited with a zero for that frame.
2. No substitutes will be permitted once athletes have started tournament play. However, replacements may be used for bowlers not present minutes prior to the squad time as stated in Rule 2. Replacements must be based on the order of finish from the prior level of competition. (i.e. the same window, same league and same center as the "no-show" bowler if replacement is from the league level. They must follow the order of advancement within that window/league.)
3. Competitors shall be allowed 8 minutes of practice on their starting pair.
4. Only bowlers and tournament officials shall be permitted in the settee area.
5. Claims for errors in scoring or general playing rules must be made to the Tournament Director no later than the start of the next block or 30 minutes after the completion of competition. Questionable errors shall be decided upon by the Tournament Director. All other protests must be confirmed in writing to the Tournament Director within 72 hours of the infraction. Under this rule, each protest must be specific in itself.
6. The top one (1) bowler in the U12, U15 and U18 divisions for boys and girls at the state/zone competition with the highest scratch score (plus applicable bonus pins) will earn a berth to the Junior Gold Championships to be held July 2024 in Detroit. Bowlers are not required to have a minimum average or be a Junior Gold program member to enter the U12, U15 or U18 divisions at the league level of qualifying for the Pepsi USBC Youth Championships. However, to receive the berth, the bowler must be a USBC Youth Standard member and USBC Junior Gold program member no later than May 16, 2024. **If the winner is not eligible for the Junior Gold Championships, he/she will still retain all awards from the state, but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the championships event.**

7. Awards and scholarship fees shall be returned 100% to the bowlers. Scholarships will be held in SMART account # 8541
8. 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/zone level.
9. **If a bowler has already earned a berth into the Junior Gold Championships and wins either the U12, U15 or U18 division in Pepsi, they would receive any scholarship or stipend 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.**
10. Symbolic awards will be given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place in each Division.
11. With added money from SMART this year, guaranteed scholarships will be awarded as follows in both Boy's and Girl's Scratch Divisions:
U8 & U10 Divisions – 1st Place \$200 • 2nd Place \$150
U12, U15 & U18 Divisions – 1st Place \$400 • 2nd Place \$300 • 3rd Place \$200
Additional scholarships will be awarded on a 1 for 6 basis in each division.
Handicap divisions will be awarded scholarships 1 for every 6 basis in each division.
Handicap money will come from un-assigned SMART funds.
12. Handicap division for bowlers with 189 average and below is being offered at no extra charge and will award scholarships 1 for every 6 entries per division. (minimum 1-2-3 places).
All bowlers must compete in the scratch divisions to be eligible for handicap competition.

Each bowler will use their highest current certified league average with a minimum of 12 games as of November 28, 2023. If no current average, use highest certified 2023 Summer league average of 18 games or more. If a bowler has none of the above, they may use their highest 2022-23 certified book average of 21 games or more.
Sport averages are allowed, if no other is available but will be adjusted using Rule 202a scale.
13. Individual handicap will be based on 80% of 189
14. Bowlers 189 average and below that do not have a bowl.com average must attach a copy of average verification, in the form of a league standing sheet or they will be entered scratch
15. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations will lead to disqualification from this event. The Pepsi USBC Youth Championships National Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.
16. The Pepsi USBC Youth Championships National Tournament Committee will decide all matters not covered by these rules and regulations, or USBC rules and regulations. All decisions are final.

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U8 • U10 Divisions
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GUARANTEED SCHOLARSHIPS!
\$200 \$150
First Place Second Place
Awarded in all scratch divisions



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DIVISION: **U8 GIRLS Scratch** **U10 GIRLS Scratch**
 U8 BOYS Scratch **U10 BOYS Scratch**

U8 birthdates
8/1/2015 or later

U10 birthdates
8/1/2013 through 7/31/2015

Bowlers Name: _____ USBC#: _____ Date of birth _____

Average: _____ verification MUST be attached if 189 & under Qualifying Bowling Center: _____

IMPORTANT - Email Address for confirmation: _____

☆ Format: Bowl 3 games – Total pins Scratch determines place. ☆

Entry Fee	
Lineage/Expense (3 Games)...	\$ 17.00
Scholarship Fee.....	\$ 14.50
Awards Fee	\$ 3.50
Total Entry Fee	\$ 35.00

Squad Times Available	
Please indicate date and time preference by placing a 1 for 1st choice and 2 for 2nd choice	
Saturday, March 23 - 9:30 am _____	Saturday, March 23 - 2:30 pm _____
Sunday March 24 - 9:30 am _____	Sunday March 24 - 2:30 pm _____
Saturday, March 30 - 9:30 am _____	Saturday March 30 – 2:30 pm _____

BOWLERS NOTE... DRESS CODE WILL BE ADHERED TO!

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There will be no sagging clothing or undergarment showing. Bowlers may not wear headwear of any type except when medically necessary. Bowlers may not wear apparel or use bowling equipment depicting alcohol, tobacco, gambling, illegal substances or inappropriate language/gestures during youth tournament competition. Bowlers will be asked to comply or will be removed from competition.

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Entries must be accurate and complete with full payment enclosed
Money Order, Cashiers Check or Bowling Center Check Only Please
Payable To: Oklahoma USBC Youth
NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED

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U12 birthdates U15 birthdates U18 birthdates
 8/1/2011 through 7/31/2013 8/1/2008 through 7/31/2011 8/1/2005 through 7/31/2008

Bowlers Name: _____ USBC#: _____ Date of birth _____

Average: _____ verification MUST be attached if 189 & under Qualifying Bowling Center: _____

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Format: Bowl 6 games moving one pair of lanes after 3 games – Total pins Scratch determines place.

☆ Champions in each Scratch Division receive entry into 2024 Junior Gold Championship • Detroit, Michigan ☆

Entry Fee

Lineage/Expense (6 Games) \$ 28.00
 Scholarship Fee\$ 13.50
 Awards Fee\$ 3.50
Total Entry Fee \$45.00

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