

South Dakota

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League Level Qualifying	October 23-November 5, 2023	January 8-21, 2024
Sectional Level Qualifying	NA	NA
State Finals	March 2-3, 2024	Eastway Bowl (Sioux Falls, SD)
State Finals Certification Number		Cert. #04886
Rules	See Below	



**2024 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP
U8 AND U10 DIVISIONS**

1. This tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress (#04885) and shall be governed by USBC Rules.
2. League level qualifying dates are: **October 23–November 5, 2023 and January 8–21, 2024**. Advancement from league is a one-time entry. Competition is open to all 2023-2024 SDSUSBC Youth members.
3. Advancement ratio from league competition to the State competition is **at least one for one (1 for 1) entries per division**. To be eligible to advance, you must have been present at least one week during the qualifying dates listed in Rule 2 to participate.
4. Advancers out of the league level must remain in the division they qualified in during all subsequent levels. If a bowler advances out of league level in more than one state, the bowler must declare one state to continue competing before the next competition level. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state will result in automatic disqualification.

5. Competition will take place at:

Eastway Bowl
3201 E. 10th St.
Sioux Falls, SD 57103
605-336-0468
March 2nd, 2024
(4:00pm CST)

6. **Entry Closing date is February 19, 2024 or when last shift is full.** Entry forms must include qualifier's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, graduation year and national bowler ID number. Entries sent to the State Tournament Manager via the U.S. Postal Service must bear a postmark no later than one (1) business day after the tournament entry closing date. **Entries received after this date will be accepted based on lane availability and Tournament Manager's discretion.**

7. Competition shall be conducted in the following divisions:

*U8 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2015 or later	*U8 Girls
*U10 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/2015	*U10 Girls

8. The tournament format shall be as follows:

Each participant will bowl a 3-game series on one (1) pair of lanes. Each bowler's **SCRATCH SERIES** will determine their final standing/position in the tournament.

9. ENTRY FEE: Lineage: \$11.55
 Expenses: _____ \$ 5.75

Scholarship: \$ 6.00

Awards: \$ 1.70

Total Entry Fee: \$25.00 ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SHALL BE ADDED

**COURTESY OF SD SMART UAF FUNDS AND RETURNED 100% TO THE BOWLERS
SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE HELD:**

USBC SMART FUND (Account #8546)

(*USBC Rules 301d and 309 states that all scholarships awarded during a USBC certified event must be deposited in the SMART Program.)

10. All bowlers must wear suitable attire. Use good judgment when selecting the appropriate attire. Prohibited attire may include but are not limited to: Hats, tank tops, halter tops, bare midriffs, spaghetti strap tops, workout attire (sweat or spandex pants/shorts), bib overalls, jeans that are not neat, clean or in good condition (no torn jeans). Short shorts, skirts and skorts are considered too short and not suitable if a bowler's fingers are below the hemline. **Shirts with offensive language/artwork and caps will not be allowed. Tournament Manager has final discretion as to appropriate attire.**
11. Guests may smoke **ONLY** in designated areas. Use of cell phones or ANY other electronic device by bowlers is not permitted during scheduled shift time.
12. Competitors shall be allowed 10 minutes of practice time.
13. 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 may NOT be made-up.** A bowler not present to bowl when it is their turn will be credited with a zero for that frame.
14. Only bowlers and tournament officials shall be permitted in the settee area.
15. No provision is made for the roll-off of tie games. If there is a tie, any scholarship monies will be added together and then split evenly between the two places. For example: If there is a tie between 1st & 2nd place, and 1st place is due \$100.00 and 2nd place is due \$50.00 these two amounts will be added together and divided in half, so 1st & 2nd place would receive \$75.00 each.
16. Claims for errors in scoring or general playing rules must be made to the State Pepsi Tournament Manager no later than the start of the next block/shift or 30 minutes after the completion of competition. The tournament manager shall decide questionable errors. All other protests must be confirmed in writing to the South Dakota State USBC Pepsi Tournament Manager within 72 hours from the time of the infraction. Under this rule, each protest must be specific in itself.
17. Symbolic awards will be given out to first place winners in each division.
18. Scholarships will be awarded on a one for every **five** entries basis (1 for 5) in each division (girls and boys). **The distribution of these funds will be equally divided for each division (boys and girls).**
19. The Board of Directors of the South Dakota State USBC shall decide all matters not covered by these tournament rules and the USBC Rule book.

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USBC CERTIFIED #04885



2024 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE USBC PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP U12, U15, & U18 DIVISIONS

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2. League level qualifying dates are: **October 23– November 5, 2023 and January 8–21, 2024.** Advancement from league is a one-time entry. Competition is open to all 2023-24 SDSUSBC Youth members. To compete, a bowler must be a regular member of a certified SDSUSBC league and not be under suspension at the time of qualifying. USBC Collegiate members are eligible if they are 2023-24 SDSUSBC Youth members, bowl in a SDSUSBC Youth league and have not violated USBC Rule 400. You must have been present at least one week during the qualifying dates listed above to participate.

The following guidelines will be used to determine replacement of bowlers at the State level of competition:

SEMI-FINALS & FINAL ROUND: In the event a bowler fails to report to the tournament site to compete in the semi-final or final round, this bowler will be considered a “no-show” and a replacement will be selected. Also, if a bowler is unavailable, unable or unwilling to bowl in the semi-final or final round, replacement bowlers will be selected from the non-qualifiers in the prior round (first round of qualifying - Saturday) of the tournament to fill the vacant/no-show bowlers’ position (no-show bowlers in the semi-final round will be chosen from the first round and no-show bowlers in the final round will be chosen from the semi-final round). These replacement bowlers (semi-final & final round ONLY) will be selected from the bowlers in the bowling center at the time a decision has been made a replacement will be necessary. From the bowlers that are in the center, the replacement bowler(s) will be selected based on order of where they finished in the prior round of qualifying.

The tournament director will make the final decision on all replacement bowlers.

3. Advancement ratio from league competition to the State competition **is at least one for one (1 for 1) entries per division.** To be eligible to advance, you must have been present at least one week during the qualifying dates listed in Rule 2 to participate.
4. Advancers out of the level must remain in the division they qualified in during all subsequent levels. If a bowler advances out of league level in more than one state, the bowler must declare one state to continue competing before the next competition level. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state will result in automatic disqualification. Bowlers must declare at the time of their first qualifying window within EACH league if they choose to “opt up” to a higher age division. All bowlers that choose to “opt up” **MUST COMPLETE** an “OPT UP” Form **PRIOR** to competition.
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March 2-3, 2024

6. **Entry Closing date is February 19, 2024 or when last shift is full.** Tournament entry forms must include qualifier’s name, address, telephone number, date of birth, graduation year and national bowler ID number. All entrants’ tournament entry forms with appropriate entry fee must be submitted to the STATE tournament director by this date. Entries sent to the State tournament director via the U.S. Postal Service must bear a postmark no later than one (1) business day after the tournament entry closing date. **Entries received after this date will be accepted based on lane availability and Tournament Directors discretion.**

7. Divisions are based on the participant’s date of birth. **Athletes must choose the division in which they will compete.**

***Competition shall be conducted in the following divisions:

*U12 Boys Bowlers	whose birthdate is 8/1/2011 thru 7/31/2013	*U12 Girls
*U15 Boys Bowlers	whose birthdate is 8/1/2008 thru 7/31/2011	*U15 Girls
*U18 Boys Bowlers	whose birthdate is 8/1/2005 thru 7/31/2008	*U18 Girls

8. The tournament format shall be as follows:

A. First round of qualifying will begin on Friday, if needed and Saturday. Each entrant will bowl four (4) games across two (2) pair of lanes. Entrants will bowl two (2) games on a pair of lanes and then move to another pair as instructed by the Tournament Director.

B. The top 25% (**including any fractions**) of the entrants in each of the eight (8) divisions, with a minimum of seven (7) bowlers, will advance to the second round of qualifying to be held on Sunday. In the event of a tie for the last place to advance to the semi-finals (first round of qualifying only), all bowlers in the tie position will advance to the semi-finals. The semi-finals will consist of the advancers bowling four (4) additional games across two (2) pair of lanes. Two (2) games will be bowled on each pair of lanes. **BOWLERS SCORES DO NOT CARRY OVER FROM ONE QUALIFYING ROUND TO THE NEXT QUALIFYING ROUND.**

C. The top five (5) bowlers in each of the eight (8) divisions will advance to a stepladder final round to determine the tournament champions.

9. ENTRY FEE:	Lineage:	\$24.00
	Expenses:	\$ 8.50
	Scholarship:	\$ 11.00
	Awards:	<u>\$ 1.50</u>
	Total Entry Fee:	\$45.00 <u>ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE</u>

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11. Guests may smoke **ONLY** in designated areas. Use of cell phones or ANY other electronic device by bowlers is not permitted during scheduled shift time.
12. Competitors shall be allowed 10 minutes of practice time on their starting pair. No practice will be allowed on subsequent pairs.
13. 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 MAY NOT BE MADE UP.** A bowler not present to bowl when it is their turn will be given a zero for that frame. Please advise a lane monitor if you need to leave the bowlers' area for any reason.
14. Only bowlers and tournament officials shall be permitted in the settee area.
15. Ties (where applicable as determined by the tournament director – (semi-final & final round ONLY) will be broken by a one game roll-off. Should a tie still exist, it will be broken by an additional ninth (9th) and tenth (10th) frame roll-off. (Refer to rule 326a). **The Tournament Director will determine when a roll-off is necessary.**
16. Claims for errors in scoring or general playing rules must be made to the **State Pepsi Tournament Director** no later than the start of the next block/shift 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 South Dakota State Tournament Director within 72 hours from the time of the infraction. Under this rule, each protest must be specific.
17. Symbolic awards will be given out to first place winners in each division.
18. Scholarships will be awarded in each of the six (6) divisions. Scholarships will be awarded based on number of entries in each division. Scholarships will be awarded based on 1 scholarship paid for every 5 entries in the division (including any fractions). The distribution of these funds will be prorated for each division. Each division will have a different amount to distribute as well as a different number of scholarship places to pay as the number of places paid will be based on number of entries in each division.
19. 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 12-20, 2024 in Detroit, MI. 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 April 30, 2024. **If the winner is not eligible for the Junior Gold Championships, he/she will still retain all awards from the state/zone, but the next eligible bowler will receive the berth to the championships event.**
20. Eligible advancers 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. Replacements will incur all costs associated with changing the airline ticket, if applicable.
21. **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 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.**
22. The Board of Directors of the South Dakota State USBC shall decide all matters not covered by these tournament rules and the USBC Rule book. The National Pepsi USBC Youth Championship Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.

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