

## JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016-2017 TOURNAMENT GUIDE

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## PROGRAM MEMBERSHIP AND CHAMPIONSHIPS OVERVIEW

Junior Gold Championships now offers six divisions:

- U12 Boys, U12 Girls
- U15 Boys, U15 Girls
- U20 Boys, U20 Girls

| Date of Birth | Division |
| :--- | ---: |
| $8 / 1 / 04$ or later | U12 |
| $8 / 1 / 01-7 / 31 / 04$ | U15 |
| $8 / 1 / 96-7 / 31 / 01$ | U20 |

NOTE: Bowlers in the U12 or U15 division may exercise the option to participate in the U15 or U20 division by completing the Championships Opt Out form unless bowler competed in the U12 only or U15 only qualifiers.

Individuals who qualify in a U12 only or U15 only division qualifier must compete in the U12 only or U15 only division at the Junior Gold Championships.

Junior Gold Championships serves USBC Youth Standard members who have a Junior Gold membership.

Helping youth bowlers progress and succeed in the sport through challenging competition, advanced training, skill development and coaching is the heart of the Junior Gold program.

Junior Gold membership and experiencing the challenges of Junior Gold competition help youth bowlers learn all aspects of the sport and prepare them to continue to bowl competitively as they grow older. Junior Gold members regularly compete at the high school and collegiate level. Dedicated youth bowlers may participate in Junior Gold for several reasons:

- Learn the nuances of the more competitive game
- Earn college scholarships
- Prepare for bowling at the collegiate level
- Prepare for the ultimate goals of international or professional bowling
- Earn a spot on JUNIOR TEAM USA!

Events can be conducted any time from May 1, 2016 - May 31, 2017

## JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The pinnacle for Junior Gold members is competing at the annual Junior Gold Championships.

The Junior Gold Championships is open to Junior Gold members who have qualified throughout the season in Junior Gold events. At the national championships, male and female Junior Gold athletes compete for berths on USBC Junior Team USA, individual national titles and scholarships in their respective divisions.


## USBC JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

## Junior Gold Approach

- Junior Gold Approach is the official monthly newsletter of Junior Gold, delivered directly to members via email. It features tips from some of the top coaches and provides news about upcoming qualifying tournaments, leagues and scholarship opportunities.

Junior Gold membership card/gift

- Junior Gold members receive a membership card and a special gift.


## Increased Scholarship Opportunities

- Junior Gold members can compete in exclusive Junior Gold Championships events with the opportunity to win scholarships throughout the season, plus additional scholarships at the Junior Gold Championships.


## Opportunity to become a member of Junior Team USA

- Members of Junior Team USA are chosen annually at the Junior Gold Championships. Team duties and activities begin Jan. 1 of the following year.


## MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- USBC Youth Standard member, in good standing, can apply for Junior Gold membership at any time.
- Athlete must purchase a Junior Gold membership for \$30 (U.S.) or $\$ 10$ (U.S.) for U12 bowlers prior to participating in Junior Gold Championships qualifying tournaments. The USBC Junior Gold membership fee is separate
from the regular USBC Youth membership fee. Each membership is valid for the current bowling season only, regardless of date of purchase.
- Once the Junior Gold membership is obtained, it remains valid for the current bowling season, Aug. 1 July 31.


JUNIOR TEAM USA MEMBERS HAVE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES TO:

- Represent the United States in international competition
- Earn scholarship awards
- Train at the International Training and Research Center in Arlington, Texas
- Enjoy expense-paid national and international travel and competition
- Make appearances in Junior Team USA uniforms
- Access world-class coaching
- Be seeded into next year's Junior Gold Championships


## JOIN THE JUNIOR GOLD PROGRAM

- Fill out the membership application completely to ensure prompt processing
- Obtain a USBC Youth Standard Membership
- Submit the membership application and appropriate fee to:

Junior Gold Program
621 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011
Fax: (817) 385-8262

## JUNIOR GOLD CONTACT INFORMATION:

Junior Gold Program<br>621 Six Flags Drive<br>Arlington, TX 76011<br>(800) 514-BOWL (2695) ext. 8426<br>Fax: (817) 385-8262<br>Email: Tournaments@ibcyouth.com



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## JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING EVENT DETAILS: OVERVIEW

Junior Gold members who have already earned an entry in this season's Junior Gold Championships can still enter and participate in additional Junior Gold qualifying events.
However, because an athlete can only earn one entry into the Junior Gold Championships he/she must accept his/ her first berth.

If a Junior Gold member wins an entry but cannot attend the Junior Gold Championships, he or she is responsible for alerting the Junior Gold Championships qualifying event director so the entry may be passed to the next qualified participant in that event. An athlete who gives up his/her spot or is unable to attend must re-qualify for the following year; individual berths are not carried over to the next year. If the Junior Gold member fails to alert the Junior Gold event director, he or she risks disqualification from that Junior Gold qualifier for the following year.

Tournaments may run U12 or U15 only qualifiers. In events that conduct a U12 or U15 qualifier the advancer(s) from that division must bowl in the U12 or U15 division at the Junior Gold Tournament.

Check on the status of available Junior Gold Championships spots on BOWL.com's Junior Gold page. No spot is reserved until full payment for the entry has been received at USBC from the qualifying event director.

> DON'T BE LOCKED OUT RESERVE YOUR SPOTS EARLY! EVENTS CAN BE CONDUCTED FROM MAY 1, 2016 - MAY 31, 2017

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A REGULAR AND A "PREMIER" EVENT?

- A regular event pays only the advancer's entry fee into the Junior Gold Championships.
- A "premier" event is an enhanced event that pays the winner's advancer entry fee, plus any or all expenses at the Junior Gold Championships. There is no minimum amount of a stipend for the spot to qualify as a "premier" spot.
- If an athlete already has won an entry to the Junior Gold Championships and then wins another, he/she cannot take the second as a scholarship. The spot must go to the next highest qualified Junior Gold member.
- Junior Gold Championships berths and scholarship money are considered separate awards. If the athlete already has won an entry and wins a second event, the athlete would be awarded the first-place scholarship money, but the entry would be given to the next eligible Junior Gold athlete.




## JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING EVENT DETAILS: TOURNAMENTS

Qualifying can be conducted as part of any USBC certified events

- Association championships
- State championships
- Local tournaments

Qualifiers must consist of

- At least four (4) male Junior Gold members
- Or, at least four (4) female Junior Gold members
- Or, any combination of four (4) Junior Gold members regardless of gender

Format must consist of at least three (3) games of scratch competition

## Basic Rules

- Bowlers are permitted to enter once per qualifying event.
- Re-entries are not permitted.
- Bowlers must be Junior Gold members PRIOR to the start of qualifying.
- Bowlers may sign up for membership on site before qualifying starts.
- Pepsi Championship qualifiers must purchase a Junior Gold membership prior to competing in the Junior Gold Championships tournament.


## Event Organizers are required to check

 ALL Junior Gold memberships prior to start. A current list of members can be found at BOWL.com/juniorgold.*Tournament information must be sent to USBC BEFORE your event takes place. Failure to submit the Tournament application prior to the start of the event may result in refusal to accept those may result

## CHECKLIST FOR HOLDING A TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING EVENT

1. Download Junior Gold Championships qualifying materials, applications and report forms from BOWL.com on the Youth/Junior Gold pages.
2. Complete an application for USBC certification of your event through the USBC Online Tournament Certification Program which can be found on BOWL.com. After you have certified your event(s) and have the USBC Certification number, you must still submit a Qualifying Event Application to Junior Gold PRIOR to the start of your competition.
3. Determine where and when the event(s) will be held.
4. Will the event be conducted on a sport/challenge lane condition? If so, please visit BOWL.com/sportbowling for more details.
5. Determine the format your event(s) will use.

Tournament competition must be scratch and consist of a minimum of three (3) games.
6. Determine the rules for the event(s).

## The rules for your event MUST include the following:

- Event date, time and place
- Cost of entry
- Clear explanation of how advancers will be determined
- Advancement ratio being used
- A tie-breaking system must be determined based on the format of the qualifier.
- Statement requiring JG membership to participate

8. Determine whether you want your Junior Gold Championships qualifier to be a "premier" event.
9. In Junior Gold Championships qualifying TOURNAMENT events, you can either advance the champion of your tournament or a ratio of the

Checklist continued on p. 7

If you plan to hold multiple Junior Gold Championships qualifying tournaments,
please fill out one tournament application and attach a list of dates for your events.


# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING EVENT DETAILS: TOURNAMENTS 

## CHECKLIST FOR HOLDING A TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING EVENT

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Junior Gold athletes between 1:4 and 1:10.
10. Inform all participants that if they already have accepted a berth that they would still be eligible to receive any stipend monies if applicable.
11. One MONTH prior to your event, complete a Junior Gold Championships Qualifying Event Application and send it along with a payment for a minimum of one reserved spot and a copy of your rules to:

## Junior Gold Championships <br> 621 Six Flags Drive <br> Arlington, TX 76011

The cost for a reserved spot from a U12 only qualifier will be $\$ 100$, a U15 only qualifier will be $\$ 150$, and all other types of qualifiers will be $\$ 200$.
12. Within $\mathbf{1 5}$ days of completion of your Junior Gold Championships tournament, you must provide the completed Post-Event Form and a completed Finalist Report Form.

Junior Gold Championships finalist packets will be e-mailed to the advancers once your post-event paperwork has been received and processed.
13. All scholarship prize awards must be forwarded to USBC Headquarters for deposit with the SMART program (Scholarship Management and Accounting Reports for Tenpins) within 30 days after the end of the competition.
(USBC Rules 301d and 309)


Junior Gold reserves the right to institute additional methods of entry into the Junior Gold Championships for those athletes who live in areas determined to be under-served by the current Junior Gold qualification process.

Additional spots may be purchased after completion of the qualifier, pending availability. An entry is not reserved until full payment of that entry fee is received. Please refer to the Junior Gold Championships main page on BOWL.com for a current count of spots available. Unused spots will not be refunded and may not be carried over to the next season.
*Tournament information must be sent to USBC BEFORE your event takes place. Failure to submit the Tournament application prior to the start of the event may result in refusal to accept those qualifiers.


# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ENHANCED ADVANCER RATIO POLICIES 

The minimum ratio to advance players to the Junior Gold Championships is 1:4. What follows is an explanation of how this standard applies to various situations.

When stating an advancement ratio, event management will state that the ratio is either a "hard" number (1:4) which means they will only advance one player for every 4 entrants, or they will add the caveat in their rules stating "or a major fraction thereof" which would allow them to advance an additional player should they have additional entries in excess of $51 \%$ of their ratio number. When an event reaches this standard an additional player is allowed to advance and the event is required to subsidize any shortfall in the entry fee to the Junior Gold Championships.

As an example, in an event having a 1:4 or major fraction thereof ratio, the event would need to have 7 entrants to advance a second player. The event would bear the financial responsibility to fund any shortfall of the entry fee to the Junior Gold Championships. Six (6) entrants does not meet the threshold of $51 \%$, so a second player could not advance under that rule.

If the event has additional entries in excess of their ratio, but does not meet the $51 \%$ threshold to advance an additional player, we have historically asked that the additional monies be returned to the event as additional prize monies. To address this issue and provide more players the opportunity to advance, a new policy has been adopted that could allow the next player in line to advance to the Junior Gold Championships.
This policy is:
Once an event has met their initial ratio
and has additional entries in excess of that ratio, the next player in line will have the option to claim that spot by paying any remaining shortfall between the monies collected and the entry fee for the Junior Gold Championships. This option is available only to the next player in line. If that player declines to exercise this option, it ceases at that point and the option is not available to other finishers down the line in the standings.

## IF YOU DO NOT USE A MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF

Here is an example of how the new ratio policies will be applied to qualifying events for the Junior Gold Championships given a 1:4 advancement ratio without the "or a major fraction thereof" stipulation.

If the event has 5,6 or 7 entrants, the tournament will advance the winner under their 1:4 ratio. The 2nd place finisher would now be given the opportunity to fund any remaining shortfall between the entry monies collected and the appropriate division entry fee and claim a spot in the Junior Gold Championships. This option is available only to the next player in line. If that player declines to exercise this option, it ceases at that point and the option is not available to other finishers down the line in the standings.

## IF YOU USE A MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF

Here is an example of how the new ratio policies will be applied to qualifying events for the Junior Gold Championships given a 1:4 advancement ratio with the "or a major fraction thereof" stipulation.

If the event has 5 or 6 entrants, the tournament will advance the winner under their 1:4 ratio. The 2nd place finisher would be given the opportunity to pay any remaining shortfall between the entry monies collected and the entry fee and claim a spot in the Junior Gold Championships. This option is available only to the next player in line. If that player declines to exercise this option, it ceases at that point and the option is not available to other finishers down the line in the standings.

If the event has 7 entrants, the tournament will advance the winner under their 1:4 ratio and an additional advancer under the "or a major fraction thereof" stipulation and the event is required to subsidize any shortfall in the entry fee to the Junior Gold Championships.

## MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF CHART

| RAT10 | ENTRIES NEEDED <br> TO ADVANCE <br> AN ADDITIONAL <br> PLAYER |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1: 4$ | 7 |
| $1: 5$ | 8 |
| $1: 6$ | 10 |
| $1: 7$ | 11 |
| $1: 8$ | 13 |
| $1: 9$ | 14 |
| $1: 10$ | 16 |

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## JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNIOR TEAM USA FORMAT SELECTION CRITERIA

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT - U12 DIVISION

- Junior Gold members who qualify from a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event receive a paid entry for the Junior Gold Championships. (Premier event winners receive a paid entry plus travel and/or lodging costs from their tournament series).
- Qualifying for the U12 division at the national championships consists of four 4-game blocks.
- Total pinfall for the 16 qualifying games will determine who advances to the four-game Advancers Round. Bowlers will advance at a minimum

1:7 ratio for each division; bowlers making the Advancers Round will earn a scholarship.

- Total pinfall after 20 games (total pinfall after all qualifying games) will determine those that will advance to the match play round.
- The bowlers in this division will be seeded into an eight person doubleelimination match-play bracket until the TV finals.
- Each match will consist of 2 games with total pinfall determining the winner.
- This is a non-chaperoned event. Entrants are responsible for all arrangements.
- The winners of the U12 divisions DO NOT have an automatic berth on Junior Team USA.



# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNIOR TEAM USA FORMAT AND SELECTION CRITERIA 

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT - U15 DIVISION

- Junior Gold members who qualify from a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event receive a paid entry for the Junior Gold Championships. (Premier event winners receive a paid entry plus travel and/or lodging costs from their tournament series).
- Qualifying for the U15 division at the national championships consists of four 4-game blocks.
- Total pinfall for the 16 qualifying games will determine who advances to the five-game Advancers Round. Bowlers will advance at a $1: 7$ ratio for each division; bowlers making the Advancers Round will earn a scholarship.
- Total pinfall after 21 games (16 qualifying games and five Advancers Round games) will determine a maximum of 64 bowlers in each division who advance to the final Advancers Round. The actual cut number will be determined by division entries.
- The final Advancers Round will bowl an additional five games to determine who will advance to the doubleelimination match-play bracket in each division.
- The bowlers in this division will be seeded into a 16 person doubleelimination match-play bracket until the TV finals.
- Each match will consist of 2 games with total pinfall determining the winner.
- This is a non-chaperoned event. Entrants are responsible for all arrangements.



## Qualification and selection

- The top age-eligible male and female bowler in the U15 divisions at the conclusion of 26 qualifying games and the U15 bracket champions at the Junior Gold Championships to be held July 17-22, 2017 in Indianapolis, Indiana, automatically qualify for the U15 Developmental team. These individuals must be age 15 or younger as of January 1, 2018, to be eligible members of the team. The date and age is established by the World Bowling Association. If the top qualifier in the division does not meet the age requirement, the spot goes to the next age-eligible athlete. If the winner of bracket is not age-eligible then the second member of the U15 team will be the next highest ageeligible qualifier after 26 games.
- If the champion from the doubleelimination match-play bracket has already qualified, that spot(s) will be awarded to the next age-eligible athlete based on the qualifying standings after 26 games.


## 2018 USBC Team USA Trials/

 US Amateur Championship- At the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials, the top four males and top four females age 20 or younger as of January 1 , 2018, automatically qualify for Junior Team USA 2018 provided they are not already on Junior Team USA 2018 These four athletes can be USBC Youth or Adult members as long as they meet the age requirements. If any of the above are not age-eligible, the automatic spot goes to the next ageeligible qualifier in order.
- Two males and two females will be chosen by the National Selection Committee from a pool of athletes who competed at the 2017 Junior Gold Championships and/or the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials and are age 20 or younger as of January 1, 2018. (Note: Six boys and six girls will earn spots on 2018 Junior Team USA at the 2017 Junior Gold Championships.)


# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNIOR TEAM USA FORMAT AND SELECTION CRITERIA 

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT - U20 DIVISION

- Junior Gold members who qualify from a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event receive a paid entry for the Junior Gold Championships. (Premier event winners receive a paid entry plus travel and/or lodging costs from their tournament series).
- Qualifying for the U20 division at the national championships consists of four 4-game blocks.
- Total pinfall for the 16 qualifying games will determine who advances to the five-game Advancers Round. Bowlers will advance at a $1: 7$ ratio for each division; bowlers making the Advancers Round will earn a scholarship.
- Total pinfall after 21 games (16 qualifying games and five Advancers Round games) will determine a maximum of 64 bowlers in each division who advance to the final Advancers Round. The actual cut number will be determined by division entries.
- The final Advancers Round will bowl an additional five games to determine who will advance to the doubleelimination match-play bracket in each division.
- The bowlers in this division will be seeded into a 16 person doubleelimination match-play bracket until the TV finals.
- Each match will consist of 2 games with total pinfall determining the winner.
- This is a non-chaperoned event. Entrants are responsible for all arrangements.



## Qualification and selection

Junior Team USA 2018 will be comprised of 12 male and 12 female members. Individuals must be eligible United States citizens, and must be age 20 or younger as of January 1, 2018, to be eligible for Junior Team USA. The date and age is established by the World Bowling Association.

- The top four male and top four female age-eligible bowlers in the U20 divisions at the conclusion of 26 qualifying games at the Junior Gold Championship automatically qualify for Junior Team USA 2018. If the top qualifiers in the division do not meet the age requirement, the selection goes to the next age-eligible athlete based on the qualifying standings after 26 games.
- In addition, the top two male and top two female age-eligible finalists in the double-elimination match-play bracket of the U20 divisions automatically qualify for Junior Team USA 2018. If the top two finishers in the bracket do not meet the age requirement or have already qualified for Junior Team USA 2018, the selection goes to the next age-eligible athlete based on the qualifying standings after 26 games.
- If one or both of the two finalists from the double-elimination match-play bracket already were one of the top four in qualifying, that spot(s) will be awarded to the next age-eligible athlete based on the qualifying standings after 26 games.
- In the event there are not enough age-eligible finalists from the doubleelimination match-play brackets, the spots shall revert to the next age-
eligible athlete based on the qualifying standings after 26 games.


## 2018 USBC Team USA Trials/ US Amateur Championship

- The top four males and four females age 20 or younger as of January 1 , 2018, at the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials automatically qualify for Junior Team USA 2018 provided they are not already on Junior Team USA 2018. The four individuals earning the spots are determined by the final standings from the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials. These four athletes can be USBC Youth or Adult members as long as they meet the age requirements. If any of the above are not age-eligible, the automatic spot goes to the next ageeligible qualifier in order.
- Two males and two females will be chosen by the National Selection Committee from a pool of athletes who competed at the 2017 Junior Gold Championships or who competed at the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials and are age 20 or younger as of January 1 , 2018. Athletes selected from the USBC Team Trials can be USBC Youth or Adult members as long as they meet the age requirements. (Note: Six boys and six girls will earn spots on 2018 Junior Team USA at the 2017 Junior Gold Championships.)


# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNIOR TEAM USA FORMAT AND SELECTION CRITERIA 

USBC JUNIOR TEAM USA SELECTION

## Injury exemptions

To be considered for an injury exemption from the 2016 Junior Gold Championships, an athlete must submit a written request for exemption to the USBC national office prior to July 1,2016, or via fax to the tournament office of the 2016 Junior Gold Championships prior to the end of the competition. An injury exemption from the 2017 USBC Team USA Trials must be submitted in writing to the USBC office one month prior to the start of the 2017 Team Trials. Any request for exemption must include performance history and any other relevant information from at least the past three years that would be helpful to the NSC in evaluating the member in accordance with the selection standards listed below. The NSC and USBC reserve the right to verify that a member was in fact injured at the time of the national championships, including but not limited to requiring a doctor's release. Canadian Tenpin Federation members are encouraged to participate and are eligible to be Junior Gold Members; they can compete in the National Championships and earn scholarships. However, they are unable to be Junior Team USA members. Only U.S. Citizens are eligible to be on Junior Team USA.

## National Selection Committee

There will be one National Selection Committee, which will be responsible for selecting the two at-large male and two at-large female members of Junior Team USA 2017. The NSC is comprised of no more than five individuals, one of whom will be an athlete representative as defined by USOC bylaws. The president of USBC (bowling's national governing body) will oversee the appointment of these individuals.


## Standards for Selection of At-Large Team Members

 The National Selection Committee is charged with selecting those athletes who are most likely to create the strongest Junior Team USA. The NSC shall have the latitude to consider any qualifications which would be helpful in creating the strongest team.In evaluating athletes for possible selection as at-large members of Junior Team USA, it is anticipated the NSC will consider at least the following criteria:

AGE: Selections will be made with the understanding that the team will need to be comprised of an appropriate number of athletes who meet the age requirements for any International Youth competition.

PERFORMANCE: This includes all international competition, as well as any USBC, collegiate or USBC Team USA bowling tournament within the previous two years.

PHYSICAL GAME: This includes, but is not limited to, the many physical elements which comprise an athlete's game, such as approach, arm swing, timing, release versatility (changing rotation and lay-down point) and speed control. It also includes, but is not limited to, the ability to play different angles, convert spares, change equipment and adjust to varying lane conditions.

MENTAL GAME: This includes a variety of subjective factors including ability to be coached, adaptability, practice regimen, ability to stay focused, attitude, commitment, ability to perform under pressure and sportsmanship.


# JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNIOR TEAM USA FORMAT AND SELECTION CRITERIA 

## USBC JUNIOR TEAM USA SELECTION (CONTINUED)

Team Play: This includes, but is not limited to, the intangible but crucial ability to be a positive factor in building rapport, confidence and a winning attitude among team members and coaches.

Future: The National Selection Committee takes into consideration that the individuals on the Junior Team are also the developmental team for Team USA.

## Replacement of Junior Team USA Members

If, during the following calendar year, a bowler either resigns or is removed from Junior Team USA for any reason, the coach of Junior Team USA will determine if a replacement is needed. If a replacement is needed, the coach shall confer with the National Selection Committee to determine the replacement. The replacement shall be from a pool of athletes who competed at the 2017 Junior Gold Championships and/or the 2018 USBC Team USA Trials and are age 20 or younger as of January 1, 2018.

Junior Team USA members may obtain/ move up to USBC Adult membership during their term on Junior Team USA and still maintain their spot on Junior Team USA. However, they would be ineligible to bowl in the Junior Gold Championships.

## Note:

Junior Team USA coaches will select the Junior Team USA members who will participate in each event in which Junior Team USA will compete. The final standings at the Junior Gold

Championships, or how an athlete became a Junior Team USA member, will have no bearing on the makeup of the team at each competition. All Junior Team USA members will be placed into a pool and coaches will select the athletes who most likely will create the strongest age eligible team to represent the United States for that event.
If any changes to these rules are made, all national finalists will be notified prior to competition at the Junior Gold Championships. In addition, the changes will be posted on the Junior Gold website, BOWL.com


## FAQs

## GENERAL QUESTIONS

## Where can I obtain Junior Gold Championships information?

 All forms and this handbook are available on BOWL.com. Simply click on the Tournaments tab and then on the Junior Gold link and proceed to the Qualifier section where you will see the Junior Gold Tournament Handbook tab. Here you will find the necessary forms to run your event. As always, the Junior Gold staff is available to assist and answer any questions. We can be reached at Tournaments@ibcyouth.com or by calling (800) 514-BOWL, ext. 8426.What are the age divisions for the Junior Gold Championships?

| Date of Birth | Division |
| :--- | ---: |
| $8 / 1 / 04$ or later | U12 |
| $8 / 1 / 01-7 / 31 / 04$ | U15 |
| $8 / 1 / 96-7 / 31 / 01$ | U20 |

NOTE: Bowlers in the U15 division may exercise the option to participate in the U20 division by completing the Junior Gold Championships "play up" form. Individuals who qualify in a U15 only division qualifier must compete in the U15 division at the Junior Gold Championships.

How much do spots cost for the Junior Gold Championships?
Spots are $\$ 200$. If an event is going to offer a U15 ONLY division, those spots are $\$ 150$. If the event is going to offer a U12
ONLY division, those spots are $\$ 100$.
What are the minimum average requirements for the divisions? There are no minimum average requirements for participation. Any
and all current USBC Youth Standard members are eligible to become a Junior Gold Member and bowl in a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event.

## How is it determined what division the

 advancer competes in?Any eligible bowler who qualifies for the Junior Gold Championships will be placed in the appropriate division based on their date of birth. Bowlers that competed in a combined qualifier (not a U12 only or U15 only) will have the ability to "play up" to a higher division, once they fill out the proper forms.

## Can a U12 qualifier "play up" and

 participate in the U20 division instead of the U12 division at the Junior Gold Championships?Yes, they can if they qualified in a U15 or U20 division event and fill out the proper forms.

If I don't have enough entrants to have a separate U15 or U12 division, but my advancers are under the age of 15 , how much will my advancer spots cost? The price of the Junior Gold Championships spot in a combined event is not affected by the age of the winner. If there are not enough entrants for a separate event, all spots will cost $\$ 200$ and the player will compete in the appropriate age division at the Junior Gold Championships unless the player submits an opt-up form.

## How does the enhanced advancer policy

 work?Once an event has met their minimum ratio and has entries in excess of that ratio, they have the opportunity to advance one additional entrant to the Junior Gold Championships. The next advancer only, will be allowed to claim a
spot by funding the balance of the monies needed to pay for that spot. A detailed explanation of the policy can be found on the Junior Gold page of bowl.com or page 8 of this handbook.

## I have excess funds from the Junior Gold

 qualifier. What should I do with those excess funds?All excess funds must go back to the athletes who entered the Junior Gold qualifying event. However, if you hold a series of Junior Gold Championships events through the season you can keep those funds in a "Junior Gold" account to be used if there are any shortages in future events. If the event was not part of a series, you must return those funds through expenses for the advancer(s) (from receipts the advancer(s) provides) or it can be returned to the Junior Gold bowlers as a scholarship.

## How can I award Junior Gold Championships spots? What are my options?

Tournament directors have many options when awarding spots. They can award based on a ratio (1:4, 1:5, 1:6, 1:7, 1:8, $1: 9$, or $1: 10$ ) or they can advance their tournament champion provided they have a sufficient number of entries. You can award your spots after the bowler's three (3) games of qualifying or you can advance bowlers at the end of your tournament.

Please be very specific in the event rules on how the advancers to the Junior Gold Championships will be awarded. Include the words "with major fraction thereof" after the ratio if you intend on awarding two Junior Gold spots with a 1:4 ratio and seven bowlers.

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## FAQs

## GENERAL QUESTIONS (Continued)

## When can I hold Junior Gold Championships qualifying events?

Events can be held any time from May 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017 (during a regular season). In the case of a sold-out national event, Junior Gold will consider permitting qualifying events earlier. This is on a per-year basis. All qualifying will end on May 31 of the tournament year regardless.

How long do I have to submit my postevent reports?
Junior Gold Finalist and Post-Event Tournament/League Reports are to be submitted to Junior Gold within fifteen (15) days after the end of the event. Holding onto this information longer than this affects the accuracy of our records and can cause eligibility issues for players who may have paid their Junior Gold membership dues at your event.
What benefits are included with the USBC Junior Gold membership?

- Junior Gold membership card
- Member Gift
- Junior Gold Approach E-blasts
- Reduced prices for coaching at ITRC

In the Junior Gold Championships, can an individual opt to cross over to the other gender division?
No. Girls may only compete in the girls divisions and boys may only compete in the boys divisions.

## Can we hold a Junior Gold

 Championships qualifying event during our association championship event? You can easily incorporate a Junior Gold qualifying event into your local or state association championship events. Since you only need three (3) games for aqualifying event, you can use the scores from any designated event or events from your championship tournament as a Junior Gold qualifier.

## TOURNAMENT QUESTIONS

What is the minimum number of games that must be bowled in a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event? All Junior Gold qualifying done during tournaments must have a minimum of three games in the tournament.

I want to run a Junior Gold qualifying event. What are the steps I must take? Certify your tournament online at BOWL.com.

Submit a copy of your proposed rules and the completed JUNIOR GOLD TOURNAMENT APPLICATION to Junior Gold at least ONE MONTH prior to the event for review. Junior Gold reserves the right to reject any event that does not submit this information for review PRIOR to the event.

Submit the entry fee for all spots reserved within fifteen (15) days following the end of the event, the POST EVENT REPORT and the FINALIST REPORT both must be submitted to Junior Gold. Compliance with this requirement is key to Junior Gold maintaining an accurate database of advancers, alternates and Junior Gold memberships.

I run multiple Junior Gold Championships events throughout the year, is there a streamlined procedure I can follow to get them all covered at once?
When you go to certify your tournament, you will choose the option for "Comprehensive Tournament". This will allow you to enter all your events under one certification number. When you submit your paperwork to Junior Gold, your QUALIFYING EVENT APPLICATION will have the dates of your first and last events and you can submit a listing of the date, city and center of your additional events. If you add events during the season, simply
provide us with this same information so we keep our databases up-to-date.

## I have a tournament that has multiple squads. How can I run Junior Gold Championships qualifying in this type of event?

There are two ways of running qualifying for "squad" events. The first is to make each squad a separate qualifying event. Bowlers would pay to enter a squad and each squad must meet the minimum of four Junior Gold boys or four Junior Gold girls or four Junior Gold athletes of either gender. You can then award your ratio based on the number of entries per squad. Junior Gold athletes would then have the opportunity to enter various squads. If you would prefer to award your ratio/champion after all of your squads have bowled, bowlers may only enter a Junior Gold qualifying event once prior TOURNAMENT QUESTIONS (Continued)
to their squad. For example, John is bowling in squads 1,2 and 3 . He decided to participate in Junior Gold during the second squad. Then only his score from squad 2 would count towards Junior Gold, even if squads 1 and 3 were higher scores. Scores are counted immediately after the athlete pays the Junior Gold fee (if applicable).

Can a bowler enter a Junior Gold qualifying event multiple times and use his/her highest score to qualify? No. A player can enter a specific Junior Gold Qualifying event only once. Multiple participation is NOT allowed in Junior Gold qualifying events.

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## FAQs

I had a tie for my advancer and I'm only able to send one bowler based on my ratio. What do I do? As with any tie advancing to the next level, you must hold a roll-off (USBC 326a, Item 2b) and you must have at least a one frame roll-off. In this situation, co-champions are not allowed.

At the end of my event, I found that one of the advancers did not have a current Junior Gold membership. How should I handle this?
The first mistake was letting the player participate initially. Junior Gold rules require ALL participants to have a current Junior Gold membership BEFORE they begin the qualifying event. In this case, the player is not eligible to advance and should be replaced with the next eligible player in line.
I only have three bowlers who have not yet qualified for the Junior Gold Championships. Can I pay for a bowler who has already qualified to make my required four bowlers?
No. There cannot be a "phantom" bowler included to reach the minimum requirement. If a bowler already has obtained a berth to the Junior Gold Championships, he/ she may enter another tournament, provided the bowler pays for his/her entry and does so by his/her own choice. This means the bowler must consent to enter the tournament and is not allowed to be "entered into an event without his/her knowledge."

Are there any tournament formats which are not allowed to be used as a Junior Gold Championships qualifying event?
Currently, the only tournament formats that are not allowed

for Junior Gold would be the handicap events, Baker format, 40 -frame game, moonlight bowling tournaments, Mail-O-Graphic tournaments and no-pin tap tournaments. All of the Junior Gold tournaments must be USBC certified and Junior Gold approved and must follow all USBC rules. If your event is not a typical tenpin format, please contact us directly and we can assist.

I run an adult/youth tournament. Is this allowed as a Junior Gold Championships event?
Yes! As long as your adult/youth bowlers bowl a minimum of three individual games and it is scratch competition, you can simply take the youth's score and use that as a qualifier. With the youth's score you can then award based on your advancement ratio. You can then award any scholarship money based on the total adult/youth score.

I run a handicap and scratch tournament. The book says it must be scratch competition. Can I allow my handicap bowlers to participate in Junior Gold if they are members?
Yes, as long as you are using only their scratch scores in the Junior Gold portion of the event. Please be very specific in your tournament rules as to the eligibility of your Junior Gold qualifier.

What is the final day I can replace and individual who declines the invitation?
The final day Junior Gold will accept replacements for individuals who decline is July 3, 2016.



## NOTICE: APPLICANT MUST BE A USBC YOUTH STANDARD MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP.

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM COMPLETELY SO PROCESSING IS NOT DELAYED.

## YOUTH BOWLER USBC ID\#

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## BOWLERS INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

GENDER $\square$ MALE $\square$ FEMALE

FIRST NAME
MIDDLE INITIAL
LAST NAME
DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) / /
LAST 4 DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER $\qquad$ YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

EMAIL

## PARENTS INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

$\square$ FEMALE
FIRST NAME $\qquad$ MIDDLE INITIAL $\qquad$ LAST NAME

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) $\qquad$ 11 EMAIL

## TELEPHONE

$\qquad$
ADDRESS
$\longrightarrow$

CITY STATE $\qquad$ ZIP

JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP FEE IS \$10, WHETHER NEW OR RENEWAL. PAYMENT MUST BE IN U.S. DOLLARS. PAYMENT METHOD (All payments must be made in U.S. funds)
$\square$ Visa/MC $\square$ Money Order - Payable to IBC Youth
$\square$ Personal Check - Payable to IBC Youth

Parent's or Guardian's Name as it appears on credit card $\qquad$
CREDIT CARD NUMBER $\qquad$ EXPIRATION DATE $\qquad$ 1 CCV

TOTAL PAYMENT \$
Parent or Guardian Signature


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are you hosting multiple qualifying events？$\bigcirc$ yes $\bigcirc$ No（ATtach a list with this application） HOW MANY NATIONAL SPOTS WOULD YOU LIKE TO RESERVE？ $\qquad$ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \＄ $\qquad$ （\＄200 PER SPOT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH FORM）

## TOURNAMENT／LEAGUE COORDINATOR

LAST NAME $\qquad$ FIRST NAME $\qquad$
ADDRESS $\qquad$
CITY $\qquad$ STATE／PROVINCE ZIP

| DAY PHONE $(\quad)$ | EVENING PHONE $(\quad)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| FAX NUMBER $(\quad)$ | MOBILE PHONE $(\quad)$ |

EMAIL $\qquad$ Which primary contact information would you like posted on bowl．com for your event？
SIGNATURE＊
＊Signature authorizes USBC to fax or e－mail pertinent league／tournament information， as well as verifies all provided information is accurate

PAYMENT METHOD（ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN U．S．FUNDS） $\square$ VISA $\square$ MASTERCARD NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD $\qquad$
CREDIT CARD NUMBER $\qquad$ EXPIRATION DATE $\qquad$ ／ CCV

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3．Make sure the tournament is certified separately． Please complete the Tournament certification process online before the start of your event．

SEND APPLICATION AND PAYMENT TO

## IBC Youth

Attn：Junior Gold Championships
621 Six Flags Drive
Arlington，TX 76011
Email：tournaments＠ibcyouth．com
Fax：（817）385－8262
All payments must be made to：IBC Youth
4．No refunds will be given for unused spots． 2016-2017 SEASON

## PLEASE PRINT

EVENT NAME $\qquad$ USBC CERTIFICATION \# $\qquad$ BEGINS ___ / $\qquad$ / 20 $\qquad$ ENDS $\qquad$ _ 1 I $\qquad$ / 20 $\qquad$ EVENT \# $\qquad$

BOWLING CENTER $\qquad$
CITY $\qquad$ STATE/PROVINCE/ZONE/COUNTRY $\qquad$
type of event $\bigcirc$ tournament $\bigcirc$ league
PARTICIPANTS IN THIS EVENT
MALE $\qquad$ FEMALE $\qquad$
HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS ARE JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERS? MALE $\qquad$ FEMALE

WHAT ADVANCEMENT RATIO/PROCEDURE DID YOUR EVENT USE FOR THE JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS?$1: 4$
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THIS REPORT WAS SUBMITTED BY


EMAIL $\qquad$

SIGNATURE*
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY FEES SUBMITTED STAFF
Reserved spots already submitted
\# of additional spots submitted
\# of individual Junior Gold Membership submitted
\# of group Junior Gold Memberships sold

PAYMENT METHOD (ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN U.S. FUNDS)
 VISA NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD

## CREDIT CARD NUMBER

$\qquad$ EXPIRATION DATE $\qquad$ $/$ $\qquad$ CCV

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3. List of names and addresses of advancing participants and alternates
4. All monies as identified in the Financial Summary

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EVENT COORDINATOR SIGNATURE
This form must be returned with your post event report within 15 days from the close of your event. All events must be completed by May 31,2017 .
EVENT TYPE
TOURNAMENT
league
2016-2017 SEASON
This form should not be submitted unless the qualifier is comprised of U 15 only bowlers


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LIST BOWLERS ADVANCING TO THE 2017 JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
EMAIL ADDRESS


[^1]U12 ONLY QUALIFYING EVENT APPLICATION 2016-2017 SEASON

This form should not be submitted unless the qualifier is comprised of U12 only bowlers


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Reserved spots already submitted

\# of additional qualifiers | $\times \$ 100=$ |
| ---: |
| \# of individual Junior Gold Memberships sold | | $\times \$ 100=$ |
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PLAYER LAST NAME
FIRST NAME

## ADDRESS

$\qquad$
PHONE $\qquad$ EMAIL $\qquad$
DATE OF BIRTH
USBC ID\# $\qquad$
I, the parent/guardian of the above-minor child, hereby request my child to compete in the:

## $\square$ U15 Division

$\square$ U20 Division
I understand that this is not the age division he/she was assigned originally by the Junior Gold Championships tournament. I am aware that my child will be competing against older and potentially more physically developed players with potentially higher level skills, and I, therefore, recognize the added risks to my child's health and safety, as well as to my child's emotional well being. In signing below, I accept these risks and accept all and every liability and responsibility stemming from such risks as my own, and I absolve the Junior Gold Championships, its affiliated clubs, board members, volunteers, and associated personnel against any claims. I also acknowledge that I am making this decision on my own initiative and have not been requested to do so by any outside influence.

It is the Junior Gold Championships policy that all players compete at a level they are capable of, both physically and developmentally.

This form must be submitted to the Junior Gold Tournament before June 1, 2016. No changes to a division may be made after this date.

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## U15 AGE WAIVER FORM 2015-2016 SEASON

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PLAYER LAST NAME
FIRST NAME
ADDRESS
$\qquad$
PHONE $\qquad$ EMAIL $\qquad$

DATE OF BIRTH USBC ID\# $\qquad$

I, the parent/guardian of the above-minor child, hereby request my child to compete in the U20 Division. I understand that this is not the age division he/she was assigned originally by the Junior Gold Championships tournament. I am aware that my child will be competing against older and potentially more physically developed players with potentially higher level skills, and I, therefore, recognize the added risks to my child's health and safety, as well as to my child's emotional well being. In signing below, I accept these risks and accept all and every liability and responsibility stemming from such risks as my own, and I absolve the Junior Gold Championships, its affiliated clubs, board members, volunteers, and associated personnel against any claims. I also acknowledge that I am making this decision on my own initiative and have not been requested to do so by any outside influence.

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PARENT/GUARDIAN LAST NAME $\qquad$ FIRST NAME
$\qquad$ DATE $\qquad$
PLAYER SIGNATURE $\qquad$ DATE $\qquad$


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