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## Eligibility - Rule 300C

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All entrants in a tournament certified by USBC must qualify under the rules of the tournament.

All participants must be USBC members. Tournament management has options to requiring all participants hold USBC membership.

### ***Participation Options:***

**Adult tournaments-** A \$5.00 participation fee can be charged to bowlers who are not USBC members. This must be stated in the rules.

**USBC Youth tournaments-** For Youth tournaments the participation fee is \$2.00. Participation Fee and Membership Fee may be waived allowing all youth bowlers to participate in the tournament and subjects them to all USBC and tournament rules. This must be stated in the tournament rules.

**Note:** Participation fee is not applicable for moral support or association championship tournaments.

Participation fees are forwarded to USBC upon completion of the tournament. The Participation Report can be found on BOWL.com.

### **Associate Membership**

Tournaments that do not adopt a participation fees can sell USBC Associate Membership to bowlers who do not hold a current USBC membership card. The membership fee for Associate Membership is \$21.00 for adults and \$17.50 for Youth, unless the actual local dues are known. The fees and membership applications cards are forwarded to USBC. The form can be found on BOWL.com.

**Note:** Only entrants who are USBC members before participation in the tournament are eligible for USBC awards.

### **Youth Bowlers in USBC Adult tournaments**

Unmarried grade or high school students under the age of 18 must have parental consent to participate in USBC Adult tournaments. (Rule 13.) The Parental Consent form can be found on BOWL.com. If the tournament gives cash prizes and is a team competition the youth is giving up their USBC Youth Eligibility.

Youth may bowl in **singles competitions** (including side competitions/brackets) offering cash, bonds or merchandise exceeding \$500, provided prior to bowling tournament management agrees to award the youth's prize in the form of a scholarship; or the youth signs the USBC Singles Competition Prize Waiver form waiving his/her rights to any prize in violation of this rule. The Singles Competition Prize Waiver form can be found on BOWL.com.