



2012 HAWAII STATE FINALS RULES

1. This tournament is sanctioned by the USBC (#4498) and shall be governed by the rules of USBC. Participants must be currently certified USBC members in good standing.
2. Tournament Site: Sanction No. 570
Schofield Bowling Center
Schofield Barracks
Building 557
Wahiawa, HI 96857-5000
(808)655-0573
3. One-time entry. If an individual qualified for but cannot participate in the state competition, a replacement may be selected to participate based on order of finish in the previous qualifying event.
4. Advancement ratio from league to state is at least one (1) for every two (2) entries per division, per league or major fraction thereof, including last place ties with a minimum of 10 bowlers per division and age group per junior bowling program. In all cases, at least one (1) person per division shall advance. The advancement ratio shall be applied uniformly to all eligible divisions. The windows shall be February 4, 2012 through February 12, 2012.
5. 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/zone, the bowler must declare one state/zone to continue competing before the next competition level. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state/zone will result in automatic disqualification.
6. Competition will occur as shown on squad time attachment. This schedule is SUBJECT TO CHANGE pending number of bowlers entered in each division (division based on age as of 8/1/2011).
7. Entry closing date is February 12, 2012. The following must be submitted to the Tournament Director before or on Sunday, March 18, 2012 (1) qualifiers' names, USBC National ID number, dates of birth, and ages; (2) tournament entry forms with league standing sheet results as of Sunday, February 26, 2012; and (3) fees.
8. Competition will be conducted in six (6) Scholarship Divisions (Center Report) and Eight (8) Awards Divisions (State Report) Divisions are based on the participant's age as of August 1, 2011.

Scholarship Division
(Age as of August 1, 2011)
Boys' Handicap, Age 11 and Under
Girls' Handicap, Age 11 and Under
Boys' Handicap, 12 and Above
Girls' Handicap, 12 and Above
Boys' Scratch, 12 and Above
Girls' Scratch, 12 and Above

Trophy Division
(Age as of August 1, 2011)
Boys' Handicap, Age 8 and Under
Girls' Handicap, Age 8 and Under
Boys' Handicap, 9 to 11 Years of Age
Girls' Handicap, 9 to 11 Years of Age
Boys' Handicap, 12 and Above
Girls' Handicap, 12 and Above
Boys' Scratch, 12 and Above
Girls' Scratch, 12 and Above

9. The tournament format shall be:

- a. Age 11 and Under Divisions Bowlers will bowl 3 games on Friday April 6, 2012 and 3 games on Saturday April 7, 2012. Bowlers will remain on one pair of lanes for each 3-game block. **THERE WILL BE NO FINALS.** Bowlers with the highest pinfall with handicap will be declared Champions of their respective Divisions. If there is a tie for first place, the bowlers will be declared co-champions.
- b. Age 12 and Above Divisions. Bowlers will bowl 6 games on Friday April 6, 2012 and 6 games on Saturday April 7, 2012. Bowlers will move to a different pair of lanes as designated by the tournament committee after 3 games. Total pinfall plus handicap where applicable will determine the top 6 bowlers in each division. In case of a tie for the final qualifying spot, a one game roll-off will determine the final qualifier. Roll-off will be held on Sunday, April 8, 2012 at time designated by Tournament Committee. The participant with the higher scratch 3-game qualifying series will have the choice of starting lane. Tournament Committee will determine roll-off lanes.
- c. State Finals for Age 12 and Above Divisions The State Finals will be held on Sunday April 8, 2012, 9:00 AM. Check-in time will be specified at finalists' meeting on Saturday April 7, 2012. Pinfall from the previous games will be dropped. The top 6 finalists in each division will bowl 5 games in league play format, using the six-team league schedule, followed by 1 position round. Ten bonus pins will be awarded for a match play and position round win and 5 points for a tie. Total pinfall in the 6 games, plus bonus pins and handicap where applicable, will determine the champions in all divisions.

A first place tie at the end of the position round in the Handicap Division will be broken by a one-game roll-off. Should a tie still exist, a 9th and 10th frame roll-off (plus one tenth of handicap per frame if applicable) shall be used to break the tie. In the Scratch Division, 1st & 2nd place ties will be broken by a one-game roll-off. All other place ties will be determined by highest scratch game bowled. All champions, runners up, scholarship winners and their coach and/or parent will attend a meeting immediately following the award ceremony to complete necessary forms.

10. Entry Fee:

Age 11 and Under Division		Age 12 and Above Handicap Division		Age 12 and Above Scratch Division	
Lineage	\$12.00	Lineage	\$24.00	Lineage	\$24.00
Scholarships	4.00	Scholarships	4.00	Scholarships	4.00
Expense and Entry Fee	2.50	Expense and Entry Fee	2.50	Expense and Entry Fee	2.50
Awards	3.50	Awards	7.50	Awards	7.50
				National Travel Expense	2.00
TOTAL	\$22.00	TOTAL	\$38.00	TOTAL	\$40.00

STATE FINAL ROUND FEE: There will be a fee of \$12.00 for the State Final Rounds on Sunday April 8, 2012 for bowlers in the Age 12 and Above Divisions.

Award and Scholarship fees will be returned 100% to the bowlers. Scholarship money will be held in the SMART program with USBC. Go to smart@bowl.com or call (800)514-BOWL, ext. 8292. (SMART account number 8518).

NO REFUND for withdrawals after Wednesday March 28, 2012,

- 11. ALL BOWLERS** must wear their JUNIOR PROGRAM SHIRTS, or OFFICIAL USBC YOUTH JERSEY. No writing on, additional logo's, sponsorship, advertisement or defacing of the bowling shirt will be permitted at any time. Hats cannot be worn while competing. The following rules pertain to the 12 and above divisions: Girls are required to wear dress slacks or skirts. The length of skirts must be no more than 4 inches from the top of the knee. Girls are not allowed to wear shorts, scooters, split skirts, or culottes. Boys are required to wear dress slacks. All apparel worn by athletes shall be loose fitting and not made of fleece or spandex-like material. Jeans, shorts, warm-up suits, and clothes with draw-string at the waist or elastic at the ankles are not allowed. **COACHES MUST CHECK BOWLERS' ATTIRE BEFORE AND DURING COMPETITION.** Participants in violation of this rule will be issued a verbal warning by the Tournament Director or designated Tournament Committee member. A second violation will result in disqualification. An infraction of the rule on the final day of competition will result in an automatic disqualification if not resolved prior to start of competition.

Tournament Rules: Rule 301b – Prohibits youth bowlers from wearing apparel or using bowling equipment depicting alcohol, tobacco, gambling, illegal substances or inappropriate language/gestures during youth tournament competition.

12. No substitutes will be permitted, however replacements (name must be on League Worksheet) may be used for bowlers not present 10 minutes prior to squad time as stated in Rule 3.

13. Competitors shall be allowed 5 minutes of practice time on their starting lanes.
14. Competitors arriving late shall begin with the frame in progress. Frames missed or athletes not present to bowl when it is their turn will receive a zero (0) for that frame.
15. Bowlers shall use their highest current average, minimum of 9 games as of Sunday, February 26, 2012. A league standing sheet must verify averages. If a bowler does not have the required minimum number of games, the bowler will be allowed to bowl scratch. If a bowler has a sport average, Rule 202d applies as well as the adjustment chart in the USBC Rulebook. If the sport league is the only league the bowler participates in, then the adjustment chart must be used for the "correct" average.
16. Handicap will be 100% of the difference between the bowler's average and 210.
17. Only competitors and tournament officials shall be permitted in the settee area and walkway directly back of the settee area. All coaching will be done back of the settee and walkway area. Bowlers delayed by coaching may be given a zero (0) for that frame.
18. Sixth place ties after the qualifying round 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, plus one tenth of handicap per frame where applicable. All other ties will be determined by higher scratch 3-game series (Note: For rules related to ties for championships in the 12 and above and 11 and under divisions, please see Rule 9 above).
19. Claims of error 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 completion of the tournament day. The Tournament Director is responsible for resolving all claims of error. All other protests must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director within 72 hours or before the awards are presented.
20. Symbolic awards will be given as follows:
 - a. AGE 11 and Under Divisions. Trophies will be awarded to a ratio of 1 per 10 bowlers. Bowlers with the highest pinfall with handicap will be declared Champions of their respective Divisions. If a tie occurs for first place, duplicate trophies will be awarded. Trophies will be presented after scores have been tabulated on Saturday April 7, 2012.
 - b. AGE 12 and Above Divisions. Trophies will be awarded to a ratio of 1 per 10 bowlers. Trophies to the top seven bowlers will be presented on Sunday April 8, 2012. Trophies for the other places will be presented after scores have been tabulated on Saturday April 7, 2012.
21. Scholarship will be given as follows:
 - a. AGE 11 and Under Divisions: Scholarship funds will be divided to the top two winners of the girls and boys division not to exceed \$250.00, per division.
 - b. AGE 12 and Above Divisions: Scholarship funds will be divided to the top six winners of the girls and boys scratch and handicap divisions not to exceed \$875.00.
22. The first-place and second place winner in each of the 12 and above SCRATCH divisions will receive an entry to the 2012 North Pointe Junior Gold Championships, July 14th through 20th, 2012, in Indianapolis, IN. Winners will be responsible for all trip expenses to the Championships. A limited amount of travel expense funds will be provided from the National Travel Expense fees and proceeds from the raffle of bowling products donated by manufacturers and local pro shops. Airline tickets and lodging receipts must be submitted for release of these funds. Advancers must be USBC Junior Gold program members or must be eligible to purchase membership prior to the July Finals. Advancers will be required to be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or coach.
23. Advancers must agree to bowl in the North Pointe Junior Gold Championships or, failing to do so, agree to waive all rights. If the Scratch Division Champions are unwilling or unable to become a USBC Junior Gold Program Member and does not advance to the Championships, the athlete will still retain the state scholarship, but the berth to the Championships will be awarded to the next eligible athlete. Any travel expense paid by Hawaii State Tournament Committee, must be immediately returned. Replacements will be selected based on the order of finish in their division at the state level. All provisions set forth in item 22 above apply to replacement athletes. The state Tournament Committee will make replacement decisions.

24. The use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, and illegal drugs by a competitor at any time during the competition will result in the disqualification of the competitor from the tournament. A parent or spectator who wishes to smoke during the competition should do so outside of the bowling center in a designated smoking area at least 200 ft from any entrance way (C&C of Honolulu Ordinance). USBC needs to provide the best possible atmosphere for these athletes during this event.
25. Competitors who violate tournament rules and/or participate in conduct prohibited by USBC rules are subject to immediate disqualification.
26. All matters not covered by these rules and regulations shall be determined by the State Pepsi USBC Youth Championships Tournament Committee. The National Pepsi USBC Youth Championships Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant. The Hawaii State Tournament Committee is shown below:

State Tournament Director
David Yoshishige

State Tournament Committee Members
Larry Horie
Mary Lou Horie
Naomi Martin
Mel Matsumura
Ron Shim
Carol Shiraishi
Earle Suyeoka
Allen Wallace
Lydia Yoshishige