

How to run a Junior Gold League

1. Download North Pointe Junior Gold League Handbook from www.bowl.com/juniorgold
2. Determine if your league(s) will be “Sport Bowling” certified. If so, please visit for more details.
3. Complete an USBC league certification application, which is obtained through your local association manager.
4. Complete the North Pointe Junior Gold Qualifying Event Application. (found on page 11 of the North Pointe Junior Gold League Handbook)
5. Determine your league(s) format. (Your league competition **MUST** be scratch and consist of a minimum of 24 games.
6. Determine the rules for your league(s).
 - a. At least one half of the league **MUST** be USBC Junior Gold Members
 - b. Include the date your league will begin and end, cost, format, eligibility and the way North Pointe Junior Gold Championships advancers will be determined.
 - c. Determine if you want your North Pointe Junior Gold Championships qualifier to be a “Premier” Event. (Premier events would cover any of all expenses at the North Pointe Junior Gold Championships. There is no minimum amount of a stipend for the spot to qualify as a “Premier” spot.
 - d. Determine your advancement ratio. The ratio **MUST** be 1:4 or Champion(s) only advancing at the end of your short-season (minimum of 24 games) or full-season league.
 - e. The entire league **CANNOT** qualify though the Junior Gold League.
 - f. You must also state if a “major fraction thereof” will be used for advancement purposes.
 - g. For a separate girl’s division, though you need only 4 (four) girls to hold the division, you may still only advance a maximum of 1:4 ratio, or major fraction thereof. Be sure your rules indicate the “or major fraction thereof” wording if you want to advance as many Junior Gold Members as possible. (Using a 1:4 ratio or major fraction thereof, a total of 3 to 6 entrants would advance 1; 7-10 entrants would advance 2, etc.)
 - h. Determining the number of advancers will occur at the end of your season. (as bowlers may become Junior Gold members any time during the league)
Advancement ratio/champion is only applied to the Junior Gold Members.
7. Prior to the **START** of the league, determine the rule for alternates. In league competitions, alternative processes for naming replacements need to be **CLEARLY DEFINED**.

8. Download North Pointe Junior Gold Championships qualifying materials, applications and report forms from www.bowl.com on the Youth/Junior Gold pages.
9. **ONE MONTH PRIOR to your event**, complete a North Pointe Junior Gold Championships Tournament Application and send it along with a \$200 payment for a minimum of one reserved spot and a copy of your rules to:

North Pointe Junior Gold Championships
621 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011

10. **WITHIN 15 days of completion of your North Pointe Junior Gold Championships Qualifying Event. You MUST provide a COMPLETED Post-Event Form and a COMPLETED U15 and U20 Finalist Report Forms. Please include your event number assigned by USBC.** (North Pointe Junior Gold Championships Finalist Packets will be e-mailed by USBC directly to the advancers once your post-event paperwork has been received and processed)
11. **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 competition; USBC RULES 301d and 309)