

TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW & SCHEDULE

The Pepsi USBC Youth Championships begins with league level qualifying. Bowling centers with certified USBC Youth leagues are automatic qualifying sites. Since qualifying begins during league level, there is no entry fee at this level. League level qualifying will be between Oct. 1, 2009 and Feb. 28, 2010.

Please note: The league level window includes October to accommodate high school leagues. Please contact your state/zone Pepsi tournament director if your league needs to take advantage of a window earlier than the one specified by your state/zone.



Qualifying competition is held in divisions based on the bowler's age as of Aug. 1, 2009:

- ⇒ 11 and under Boys Handicap
- ⇒ 12 and above Boys Handicap
- ⇒ 12 and above Boys Scratch

- ⇒ 11 and under Girls Handicap
- ⇒ 12 and above Girls Handicap
- ⇒ 12 and above Girls Scratch

Winners in these divisions will advance to the state/zone competition with some earning scholarships.

The Scratch Division winners and runners-up from the state/zone finals will receive a berth from USBC into the 2010 USBC Junior Gold Championships to be held July 10-16, 2010 in Indianapolis. USBC will waive the \$150 entry fee for these athletes. There the bowlers will compete for additional scholarships available to all athletes at the USBC Junior Gold Championships. **The advancers must be USBC Junior Gold program members or be eligible and purchase a membership prior to the championships. There is no requirement to be a Junior Gold program member to enter the Scratch Division at the local or state/zone level.**

YOUR STATE/ZONE PEPSI TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DATES

OCT. 1, 2009-FEB. 28, 2010

League level qualifying will take place. Qualifying window dates are determined by the state/zone Pepsi Tournament Committee and listed in the rules and information. Consult bowl.com for the Pepsi Tournament Director in each state/zone or see this handbook if you have not received the rules for your specific state/zone.

MARCH 1-APRIL 30, 2010

Center and sectional qualifying will take place (if applicable in your specific state/zone). Contact the Pepsi Tournament Director for your state/zone in case of questions (see this handbook and bowl.com for the list of directors).

MARCH 1-MAY 31, 2010

State/zone competition will take place.

MAY-JUNE 1, 2010

USBC sends confirmation letters to state/zone advancers to Junior Gold Championships.

JUNE 1, 2010

Deadline for USBC's receipt of information on state/zone advancers to Junior Gold Championships.

JULY 10-16, 2010

USBC Junior Gold Championships – Indianapolis

JULY 15-24, 2010

USBC Youth Open – Indianapolis