

Nebraska Youth Bowling Partnership Presents

The 2023-2024 Nebraska Youth Open & U23 Bowling Tour



Tour Stop Dates & Locations

8/6/2023 Big Apple Fun Center (Kearney, NE)	11/4-11/5/2023 Westside Lanes (Grand Island, NE) <i>(Includes Galen Keas Memorial Doubles Event)</i>	5/5/2024 Hollywood Bowl (Lincoln, NE)
8/19-8/20/2023 Legacy Lanes (Monticello, IA)	3/3/2024 Mockingbird Lanes (Omaha, NE)	6/2/2024 Maplewood Lanes (Omaha, NE)
9/3/2023 West Lanes (Omaha, NE)	4/7/2024 King's Lanes (Norfolk, NE)	Storm Elite Invitational Finals 6/22/2024 and 6/23/2024 Sun Valley Lanes (Lincoln, NE)
10/1/2023 Thunderbowl Bowlero (Council Bluffs, IA) <i>(Dual Pattern Event; Added prize money from Council Bluffs USBC)</i>		

Tour Stop Divisions Offered

U12 Boys/Girls Scratch; birthdate 8/1/2011 or later	U23 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2000 to 7/31/2005
U15 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2008 to 7/31/2011	Mixed Handicap: birthdate 8/1/2005 or later; average < 176
U18 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2005 to 7/31/2008	

Check-in and start time will be announced no later than 7 days prior to the event. Most events will start check-in at 8:15 am with announcements and practice starting at 8:50 am. Some venues will require more than one squad.** *Some stop locations will include an optional Saturday afternoon event. Information for these events will be posted no later than two weeks prior to the event on our Facebook page and via email.*

**Check-in and start times will be adjusted at proprietors' discretion. All check-in and start times will be posted on the Facebook Page, website, and will be emailed to each registered participant. Walk-ins will be accepted on a space available basis.

Fees: \$65* per bowler, per tournament; \$50 per bowler yearly membership fee (due at each bowler's second event of the season). Optional Junior Gold Qualifying and Side Brackets available at each Tour Stop. Optional High Game Pots available at select Tour Stops. Walk-ins will be accepted on a space available basis.

*Registrations received fewer than 5 days prior to each event will be \$75. No-shows and same day cancellations will be assessed a \$25 fee to register at a future event, subject to tournament director's discretion.

Absolutely no email, text message, phone, or social media messaging entries will be accepted. Inquiries are welcome via these media, but you must register online or walk-in to bowl.

Full Rules and additional information available on TournamentBowl.com, by request, or on the Facebook Page. Full Rules will be posted at each event. See back for abbreviated rules.

Non-Tour Stop Events, Dates, and Locations*

*These events will have separate rules, divisions, cost, and start times specific to each event and more information will be available via Facebook and email.

TBD: Youth & U23 Sandhills Tournament
Hollywood Bowl (Lincoln, NE)
11/12/2023 **Salute to Veterans Youth & U23 Tournament
Sun Valley Lanes (Lincoln, NE)

2/18/2024 Elimination Extravaganza Youth & U23 Tournament
Western Bowl (Omaha, NE)
5/19/2024 **Salute to the Military Youth & U23 Tournament
Mockingbird Lanes (Omaha, NE)

**See Facebook: Salute to the Military Youth Bowling for more information.



All regular tour stop events will have optional Junior Gold Qualifiers, provided there are enough entries.



Enter online at TournamentBowl.com. Search "Tournaments Upcoming" and then filter by state to find all of our events.

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Abbreviated Tour Stop Rules and Information (as of 7/28/2023)

Full rules available at tournamentbowl.com. Select "Upcoming Tournaments" and select the event from the list. On the home page, all rules and additional information can be downloaded or linked.

- 1 **Eligibility:** Open to all USBC sanctioned youth bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2005 or later and all adult bowlers whose birth date is between 8/1/2000 and 7/31/2005. **All bowlers who turn 18 on or before 7/31/2023 must be sanctioned as adults before bowling the first event of the season.**
- 2 **Cost:** \$65 tournament entry (**\$75 late registration**); optional Junior Gold entry fee and optional side pots at select events. Per tournament: \$25 lineage, \$30 awards and scholarships, \$5 to season finals, \$5 expenses. A \$50 yearly membership fee is required upon bowler's second event of the season and goes toward the season finals prize fund, season awards, and general season operating expenses. For families with two or more bowlers, the membership fee will be \$60/family. **No-shows and same day cancellations will be assessed a \$25 fee to register at a future event, subject to tournament director's discretion.**
- 3 **Junior Gold Qualifying (optional):** All events will be Junior Gold Qualifiers, provided the minimum number of entries is met.
- 4 **Entries** Pre-registered/pre-paid entries will be accepted first. Walk-ins will be accepted based on availability. *See rule #7 for registration information.*
- 5 **Divisions:**
 - U12 Boys/Girls Scratch; birthdate 8/1/2011 or later
 - U15 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2008 to 7/31/2011
 - U18 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2005 to 7/31/2008
 - U23 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2000 to 7/31/2005
 - Mixed Handicap: birthdate 8/1/2005 or later, average under 176; 80% of 200. The maximum handicap will be 90 pins per game.

Note: Divisions may be combined if there are fewer than 10 entries per division. Divisions will be combined first within age groups and then across age groups as needed to make a full division. A bowler who wishes to bowl in a higher age division than where their birthdate places them may do so, but once a bowler has voluntarily moved up in age division or moved from handicap to scratch, the bowler must remain in that division for the remainder of the season. The exception to this rule is if the tournament director combines age groups for a single event.

Averages: Starting averages for the Handicap division will be the highest book average on bowl.com for the 2022-2023 season. Bowlers whose first event is after January 1, 2024, will use the highest average as of 12/31/2023 for a minimum of 12 games. If the bowler does not have an established average on bowl.com, please provide a current league standing sheet. Bowlers unable to provide a valid average will bowl scratch. Handicap averages will be rerated every 10 games.
- 6 **Sport or challenge oil pattern:** All events will be held on a sport or challenge oil pattern. Pattern will be released no later than one week prior to each event.
- 7 **Registration:** Pre-registration and pre-payment is encouraged. Most events will fill quickly and will have a waiting list. Walk-ins will be accepted based on availability per event. Walk-in and online entries received 5 or fewer days before each event will be \$75. Absolutely no email, text message, phone, or social media messaging entries will be accepted this year. Inquiries are welcome, but you must register online or walk-in.
 - Most events will consist of only one qualifying squad, but it may be necessary to have two squads at small bowling centers. Times and divisions for squads will be emailed and posted on Facebook.
 - Register online at TournamentBowl.com. No text, social media messenger, phone, or email entries will be accepted. Payment will be taken at registration. Prepayments will be accepted and information for how to prepay can be found on Facebook and will be emailed to all registered bowlers.
- 8 **Tour Stop Dates/Locations:** *(Formats will vary, but will have a minimum of 5 games of qualifying and a cut to finals. Formats will be published on Facebook page and included in information emails.)*
 - Stop 1-8/6/2023 Big Apple Fun Center; Kearney, NE
 - Stop 2-8/19-8/20/2023 Legacy Lanes; Monticello, IA
 - Stop 3-9/3/2023 West Lanes; Omaha, NE
 - Stop 4-10/1/2023 Thunderbowl Bowlero, Council Bluffs, IA **Dual Pattern Event**
 - Stop 5-11/5/2023 Westside Lanes; Grand Island, NE
 - Stop 6-3/3/2024 Mockingbird Lanes; Omaha, NE
 - Stop 7-4/7/2024 King's Lanes; Norfolk, NE
 - Stop 8-5/5/2024 Hollywood Bowl; Lincoln, NE
 - Stop 9-6/2/2024 Maplewood Lanes; Omaha, NE
 - Season Finals-6/22/2024-6/23/2024; Sun Valley Lanes, Lincoln, NE

Check-in times will vary and will be announced on our Facebook page at least 7 days prior to each event.
- 9 **Scholarships and Payouts:** Scholarships/payouts will be awarded at a minimum of a 1:5 in each division and will pay to finalists only. The amount of scholarship/payout available will be finalized the day of the event. Scholarship money will be deposited into bowlers' SMART accounts within 30 days of the conclusion of the tournament. Additional scholarship/payout money may be added on the day of the tournament. **U23 bowlers, birthdate between 8/1/2000 and 7/31/2005, will have the option to take their payouts in cash or scholarship.** It is the college bowlers' responsibility to know their limits for cash/scholarship awards to maintain collegiate eligibility. Scholarships awarded will be governed by the National SMART Fund. www.bowl.com/SMART
- 10 **Dress Code:** Collared shirts or bowling jerseys for boys and girls; slacks or dress shorts for boys; slacks, dress shorts, or skorts for girls. Shorts and skirts/skorts must be at least mid-thigh length in the front, back, and sides when standing, and a skort must completely cover the shorts underneath at all times, including when bowling. No cargo pants, cargo shorts, jeans, athletic shorts, sweatpants or yoga-type pants, hats, or sleeveless shirts will be allowed. Any apparel depicting cigarettes, alcohol, drugs or weapons will not be allowed. Tournament director reserves the right to disallow any apparel that does not meet these criteria and tournament director's decision is final.
- 11 **Season Finals:** Season finals will be held on 6/22/2024 and 6/23/2024. Bowlers must attend a minimum of three (3) regular season Tour Stops to be eligible for the season finals. There is no minimum point requirement for the Season Finals.
- 12 Any rules not listed here will be covered by USBC playing rules and/or Junior Gold qualifying rules. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations may lead to disqualification from the event. All matters not covered by these rules and regulations will be determined by the Tournament Director. All decisions are final.
- 13 By entering a NEYBP event you agree to any photos/videos of you at the event to be posted on the NEYBP website, Facebook page, or other NEYBP social media sites. Live streaming of events may also occur.