

Gloria McKenney Memorial Youth Singles Scholarship Bowling Tournament Rules

1. This Tournament is open to all youth bowlers with a current USBC Youth membership. All youth bowlers participating in this Tournament must present their USBC certification card and will be accepted if space is available. Participants bowling in an adult bowling league will not be allowed to participate in this event. All bowlers must be checked in at least 30 minutes before the start of the Tournament.
2. This event will be USBC certified, all bowlers must be USBC youth certified before the tournament.
3. **Tournament Format:** All youth will bowl 3 games on the same pair of lanes. The top 3 positions based on total pins, including handicap in the Handicap Divisions, will bowl a single-game elimination stepladder final. Ties for any qualifying position will be broken by a scratch 9th and 10th frame roll-off. If a tie still exists, another 9th and 10th frame roll-off will determine the standings. No handicap pins will be used in the 9th and 10th frame tiebreaker roll-offs regardless of tournament division.
4. Tournament **NO SHOWS**. If you enter the tournament and don't show, you will forfeit your entry fee. If you call and cancel a minimum of 24 hours before the tournament, your entry will be refunded minus a \$5 service fee subject to tournament directors' discretion.
5. All bowling equipment must meet USBC standards. Equipment may be spot checked at any time, any equipment used during tournament play, found not in compliance on the check, will be grounds for immediate disqualification.
6. Participants can bowl in the Handicap **or** Scratch Division but not both. Handicap will be 100% of the difference between the bowler's entering average from 210. There will be no maximum handicap for a participant and handicap will be used for the qualifying rounds and the stepladder finals in the Handicap Divisions. There will be no handicap in the Elite Scratch Divisions.
7. Bowlers will use their 2023/2024 USBC certified league season average with a minimum of 21 games. If the bowler does not have a 2023/2024 certified average, he/she will use their current USBC certified league average with a minimum of 12 games. Bowlers using a current league average must present a current league sheet as proof of an average at the tournament. If a bowler's average cannot be verified or no average exists using the above criteria, the bowler will receive "0" handicap.
8. This Tournament is for scholarship competition points only. Entry fee will be \$25.00 if paid by January 19, 2025. After January 19, entry fee will be \$30.00. Bowlers who have pre-paid must bring their payment receipt to check-in as well as their certification card. The entry fee will be divided as follows:

Bowling	\$12.00
Scholarship Contribution	10.00
Expenses	3.00
Total	\$25.00

The additional \$5.00 fee for entries received after January 19, 2025 and no shows will be added to the Scholarship Fund. Entry fee can be paid by check, cash, MasterCard or Visa. Checks should be made out to: Spins Bowl Taylor with Gloria McKenney Youth Tournament written on the notation line at the bottom left on the check and can be mailed to Spins Bowl Taylor 22255 Ecorse Rd. Taylor, MI 48180 Attention: Novella Daniels. Mailed entries will be accepted thru January 12, 2025.

9. Bowlers will bowl in one of the following divisions: Boys age 10 and under, Boys age 11-14, Boys age 15 and older. Girls age 10 and under, Girls age 11-14, Girls age 15 and over (all prior divisions are handicap) then you have Boys Elite Scratch Division age 15 and older, and Girls Elite Scratch Division age 15 and older and Boys and Girls Elite Scratch Division age 14 and under. Age of participants are based on actual age as of August 1, 2024.
10. A minimum of \$2000.00 in Scholarship contributions will be donated for this Tournament. Points for performance will be awarded for bowling ability. In addition, the top 3 finalists in each division will receive a placement medal. This is a point based event. There are no specific dollars for placement.
11. Only bowlers, designated scorekeepers and Tournament Officials are allowed in the bowler's area during the Tournament. If a problem arises, all bowlers on the pair of lanes in question are to stop bowling and **IMMEDIATELY** call a Tournament Official. All score corrections and problems require a Tournament Official present. ALL CHAIRS AND TABLES CLOSEST TO THE LANES BELONG TO THE ATHLETES.
12. A code of conduct will be posted for parents/guardian/guest and bowlers to abide by. Failure to follow this code can be grounds for disqualification of the bowler from the Tournament and or removal of the parent/guardian/guest from the bowling center.
13. Proper attire is required for participation in the Tournament. Jeans and tee-shirts (no offensive language permitted) are permitted. Baggy pants, jeans with holes, hats and short skirts are not permitted. In addition, electronic devices including cell phones or gaming is **not** permitted during bowling.
14. Youth bowler must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to apply for the scholarship points. The bowler must apply at the Michigan Bowling Scholarship committee providing the proper submitted documents. Once the committee has reviewed the qualifying criteria, the scholarship may be awarded. Points will be tracked on the Michigan Bowling Scholarship website. Further information is available from the tournament director.
15. Protests involving eligibility or playing rules must be made to tournament management in writing within the time limits in Rule 329. The decision of tournament management will be final unless a written appeal is filed with USBC Headquarters within the time limits in Rule 329.
16. Any rules not covered above will be determined by the Tournament Committee: Carmen Allen at carmelethaallen@gmail.com, Novella Daniels at novelladaniels1@gmail.com or (313)320-9983 and Management for Spins Bowl Taylor at (313)291-6220.

This Tournament is dedicated to the friendship and accomplishments of the highly respected and loved Gloria McKenney, who for many years was a leader in the bowling community. Gloria's accomplishments on and off the lanes within many leagues and T.N.B.A. have made bowling better. We thank her family for continuing to allow us to use her name for our tournament in her absence.