SOUTHERN REGIONAL JUNIOR TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

(Read these Rules and Regulations carefully)

FAILURE TO READ IS NO EXCUSE

Members of the National Bowling Association Junior Program and United States Bowling Congress under the direction of the western Region or groups are eligible to participate in this tournament. This tournament is governed by the National Bowling Association (TNBA) and United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AT THE TOURNAMENT SITE. Any entries received after midnight, April 5, 2025, may be returned. All entries must show team name, the bowler's full legal name (No Nicknames), sex, average as of 2-28-25, birth date, age as of 8-01-24, TNBA and USBC certification numbers. Any entries improperly filled out, missing signed parent permission forms, league standing sheets, or the improper amount of fees will not be accepted, and will be returned to the sender. No entry money will be returned for any reason after the closing date. IF AN ENTRY IS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE A LATE FEE OF TWENTY-FIVE (\$25.00) DOLLARS MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE ENTRIES ARE PROCESSED.

Participants must be certified in The National Bowling Association Junior Program and United States Bowling Congress prior to bowling. TNBA cards may be purchased on site for \$15.00.
Bowlers of different age divisions may bowl as a team. Bantams (9 - 11), juniors and seniors are allowed to bowl singles, doubles and team events. Bantams (8 and under) are only allowed to bowl singles on Sunday April 27, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

a. Teams must consist of 4 actual bowlers and may be, all boys, all girls, or mixed.

b. Each bowler may enter ONLY ONCE in each event.

Bowlers must bowl in the order listed on the entry. Entire line-ups cannot be changed, nor can bowlers be transferred from one team to another unless a complete team is dissolved.

3. Entrants must use their highest average based on a minimum of 21 games as of February 28, 2025, OR USBC average for 2023/2024.

a. A participant who has not bowled the required minimum games will bowl scratch.

b. Scratch is defined as follows:

Ages		Scratch	Ages	Scratch
Seniors	(15-18)	210	Bantams (9-11)	160
Juniors	(12-14)	190	Bantams (8 & under)	130

c. Handicap will be based on 100% of the difference in team total and scratch within classes as follows:

	Team			Singles			Doubles	
Div	Average	Scratch	Div	Average	Scratch	Div	Average	Scratch
1	700 & over	840	1	180 & over	210	1	350 & over	420
2	699 - 600	800	2	179 – 150	200	2	349 - 300	400
3	599 - 440	720	3	149 - 110	180	3	299 – 220	360
4	439 – 237	560	4	109 - 60	140	4	219 – 120	280
5	236 – under	400	5	59 & under	100	5	119 - under	200

4. League standing sheets must accompany entries. USBC league averages as of February 28th of the current season will be used unless the bowler's 2023-24 bowl average is higher. Sports averages will be used if it is the <u>only</u> league that the bowler bowls. Such must be noted on the entry and the average will be converted according to USBC standards.

5. Bowlers will bowl three (3) games on one pair of lanes for each event: team, doubles and singles events. Bowlers 8 and under will bowl three (3) games on one pair of lanes for singles event only. Bowlers will bowl in the same order listed on the entry form.

6. Substitutes will be allowed. Reclassification may occur due to the use of a substitute. All substitution forms must be completed one (1) hour prior to the starting squad time.

a. Substitutes **MUST** be listed on a league standing sheet.

b. Once a substitute starts to bowl, he/she must complete all nine (9) games or three (3) games.

7. Coaches/Team Captains must check in, with no substitutions, at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled time to bowl.

a. Proof of certification (TNBA & USBC cards) must be provided prior to check-in.

b. Tardy bowlers must begin the event in the frame being bowled. All missed frames will receive zero (0).

If a team refuses to start because a full line up is not present, they shall forfeit all games that they decline to bowl.

c. No blind scores shall be permitted.

8. Award fees will be returned 100%. In cases of ties the awards will be given to the highest actual pin fall. In the event of a championship tie the winner will be determined by greatest total of actual pin fall.

9. Youth may participate in brackets provided, the parent/legal guardian or coach completes the bracket form. The tournament will award the youth in the form of a scholarship via the participant's SMART account. All bracket entries are 100% returned in the form of scholarships only.

10. Bowlers are required to compete in appropriate bowling attire. No Jeans or sweats allowed. Only bowling jerseys or polo shirts with collars may be worn, mock neck bowling shirts are acceptable. Bowlers are encouraged to wear a TNBA Senate or SRJT shirts. Shorts or skorts must be longer than fingertip length when arms are hanging loosely along side of body.

11. No headgear, electronic or telephone equipment of any kind may be worn during tournament play. Failure to adhere to the dress code could result in disqualification and the bowler WILL be required to leave the lanes.

12. Bowlers must stay in the settee area while bowling, unless excused by the scorekeeper or tournament monitor.

- a. Any bowler smoking during tournament play will be disqualified.
 - b. There will be no food or drinks in the sitting area.

Coaching is not allowed in the bowling area. Parents and coaches must remain in the spectator's section.

13. Violation of any rules or falsification on any entry will result in automatic disqualification of the team or bowler with NO refund of entry fee.

14. The Tournament Committee reserves all rights. Any decision they render will be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329 (Protest & Appeals).

15. Coaches are responsible for all TNBA and USBC award applications.

REMINDERS:

- Be sure to put names (no nicknames), complete address, phone number and email address on each entry form and permission form. Please write legibly or type.
- All entries must include a team name and captain.
- Entries will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.
- Be sure to record the average, sex, TNBA and USBC certification numbers, and date of birth for each bowler.
- Notify the Tournament Director of any changes as soon as possible. This will speed up check-in as well as allow time to make corrections/adjustments.
- Dress code will be enforced.
- Entry fee must accompany the entry form. Certified checks and money orders should be made payable to: Southern Regional Junior Tournament.
- Keep a copy of the entry for your records.

REMEMBER: If you submit an incomplete entry, it may be returned. The <u>FULL ENTRY FEE</u> must be submitted!