

Salem Youth Bowling Tour

Tournament Rules

Salem Youth Bowling Tour events will consist of youth scratch singles competition. Entry fee is \$50 (\$15 lane fees, \$30 scholarship, \$5 administrative). Junior Gold qualifying entry is an additional \$40.

Walk-ins will be allowed if space is available. Entries may be made on tournamentbowl.com beginning one month prior to each event date or by emailing salemyouthbowling@gmail.com.

- All USBC rules for competition and Junior Gold qualifying events will be in place (www.bowl.com/rules).
- Bowlers will bowl five games of scratch competition on a sport oil pattern, moving one pair between games. The top six qualifiers will move on to a three-round final, where the bowlers with the lowest two scratch scores will be eliminated after each round. The top three will be awarded scholarships (if there are fewer than five bowlers in a division, all will advance to the finals and the top two will earn scholarships. Scholarships will be administered through the USBC Smart Program.
Total pin fall at the end of the five qualifying games will determine Junior Gold advancers. Junior Gold spots will be awarded based on a 1:5 ratio.
The tournament director reserves the right to combine divisions.
- Bowlers must possess a valid USBC Junior Gold membership prior to the date of the event in order to compete for a Junior Gold spot. Junior Gold memberships may be purchased online at https://www.bowl.com/Junior_Gold/Junior_Gold_Home/Membership/.
- Bowlers will not be allowed to use electronic devices on the approaches at any time. Cell phones and other communication devices should not be used in the bowler's seating area.
- Bowlers should be present at all times and ready to bowl. Coaching is allowed between frames as long as it does not disrupt the pace of play.
- Only bowlers, scorekeepers, and lane monitors/bowling alley staff are allowed in the bowling area during tournament play. All score corrections must be approved before they are made and must be done in the frame they occurred.
- Appropriate bowling attire is required, including collared shirts (zip-front mock-collar bowling jerseys also acceptable), slacks, dress pants, khakis, dress shorts, skorts or skirts. No jeans, t-shirts, hoodies, leggings, sweat shirts, or sweat pants. Bowler and spectator attire should not contain profanity, tobacco, alcohol, or drug references. If you have questions about attire, please contact the event director or bowling facility.
- Profanity or abusive language or behavior by any individual will not be tolerated.
- Bowling etiquette should be used at all times.
- Bowlers and spectators are required to adhere to local and state health and safety requirements as of the tournament date.
- Lane assignments will be determined based on number of competitors. All attempts will be made to keep bowlers paired with others in their specific age divisions.
- If there is a tie for the Junior Gold advancement spot, there will be a one game roll-off on a neutral pair.
- Salem Youth Bowling Tour reserves the right to make rule changes throughout the season as needed to adhere to USBC regulations and to ensure that competition runs smoothly, effectively and safely. Announcements made on tournament day supercede previously posted information.
- Protests (See USBC Rule 329): 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.