

- 1. All participants must be USBC Youth Members and hold Jr. Gold membership. Jr. Gold Membership may be purchased on site prior to the beginning of the competition. (USBC Certification)**
- 2. Jr. Gold spots will be offered in the following ratios for each division with the enhanced entry procedures offered for each division U12: 1 in 4 ratio or a major fraction thereof; U14/U16/U18: 1 in 5 ratio or a major fraction thereof. This allows us to advance an additional player if there are additional entries of 51% of the ratio number.**
- 3. Divisions are based on bowler age as of August 1, 2026. (See birthday guidelines)
U12: 8-1-2014 or later U14: 8-1-2012 to 7-31-2014
U16: 8/1/10 to 7/31/2012 U18: 8-1-2008 to 7-31-2010**
Bowlers are responsible for checking correct divisions. We are not responsible if a bowler competes in the wrong division, No refunds.
- 4. All Divisions will bowl 6 games moving after each game. Winners will be determined by the highest scratch total after 6 games. Ties will be broken by a one game roll off.
*** Tournament is bowled scratch, not handicapped. *****
- 5. Multiple entries are not allowed.**
- 6. Bowlers participating in this tournament are not permitted to drink alcohol, smoke, or use electronic cigarettes during tournament competitions.**
- 7. Returned checks are subject to a \$40 NSF (non-sufficient funds) charge.**
- 8. Partial Winners are required to submit their payment within 2 weeks of tournament end or forfeit their spot.**
- 9. Dress code: Bowlers must wear their pants at the waist. Leggings/Yoga pants, Sweatpants and Pants with holes or rips are not permitted. Bowlers must have a collared, V-neck, rib-lined, or banded neck. All shirts must have finished sleeves for all competitions. Bowlers must be neat in appearance.**
- 10. All scoring errors must be reported within 24 hours. The tournament director will be the final authority unless an appeal is filed under USBC rule 329.**
- 11. Pre-registration is preferred. Walk-ins will be allowed pending lane availability and charged a \$5 late fee. The Delaware State Association reserves the right to reject/deny any tournament entry.**
- 12. A bowler arriving late may bowl, however any frames missed will be awarded a score of zero for all frames missed. Frames missed cannot be made up.**
- 13. This tournament is conducted as a point-based system. Anyone that bowls in a Jr Gold Qualifier Tournament for Delaware State USBC is eligible to acquire points with each tournament bowled. 10 points for 1st place, 9 points for 2nd, 8 points for 3rd, 7 points for 4th, 6 points for 5th, 5 points for 6th, 4 points for 7th, 3 points for 8th, 2 points for 9th, and 1 point for all other places. The top 10 point**

holders in each age division will be invited to attend an invitational tournament held on May 17, 2027, with additional scholarships given. A bowler must have bowled in 4 Delaware Jr Gold Qualifiers to be eligible to participate in the invitational tournament.

14. Bowlers that earn a Jr. Gold spot through a Delaware tournament must contact the Delaware State Association by email (dsusbca@gmail.com) of their intention to participate in the Jr. Gold Championships in Indianapolis, IN by April 1st, 2027. Any bowler who does not participate at the Jr Gold Championships and fails to notify the Delaware State Association may be subject to denial of entry in future tournaments.

15. Any rules not covered will be governed by the USBC rule book.

Money breakdown per bowler:	Lineage	\$30.00
	<u>Scholarships & Expenses</u>	<u>\$45.00</u>
	Entry Total	\$75.00

Bowler Name: _____

Bowler Date of Birth: ____/____/20____

U12: _____ U14: _____ U16: _____ U18: _____

Email: _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone: _____

Membership # _____ - _____

JOG Member: (circle one)

Yes or No

Already Qualified for Junior Gold:

Yes or No

Mail entries with check to: Laura Marino, 24848 Gravel Hill Rd, Millsboro, DE 19966.

Contact Laura with questions/concerns: dsusbca@gmail.com/ 302-593-3652.