2018 OHIO STATE *USBC Junior Gold Tournament Rules*

1. This event is only open to bowlers qualified to bowl in the scratch divisions of the Ohio State USBC Pepsi Youth Championship state finals. Bowlers will be competing for spots in the 2019 USBC Junior Gold Championships in (location TBA) and must be age eligible for those Championships in order to participate in the qualifier.
2. Bowlers must pay before starting to bowl an additional entry fee of $20 for U12, $30 for U15, or $40 for U20 to compete in this event during the Ohio State Pepsi Youth Bowling Championships. All fees collected will be used to help pay entry fees to advance bowlers to the 2019 Junior Gold National Championships. Bowlers must have a current 2018-2019 Junior Gold membership, or they must also pay these dues before bowling: $10 for U12, or $30 for U15/U20.
3. There will be six (6) separate Divisions in this Tournament. The Divisions will be:

• U12 Boys	whose birthdate is 8/1/2006 thru 7/31/08	• U12 Girls
• U15 Boys	whose birthdate is 8/1/2003 thru 7/31/06	• U15 Girls
• U20 Boys	whose birthdate is 8/1/1998 thru 7/31/03	• U20 Girls

   NOTE: Bowlers in the U12 or U15 division may exercise the option to participate in the U15 or U20 division by completing the Championships Opt Out form unless bowler competed in the U12 only or U15 only qualifiers.
4. Scores used for this qualifying event will be the six (6) game state finals scores. Only scratch scores will be used for determining the bowlers qualified to advance to the 2019 USBC Junior Gold Championships. In the event of a tie, the highest game bowled will be used as the tiebreaker; if a tie still exists, then the 2nd highest game bowled will be used. If a tie still exists, then the 3rd highest game bowled will be used.
5. One out of five (1 of 5) bowlers or major fraction thereof in each Division will be awarded a paid entry into the **2019 USBC Junior Gold National Championship Tournament (location & date TBA)**. We will advance an additional player should we have additional entries in excess of 51% of the 1:5 ratio. Once the initial ratio is met and there are additional entries in excess of the 1:5 ratio, the next player in line will have the option to claim that spot by paying any remaining shortfall between the monies collected and the entry fee for the Junior Gold Championships. This option is available only to the next player in line. If that player declines to exercise this option, it ceases at that point and the option is not available to other finishers down the line in the standings.
6. Abuse of equipment, foul or disruptive language, and/or unprofessional behavior by bowlers or spectators are cause for the non-refundable dismissal from participation or attendance at this tournament. All bowling equipment must meet USBC specifications. The use of powder or any foreign substance on shoes, the approach, or on the facility floor or carpet is not permitted. Only participating bowlers and tournament officials are permitted in the bowling area.
7. The Tournament Director and Ohio State USBC Youth – Pepsi Championships Tournament Committee shall determine all matters not covered by these rules and regulations.

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