



2024 OFFICIAL ENTRY

MASSACHUSETTS STATE USBC
YOUTH COMMITTEE

Presents the

21st ANNUAL YOUTH LEADERS DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

Open to all certified ten pin bowlers in Massachusetts who have not reached
their 18th birthday by August 1, 2023

ENTRY FEE \$50.00 (Per team entry) \$25.00 per Bowler
(Lineage \$7.50, Expenses \$8.25, Scholarship \$9.25)

FIVE DIVISIONS BY AVERAGE (Combined Average per Double)
180 & UNDER, 181-240, 241-300, 301-360, and 361+

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 at 10:30am or 1:00PM
Check In Time: 9:30 AM or 12:00 PM

AMF Somerset
231 Riverside Avenue
Somerset, MA 02725
(508) 672-3131



ENTRIES CLOSE DECEMBER 11, 2023

MAIL APPLICATION AND FEE TO:

BETH LABOSSIÈRE
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
86 MARTIN ST
BUZZARDS BAY, MA 02532
508-759-4067

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "MASS STATE USBC" – NO CASH ACCEPTED
NO ENTRY FEES WILL BE RETURNED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE

MASSACHUSETTS USBC YOUTH COMMITTEE TOURNAMENT
Youth Leaders Doubles Tournament—USBC Certified

TOURNAMENT RULES- TO BE RETAINED BY ENTRANT

1. All entrants must be current USBC Certified ten pin youth members from a State of Massachusetts league who have not reached their 18th birthday by August 1, 2023.
2. All rules and regulations of the USBC Youth will govern this tournament.
3. All Youth Bowlers must abide by USBC Youth Code. This means NO foul language or gestures. NO chewing tobacco, NO playing video games and NO electronic devices may be used during squad time and competition. The Tournament Director has the right to disqualify any bowler for failure to comply. Only USBC certified products that meet the youth guidelines can be used.
4. Dress Code: Bowlers must wear a center or league issued shirt, collared shirt, USBC youth jersey, mock collared shirt or USBC apparel, slacks, jeans with no holes worn at the waist. Shorts or skirts/skorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing and their arms are hanging loosely at their sides. There will be no headgear allowed (unless medically necessary with a doctor's note). All bowlers meet the requirements of USBC rule 301b youth. Any bowler found not abiding by the dress code, will be removed from the tournament.
5. Deliberate falsification of average will result in disqualification, forfeiture of all fees and possible suspension from USBC.
6. The Tournament Director will settle all disputes and complaints. All protests must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director or USBC Headquarters within 72 hours of such protested event. The tournament director will consult with the MASS STATE USBC YOUTH COMMITTEE.
7. The entrants whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacement hereby agree that the MASS STATE USBC YOUTH COMMITTEE, its officers and agents, shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through, delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change or premature termination of the tournament which may be brought about by war, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the MASS STATE USBC YOUTH COMMITTEE.
8. The Tournament Director reserves the right to add or delete squads if necessary. Squad dates and times are assigned on a first come first serve basis. The Tournament Director will assign lanes.
9. No one other than the bowlers, scorekeepers or Tournament Officials will be permitted in the bowling area. Bowlers must stay in the bowling area during the match unless permission to leave is given by the scorekeeper or Lane Marshall. NO food or beverage will be allowed in the bowling area. **NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OR ELECTRONICS ALLOWED.**
10. Automatic foul detectors will be used and observed in every event. If there are any questions as to a foul, the Official Scorekeeper and/or Lane Marshall may make a decision otherwise shall contact the Tournament Director who shall be sole judge in a case of a dispute.
11. If within 30 days after the completion of the tournament the winner is disqualified because of an error or any reason, the bowler with the next highest pin fall will be awarded the award.
12. Scholarships will be given based on a ratio of at least 1:10. All scholarships shall be returned 100%.
13. All bowlers will receive a confirmation at least 5 days prior to the tournament. If you do not receive a confirmation 5 days prior, please call the tournament director.
14. Applications will only be accepted if completed in full and accompanied with the proper entry fee. **NO entry fees will be returned after the tournament closing date. All checks are payable to MASS STATE USBC. THERE WILL BE A THIRTY-FIVE DOLLAR (\$35.00) FEE CHARGED ON ALL RETURNED CHECKS.**
15. All matters not covered by these rules will be determined by the Tournament Committee.
16. There will be five minutes practice on each of the starting pair of lanes. Competition begins when the 1st ball is thrown and therefore no surface alterations from that point on will be allowed.
17. A late bowler, or one who leaves during a game, will be given ZERO for each frame missed; tardy bowlers shall begin in the frame then being bowled (no make-up allowed). Entrants must bowl in the order shown on their form. A substitute must bowl in the position of the bowler being replaced. Substitutes must follow the same eligibility rules as the original entrant. No blind scores will be permitted. **NO PACERS WILL BE ALLOWED. THERE WILL BE NO ABSENTEE SCORES ALLOWED. If bringing a replacement, they must register at least 30 minutes prior to squad time** and must be signed by the Program Director, Coach or team representative. If there is no authorized person to make the change, it will be up to the Tournament Director/or his/ her designee to make the change in order to make sure each registered youth bowler that has showed up has the opportunity to bowl. Any award won by the

replacement is the property of the replacement. **A replacement is official at squad time. The Mass State Youth Committee is not responsible for finding subs.**

18. **ENTRIES CLOSE** – DECEMBER 11, 2023.
19. **Handicap** for each event will be computed at 90% of the difference between the bowler's average and 220 for all entrants based on a 3 game series.
20. **Format:** Total pin fall of 3 games and handicap. If there is a tie for positions being awarded, the positions will be combined and the awards will be split equally.
21. **Entering Average** will be one of the following:
 - a. Entrants will use their previous seasons highest USBC sanctioned average of at least 12 games.
 - b. If entrant doesn't have a previous season's average, then their highest sanctioned current average for a minimum of 12 games as of entry close date of may be used. (Must be verified prior to the tournament)
 - c. Challenge and Sport averages will be converted using the USBC conversion table.
 - d. All others will bowl Scratch
22. Scholarships will be awarded per team based on a minimum of 10 entries per division. There will be FIVE divisions. 180 & under, 181-240, 241-300, 301-360, and 361+. If there are fewer than 10 entries in a division, then divisions will be combined.
23. **Scholarships will be held in the SMART FUND program at the USBC Headquarters.**
24. Multiple entries will be allowed but can only place once with the same partner.
25. **All Doubles partners must check-in together.**

**WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF THE ENTRY WILL BE EITHER MAILED OR
E-MAILED, AFTER CLOSING DATE.**

**Tournament Date:
Sunday, January 7, 2024 at 10:30AM or 1:00 PM
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**MAIL ENTRY FORM ALONG WITH THE ENTRY FEE
(Checks Payable to Mass State USBC)**

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Tournament Director
86 Martin St
Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
508-759-4067

MASSACHUSETTS STATE USBC YOUTH COMMITTEE TOURNAMENT

Youth Leader Doubles Tournament Application– USBC Certified

******All sections must be completed or application will be returned******

Please indicate WHICH BOWLER will be team captain

Bowler # 1 E-MAIL address

Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Birthdate: _____

Current Grade: _____ **High School Graduation Year:** _____ **(REQUIRED)** USBC Number: _____

Center: _____ Average _____ **Do you bowl in a Challenge or Sport League? Yes or No**
(If so, circle ONE)

****BOWLER or PARENT #1 Signature** _____

Bowler # 2 E-MAIL address

Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Birthdate: _____

Current Grade: _____ **High School Graduation Year:** _____ **(REQUIRED)** USBC Number: _____

Center: _____ Average _____ **Do you bowl in a Challenge or Sport League? Yes or No**
(If so, circle ONE)

****BOWLER or PARENT #2 Signature** _____

COMBINED AVERAGE FOR DIVISION (Check one)

180 & under _____ 181-240 _____ 241-300 _____ 301-360 _____ 361+ _____

Squad Choice: 10:30 AM _____ 1:00 PM _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO “MASS STATE USBC”

No Entry Fees Will Be Returned After the Closing Date

There will be a \$35.00 charge for returned checks.

Entries Close: December 11, 2023

Cost per Bowler \$ 25.00 (\$50.00 per TEAM)

Mail to:

Beth Labossiere

Includes:

Tournament Director

Lineage: \$ 7.50

86 Martin Street

Expenses: \$ 8.25

Buzzards Bay, MA 02532

Scholarship: \$ 9.25

****COACH verification of average Signature** _____

****Your signatures acknowledge you have read and will abide by the rules. ***If there is no average as of 12/11/23, please attach average sheet with average of at least 12 games by entry close date ****