

Greater Seattle USBC Youth All Star Rules 2009

Six young women and six young men will be selected based on bowling achievement, leadership involvement, and tournament competition to represent the youth bowlers of the Greater Seattle USBC Youth in organized events and as members in the Youth Leaders organization. This selection will allow Greater Seattle USBC to honor and showcase its outstanding members. Good sportsmanship and personal commitment for the next bowling season will be of the utmost importance in the selection.

1. Qualification

- a) You **must** be an active member of two certified leagues as conducted by USBC.
- b) You **must** be a member in good standing of the Greater Seattle USBC Youth.
- c) It is not necessary for you to be attending school. If you are of high school age you must be enrolled in school or approved alternative.
- d) Averages:
 - i) You **must** have a minimum of 2 USBC certified league averages at either 2 different bowling centers and/or travel leagues. Leagues that use a first and second half format will be considered separate leagues if they are certified separately, otherwise they will be considered one league and the average will be a composite average. (Averages from certified Sport Leagues will be adjusted by USBC formula)
 - ii) You **must** list all USBC certified leagues that you bowl.
 - iii) At least one of the leagues bowled **must** be within the boundaries of the Greater Seattle USBC which is defined as follows: Majestic to the North, Kent to the South, Puget Sound on the West, and Mount Si on the East. Travel leagues **must** bowl at least one session within these boundaries to be considered.

2. All Star competition is a team event. All Star team members will be required to attend team meetings, mandatory practice sessions, and scheduled matches. You cannot be a member of any other association All Star team. There will be Seattle/Tacoma matches in May as well as the Extravaganza in June. **By submitting the application, you (the applicant) agree to make these attendance requirements a priority and to be available to compete, if selected.**

3. Selection to the Greater Seattle USBC Youth All Star Teams will be based the rank of participating bowlers derived from the following formula of **Rank = Base Entering average +Involvement Points +Tournament points**. The top six girls and top six boys will make their respective teams.

4. Base Entering Average (BEA)

Your two highest averages with a minimum of 21 games as of March 2nd will be used to calculate your "base entering average". The BEA will be calculated by adding your total pins (as of March 2 with a minimum of 21 games bowled) from your two highest average certified leagues (at least one of these leagues must be certified through Greater Seattle USBC) and dividing by the total games bowled in both leagues. This is your base entering average. All averages must be verified by a coach and league standing sheets **must** be attached.

5. Involvement Points

a. League Participation (maximum 4 points)

- i. One point will be added for each league over two that the bowler participates in. To qualify the league must be USBC certified and the bowler must have bowled a minimum of 21 games as of March 2nd.

b. Volunteer Activities (Maximum 4 points)

- i. One point will be added if the bowler attended the annual GSUSBC youth leader meeting.
- ii. One point will be added if the bowler attended a GSUSBC youth meeting.
- iii. Up to two points will be added, one for each activity the bowler assists in running. Eligible activities include the GSUSBC City Tournament and the Monthly King of the Hill Tournaments.

c. Tournament Participation (Maximum 4 points)

- i. One point will be added for bowler participation in each qualified tournament. The qualified tournaments are the GSUSBC City Tournament, Pepsi Tournament (Center or Sectional) and State tournament.

d. Sportsmanship (Maximum 2 points)

Up to two points will be added for the bowler's sportsmanship during the 2008-2009 season. These points will be awarded based on the coach's recommendation and recommendations of the All-Star committee members.

e. All Star Participation (Maximum 4 points)

One point will be awarded for each previous year that the participated and successfully completed the GSUSBC All Star process (points are awarded for participation whether you made the team or not).

6. Tournament Points (Maximum 32 points)

- i. The top 16 applicants for each team (male and female) will be seeded into a scratch tournament based on your Tournament Entering Average (TEA) which is the sum of your base entering average and involvement points:
 1. One day event on April 4th at Imperial Lanes
 2. 8 game Swiss format
 3. Junior Gold qualifying event.

- ii. Participants must be member of the USBC Junior Gold program (If they meet the average requirement) or pay membership fee of \$35.00 at the tournament.
- iii. Each bowler will receive 30 bonus pins for each matchplay win or 15 points for a tie.
- iv. Bowler competing against a vacancy must bowl within 20 points of composite all-star tournament entering average.
- v. Total pins and any bonus pins awarded will determine final tournament ranking.
- vi. Tournament points will be awarded by the following schedule:

1 st – 32 pts	5 th – 24 pts	9 th – 16 pts	13 th – 8 pts
2 nd – 30 pts	6 th – 22 pts	10 th – 14 pts	14 th – 6 pts
3 rd – 28 pts	7 th – 20 pts	11 th – 12 pts	15 th – 4 pts
4 th – 26 pts	8 th – 18 pts	12 th – 10 pts	16 th – 2 pts

- vii. If you are not able to bowl in the tournament, you will receive 0 Tournament points.
- viii. The **tournament entry fee of \$35.00** will be used to pay lineage, defray All Star expenses and award two paid entries into the National Junior Gold Tournament.

Entry fee must be paid to GSUSBC by April 4th to reserve spot in tournament. GSUSBC reserves the right to offer the spot to the next applicant on the list after this deadline.

- 7. All of the points accumulated from the Tournament, Involvement, and Average will determine the top six applicants (male and female) to be selected to the teams **if they can participate in all scheduled events**. Otherwise the next place finisher who can commit to all events will be selected instead of the team. The sixth place finisher is designated as the alternate. All Stars will participate in the Youth Leaders program the following season in some capacity.
- 8. A paid entry to the 2009 Junior Gold Tournament will be awarded to the top girl and top boy finisher based on total pins for the 8 games (bonus pins do not count) in the tournament.
- 9. The application form, along with your coach's letter of recommendation, and a copy of your individual record sheet and/or current standing sheet **must be postmarked no later than March 16th**. Mailings should be sent to the following address: **GSYABA All Star Committee, 31401 32nd Ave. SW, Federal Way, WA, 98023**.
- 10. Application forms must be filled in completely and correctly. Points will be deducted for incomplete applications.
- 11. You will be required to conduct yourselves as ladies and gentlemen at all matches and team gathering with strict adherence to acceptable bowling etiquette, All Star Tournament rules and all USBC rules.
- 12. Anyone who fails to comply with the All-Star contract will be penalized the next year they apply. Five points will be deducted from their Tournament Entering Average.

FAILURE TO COMPLY with All Star Rules, Team Obligations, and/or USBC Rules may result in removal from the All Star Team and/or suspension from USBC.

What happens if you are selected to be an All Star?

- ☺ There will be a mandatory meeting of all selected All Stars to review rules, order shirts, schedule practice sessions & fundraising activities, and receive other necessary information.
- ☺ There will be practice sessions (some mandatory) scheduled at various bowling centers in the GSUSBC area.
- ☺ You will become a Youth Leader of the association and provide valuable input into the administration of programs.

If you have any questions, please call a member of the All Star committee:

Jeff Weier (253) 838-8116

DETACH THESE RULES FROM YOUR APPLICATION AND KEEP FOR YOUR INFORMATION.