



ADULT-YOUTH TEAM TOURNAMENT

HANDICAP WITH SCRATCH OPTION

(Tournament Certification # 09050)

Date: Sunday, March 15, 2026

Squad Times: 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM

Location: Yorktown Lanes (#10125)
6218 Pearl Road
Parma Heights, Ohio 44130
440-886-5300

Entry Fee: \$120.00 per team (\$30.00/ bowler)
\$60.00 per Special Olympics team
(\$15.00 per Special Olympics bowler)

Scratch Option: \$24.00/team (\$6.00 per bowler)

Reserved Entry Deadline: Wednesday, March 4, 2026

1. **YOUTH:** Participation in COUSBC youth tournaments requires that the youth bowler hold a 2025-2026 USBC youth membership card. Bowler membership will be verified on www.bowl.com.

ADULT: The adult bowler must hold a 2025-2026 USBC adult membership card and be a current member of the Cleveland Ohio USBC Association. Non-members may enter by purchasing a membership (\$28.00) or paying local association membership dues (\$11.00) if they are a member of another association. Applicable membership dues should be submitted with the entry form. Bowler certification will be verified on www.bowl.com.

NOTE: This is a USBC-certified tournament; therefore, **the foul rule will be enforced for all divisions**. A foul occurs when a part of the player's body encroaches on or goes beyond the foul line and touches any part of the lane, equipment or building during or after delivery. A ball is in play after a delivery until the same or another player is on the approach in position to make a succeeding delivery. A legal delivery (when the ball leaves the player's possession and crosses the foul line into playing territory) must be executed for a foul to be committed.

2. This is a **HANDICAP** tournament with an **optional SCRATCH division (additional fee of \$6.00 per bowler/\$24.00 per team; all team members must enter to be eligible for the scratch option)**. Handicap is 90% of 880 based on three (3) games. Each bowler will bowl three (3) games league style with the exception of the Bumper division. In the Bumper division, the youth bowlers will bowl on the odd lane and the adult bowlers will bowl on the even lane for all three (3) games. Bowlers will use their same scores for both the handicap and scratch option.
3. Each team will consist of two (2) youth bowlers and two (2) adult bowlers (18 years of age or older prior to August 1, 2025). **Bowlers may bowl twice BUT not on the same team; two (2) bowlers must be changed for the second entry. Bowlers may compete in the same division if they choose to bowl both squads.**
4. Divisions are determined by team average and youth gender. **Bumpers and Special Olympics will have one division respectively. Substitutes are permitted.** NOTE: The tournament manager reserves the right to combine Girls and Mixed teams into one division if there are less than three teams in their respective division.

700 & Above	A Girls (2 Girls)	A Boys (2 Boys)	A Mixed (1 girl / 1 boy)
551 – 699	AA Girls (2 Girls)	AA Boys (2 Boys)	AA Mixed (1 girl / 1 boy)
550 & Below	AAA Girls (2 Girls)	AAA Boys (2 Boys)	AAA Mixed (1 girl / 1 boy)
5. **Youth:** Youth will use their highest 2024-2025 USBC certified average for 12 games or more. If a bowler does not have an average from that season, they will use their current 2025-2026 USBC certified average (minimum of 12 games) as of February 27, 2026. If the bowler has neither of these averages, he/she will bowl scratch using 220 as the average.

Adult: Highest 2023-2024 or 2024-2025 USBC certified average for 21 games or more. If a bowler does not have either of these averages and is bowling in a league for the 2025-2026 season, they can use their **current USBC certified league average** (21 games or more) as of February 27, 2026 but **must**

submit a league standing sheet with the entry form. If a bowler does not meet the stated average requirements, he/she will bowl scratch using 220 as the average.

Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own average, whether submitted by the bowler, the team captain or other. If the submitted average is lower than reported, the average will be corrected and the team will be placed in the correct division with no penalty.

6. Entry fee is \$120.00 per team (\$30.00 per bowler) and an additional \$24.00 per team (\$6.00 per bowler and all members must enter) for the scratch option. Special Olympics entry fee is \$60.00 per team (\$15.00 per bowler). Below is the breakdown of entry fees:

	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Scratch Option</u>	<u>Special Olympics</u>
Lineage (\$4.00/game)	\$ 48.00		\$48.00
Scholarship	\$ 60.00	\$20.00	
Awards / Expenses	\$ 12.00	\$ 4.00	\$12.00
	\$120.00	\$24.00	\$60.00

7. **All entries must be filled out completely on the official entry form** and submitted with full payment along with applicable standing sheet as of February 27, 2026 showing bowler's full name, number of games, total pins and average. Check or money order should be payable to Cleveland Ohio USBC (COUSBC). Reserved entries mailed to the COUSBC office (14950 Snow Road, Suite 100, ATTN: Youth Department, Brook Park, Ohio 44142) should be postmarked by Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

8. Walk-ins will be accepted 30 minutes prior to each squad based on lane availability (8:00 AM – 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM).

9. Awards will be given in each division at a ratio of at least 1 in 5 entries or major fraction thereof. All award fees will be returned 100% in the form of an award.

10. Scholarship money will be awarded in each division at a ratio of at least 1 in 5 entries or major fraction thereof. 100% of all scholarship funds collected from entry fees and additional scholarship resources will be deposited into the bowler's USBC SMART Program (Account #10843) for management and disbursement. No cash awards will be given to any bowler. Bowlers can confirm the deposit of scholarship awards by visiting their SMART account statement at www.bowl.com.

11. All bowlers are expected to be appropriately attired in sleeved shirts. Shorts/skorts are permitted; however, length of skirts, dresses, skorts or shorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing and their arms are hanging down at their side. Length MUST be long enough to not see your bottom area (even if covered by under shorts) at any time, standing or bent over. Apparel with reference to tobacco, alcohol and drugs is prohibited.

The use of non-medical headgear (hats) and/or artificial devices (headphones, AirPods, etc.) to listen to music or a broadcast is prohibited during competition. Bowlers will receive a verbal warning for the first offense; a second offense could lead to disqualification from the event.

Bowlers are responsible for their own conduct during tournament competition. Abuse of equipment and foul or disruptive language/behavior by bowlers or spectators is prohibited. Apparel and behavior violations may result in the non-refundable dismissal from participation or attendance at the tournament. The decision of the tournament director is final. One lane courtesy will be observed by bowlers and enforced throughout the tournament.

12. Bowling equipment must meet USBC specifications. No balance holes will be permitted. All holes drilled must be used for gripping purposes on every delivery. NOTE: House balls are exempt from this rule. The use of any powder or foreign substance on shoes, on the approach, on the facility floor, on the carpet, or on a bowling towel is not allowed. **Use of all liquids, sprays and sanding pads must be done prior to the first ball of tournament competition.** NOTE: Any cleaner that is used prior to the start of competition must be approved by USBC (refer to the "Approved Cleaners" list in the Equipment Specifications manual on www.bowl.com) and in its original container which displays the USBC Approved Before/After logo. **Once competition has begun, the outer surface of the bowling ball may only be cleaned with a dry towel (USBC Rule 18). (Competition starts once any bowler throws a ball for score in the tournament.)** If a bowler is seen altering a ball surface during the tournament, the ball will be disqualified for the remainder of the squad as soon as this is discovered. If the bowler incurs a second equipment offense, the bowler will be disqualified from the current event with NO refund of entry fee. NOTE: Should a foreign substance appear on the outer surface of a bowling ball which cannot be removed with a dry towel, an approved cleaner may be used with consent from the tournament manager.

13. If a lane malfunction occurs during tournament competition that requires participants to be moved to a new pair of lanes, the participants will start their tournament competition from the point of interruption with no practice/shadow balls on the new lanes. NOTE: The tournament director / official may authorize participants on the pair to practice prior to resuming the game/series.

14. The entrant, by signing his/her name, hereby agrees that the COUSBC, its officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning the entry fee if and when this entrant shall be prevented from bowling in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought on by war, national emergency or emergencies caused by unexpected weather conditions or causes relating thereto or resulting therefrom fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or causes beyond the control of the COUSBC.

15. Decisions of the tournament director are final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329 and is filed within 72 hours of the infraction and/or decision.

16. **Illness Precautions:** If you are feeling sick, have a fever over 100 degrees or have come in contact with someone who has had a confirmed case of COVID within the last 14 days leading up to this tournament, please contact the COUSBC Office to withdraw from the event. You will receive a full refund.

17. All participants agree to allow his/her name and likeness to be used on social media in regard to this event.

18. Questions should be directed to the COUSBC office (216-898-9115).



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*** OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM. PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION CLEARLY AND COMPLETE ENTRY IN FULL. ***

Home Center: _____

Line Up	Full Name USBC # Date of Birth	Gender <u>Youth</u> (Boy/Girl) ***** <u>Adult</u>	Complete Address, Telephone # & E-Mail Address	YOUTH AVERAGE Highest 24-25 (12 game minimum) or Current Average (if no 24-25 average)	ADULT AVERAGE Highest 23-24 & 24-25 (21 game minimum) or Current Average (if no 23-24 or 24-25 averages)
1.	Name	<u>Circle One</u>	Address (Street Name, City, Zip Code)	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games	Highest 23-24 Average & # of Games
	USBC #	Youth Boy	Telephone Number	/	/
	Date of Birth	Youth Girl	E-Mail Address	Highest Current Average & # of Games	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games
		Adult		/	/
2.	Name	<u>Circle One</u>	Address (Street Name, City, Zip Code)	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games	Highest 23-24 Average & # of Games
	USBC #	Youth Boy	Telephone Number	/	/
	Date of Birth	Youth Girl	E-Mail Address	Highest Current Average & # of Games	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games
		Adult		/	/
3.	Name	<u>Circle One</u>	Address (Street Name, City, Zip Code)	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games	Highest 23-24 Average & # of Games
	USBC #	Youth Boy	Telephone Number	/	/
	Date of Birth	Youth Girl	E-Mail Address	Highest Current Average & # of Games	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games
		Adult		/	/
4.	Name	<u>Circle One</u>	Address (Street Name, City, Zip Code)	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games	Highest 23-24 Average & # of Games
	USBC #	Youth Boy	Telephone Number	/	/
	Date of Birth	Youth Girl	E-Mail Address	Highest Current Average & # of Games	Highest 24-25 Average & # of Games
		Adult		/	/

SQUAD TIME (Circle one): 9:00 AM 12:00 PM

DIVISION (Circle one): 700 & Above A GIRLS (2 Girls) A BOYS (2 Boys) A MIXED (1 girl / 1 boy)
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BUMPERS SPECIAL OLYMPICS

SCRATCH OPTION: Yes / No (Circle one)

Mail check or money order payable to Cleveland Ohio USBC (COUSBC) along with standing sheet as of February 21, 2026 to COUSBC, 14950 Snow Road, Suite 100, ATTN: Youth Department, Brook Park, Ohio 44142 by Wednesday, March 4, 2026 reserved entry deadline. Questions should be directed to the COUSBC office (216-898-9115). Thank you for your participation in this tournament!

For Office Use Only:	AMOUNT PAID	SCRATCH OPTION	DIVISION	VERIFIED BY
DATE PAID _____ CH / MO / CASH	\$ _____	Yes / No _____	_____	_____