



United States Bowling Congress

## SDUSBC YOUTH BANNER TOURNAMENT RULES A Monthly "Team Event" Tournament 2014-2015 SEASON USBC Certification

All rules covered in this section pertain to the regular monthly SDUSBC YOUTH Banner Tournaments bowled October 2014 – June 2015, with exception of the Youth/Adult tournaments held in December/April

In addition to the SDUSBC Banner Tournament, you will be participating in a chance to bowl in the end of the season scholarship tournament. To be eligible for the scholarship tournament a bowler must have bowled in four SDUSBC Banner Tournaments. See Rule 23.

SDUSBC YOUTH Banner Tournaments Schedule: **ENTRIES MUST BE SENT TO BANNER CHAIRMAN ONE WEEK PRIOR TO SCHEDULED MONTHLY TOURNAMENT.**

October 18, 2014	1:00PM	<b>Admiral Robinson Center:</b> (Limited to 30 Teams)
* November 15, 2014		<b>Brunswick Lanes: <u>City Team Event 1p.m. Dbls/Sgls Sunday Kearny Mesa + (Banner)</u></b>
December 13, 2014	1:00PM	<b>Mira Mesa Lanes: Youth/Adult</b> (Limited to 44 Teams)
January 17, 2015	1:00PM	<b>Parkway Bowl:</b> (Limited to 40 Teams)
February 21, 2015	1:00PM	<b>Sea N Air Lanes</b>
March, 2015		<b>PEPSI TOURNAMENT</b>
April 18, 2015	1:00PM	<b>Kearny Mesa Bowl Youth/Adult</b> (Limited to 38 Teams)
May 16, 2015	1:00PM	<b>Mira Mesa Lanes</b> (Limited to 44 Teams)
June 20, 2015	1:00 PM	<b>Parkway Bowl /Scholarship Tournament</b> (Limited to 40 Teams)

- 1) **ELIGIBILITY:** Open to all certified youth male and female through San Diego USBC, currently bowling in a league and in good standing with USBC. Current USBC membership card is required at all tournaments and must be presented upon request. (No cards will be sold on site.)
  - a) Have **NEVER** bowled in any tournament or league where cash is offered as a prize to youth. All youth participants must abide by USBC Rule 400.
  - b) Entry to military bases will require driver's license and vehicle information for admittance.
- 2) **ENTERING AVERAGE:** Verification of average must be submitted at time of check in. Entering average will be (1) Banner Tournament average, (2) current average of 4 games or more, If bowler has more than one youth league average, the highest youth league average will be used. (3) San Diego USBC highest Book average. (4) if no book, use current summer average. (5) If none of the above, bowler will bowl scratch in accordance with Rule 319b. VERIFICATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL OTHER AVERAGES: The SDUSBC reserves the right to re-rate any bowler prior to commencement of the tournament, if the re-rated average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded (rule 319b)
- 3) **HANDICAP:** Handicaps will be computed using 90% of 800 4-team/1000 5-team. The teams **over** 700 will bowl **scratch** unless bowling a team whose average is **under** 700. Youth/Adult Tournament, teams over 850 will bowl scratch.
- 4) **TEAMS:** Teams may consist of any mixture of four/five youth members. Partial teams are accepted and will use a vacancy score for the missing bowler (s), (max two vacancy scores per team). Handicap is based on the team's average. Each team will be matched up with a team with nearly the same total average as possible.
  - a. Vacancy will be 120 /handicap 72. USBC Rule 105-2 league rule section will apply.
- 5) **ENTRY FEE:** The entry fee is **\$11.00** per bowler. Lineage: **\$7.50/ \$3.50** going to the Scholarship fund for the June Scholarship Tournament. Entry fees to be paid by each participant to his/her coach. **NO-CHECKS ACCEPTED - FEES MUST BE PAID IN CASH.** Fees from the Banner Tournaments will be banked monthly. The coach will then pay for all of their teams as a whole at the check-in table and present a BANNER for each team entered. In the absence of a Banner a **\$5.00 deposit** per missing banner will be collected. The deposit will be refunded at next Banner Tournament when replaced with a banner. If banner is not received, the \$5.00 will go into the Scholarship fund and a SDUSBC banner awarded in its place. .
- 6) **DECEMBER/April YOUTH/ADULT TOURNAMENTS:** Teams will consist of one Adult and four Youth bowlers (no vacancy scores to take place of adult bowler, but may for youth bowler, minimum one youth vacancy score to be used). Adult bowler must be a SDUSBC member in good standing using their (1) highest USBC league current average based on 21 games or more, (2) 2013-2014 book average, if none, (3) 2014 summer average, or (4) bowl scratch. Awards do not apply to the adult bowler. Adult will bowl anchor. Sport averages will be accepted and re-rated.
- 7) **ENTRY CHECK-IN: WILL BEGIN ONE HOUR PRIOR TO START OF EACH TOURNAMENT.**  
The Host Center teams will bowl for a SDUSBC Banner if there is a vacant team.
- 8) **SUBSTITUTIONS:** Substitutions will be made with the approval of the Tournament Director and must meet ALL eligibility requirements and bowl in the position of the bowler being replaced, **the order may not be changed.** Substitutes are the

responsibility of the submitting coach/center. All substitutes or replacements **MUST PRESENT VERIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP AND AVERAGE**. Substitute team average may not be more than 50 pins to replace the dropped team.

- 9) **COMPETITION:** Will bowl (3) games. Bowlers shall receive ten (10) minutes of practice prior to the event.
- 10) **Tardy bowlers:** shall receive a zero for each frame missed.
- 11) **MONITORS:** Only appointed monitors are permitted in the Bowlers Area. Monitors are responsible for verifying scores and recap sheets at the completion of each game, before scores are cleared for that game. Only monitors or tournament officials may make corrections or authorize corrections to be made. Score monitors are responsible for returning completed recap sheets to the tournament director.
- 12) **AUTHORITY OF COACHES:** Any approved coach has the right to stop play on a pair of lanes for any infraction of the rules. Approved Coaches must wear coach's shirt and RVP Badge.
- 13) **COACHING:** Absolutely no **UNSOLICITED** coaching will be allowed during tournament play by either coaches or parents.
- 14) **ATTIRE:** APPROPRIATE attire includes collared shirts or USBC Youth jersey. The following shall be considered INAPPROPRIATE Attire for the SDUSBC Youth Banner Tournament: cut-off or cut-up pants of any type. Short shorts, half shirts, tank tops, muscle shirts, tube tops, sagging pants, strapless or halter tops, caps, hats or visors. Any attire or equipment promoting alcohol or tobacco products or sexually suggestive material or containing profanity will not be allowed. Walking shorts, "skorts and skirts" cannot be more than 3-1/2" above the knee. Bowlers not conforming to dress code will not be allowed to bowl in the event. The tournament director will make final decision on any questionable attire. A sample of dress code will be displayed at the check-in desk.
- 15) **AWARDS:** Banners will be awarded to each winning team by the opposing team. Banners shall be presented after recaps have been verified by tournament Officials, either at the completion of bowling or at the next Banner Tournament. In case of a tie, the teams shall exchange banners. UNOPPOSED TEAMS shall be awarded a SDUSBC Banner *if* they bowl within 120 pins (4 youth) 150 pins (5 youth) of their team average for the three game series. The Tournament Official shall keep account of all awards earned. These awards shall be given to the coaches at the next Banner Tournament.
- 16) **BANNERS:** Banners are made of FELT and shall be 12 inches by 24 inches forming a triangle. Each banner must include the name of the bowling establishment being represented. NO GLITTER OR SEQUINS will be allowed on the banners (gelled glitter decorator pens are exempt, but must be approved by the Tournament Official).
- 17) **DURING BOWLING THE FOLLOW IS PROHIBITED:**
- No smoking during the tournament.
  - Food & beverages** will be permitted during the tournament, but must be kept out of the bowling area.
  - No gum chewing permitted in bowlers' area.
  - No alcoholic beverages permitted in the bowling area or by youth bowlers.
  - ANY DISPLAY OF FOUL LANGUAGE OR ABUSING EQUIPMENT** will result in
    - warning,
    - disqualification, subject to the discretion of the tournament director.

**Please behave as young professionals.**
  - No display of anger or discontent through the use of language or gestures.
  - No playing of arcade games or electronic equipment (i.e. I-Pods, cell phones, no text messaging) during the tournament.
- 18) **FOULS:** Foul lights found to be malfunctioning may be turned off and it is up to the bowlers on the pair to monitor.
- 19) **PROTEST & APPEALS:** See USBC RULE Book # 329. Protest/Appeal must be filed within 72 hours from the infraction for the Youth Tournament.
- 20) **BOWLERS RESPONSIBILITY:** Entry into any event constitutes acceptance of and adherence to all USBC rules.
- 21) **EVENT CHANGE/CANCELLATION:** In the event of a change or cancellation to the tournament the coach of your Center will be notified of the new time and date for the event.
- 22) **SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT:** Is a singles tournament with format as follows: **12 and under** will bowl 3 games first round, 2 games semi-finals round, step ladder format to determine the winners. **13 and over** will bowl 4 games first round, 3 games for semi-final round, step ladder format to determine the winners. **Entry Fee will be \$20.00.** Entry fees to be paid by each participant to his/her coach. **NO-CHECKS ACCEPTED - FEES MUST BE PAID IN CASH.** The coach will then pay for all of their teams as a whole at the check-in table
- 23) **OTHER RULES:** All rules not specifically covered will follow the rules in Chapters 6 of the USBC Tournament Rule Book as well as the rules adopted by tournament management. Management strongly urges bowlers' to notify the tournament director with any problems that may occur during the tournament.

**ANY INFRACTION OF THESE RULES MAY BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION IN THESE EVENTS**

**Tournament Committee:** Lynn Graves, Don Way, Mike Carpenter, Tim Giedd, Debbie Fulbright, Tony Hogan, Dan Starkey  
**Youth Members:** Hunter Brown, Megan Carpenter & Amiko Chapman