CENTRAL REGIONAL JUNIOR TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

(Read these Rules and Regulations carefully)

FAILURE TO READ IS NO EXCUSE

Members of the National Bowling Association Junior Program and United States Bowling Congress under the direction of the Central Regional or groups are eligible to enter this tournament. This tournament is governed by the National Bowling Association (TNBA) and United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

 <u>CERTIFICATION CARDS</u>- Every Jr. Bowler that is bowling in the tournament must have a TNBA and USBC certification card. These cards will not be available for purchase on site and must be secured prior to the processing of the tournament entries. If you need a TNBA card or additional information, you are to contact Anthony Mitchell, TNBA Junior Program Director. His mailing address is P O Box 531166, Cincinnati, OH 45253. His telephone number is (513) 400-3816. The cost of a TNBA card is \$15.00. If you need USBC information, please contact your local USBC office.

2. Bowlers of different age divisions may bowl together as a team.

- a. Teams must consist of 4 bowlers, and may be all boys, all girls, or mixed.
- b. Each bowler may enter each event ONLY ONCE, unless bowling handicap and scratch optional crossover doubles.

c. Bowlers must bowl in the order listed on the entry. Entire line-ups cannot be changed nor can bowlers be transferred from one team to another unless a complete team is being dissolved.

d. Membership is open to youth who have not yet reached their 18th birthday as of August 1st of the current season.

- 3. Entrants must use their highest league average based on a minimum of 21 games.
 - a. A participant who has not bowled the required minimum games will bowl scratch.
 - b. Scratch is defined as follows:

Ages	Scratch	Ages	Scratch
Seniors (15-18)	210	Bantams (9-11)	160
Juniors (12-14)	190	Bantams (8 & under)	130

c. Handicap will be based on 100% of difference in team total and scratch within classes as follows:

Team Event		Optional Doubles Event		Singles Event		
Class	Team	Scratch	Team	Scratch	Average	Scratch
1	700 & over	840	350 & over	420	175 & over	210
2	699 – 600	800	349 - 300	400	174 – 150	200
3	599 – 440	720	299 – 220	360	149 – 110	180
4	439 – 237	560	219 – 120	280	109 - 60	140
5	236 & under	400	119 & under	200	59 & under	100

- 4. LEAGUE STANDING SHEETS MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES. AVERAGES AS OF FEBRUARY 17TH OF THE CURRENT SEASON WILL BE USED.
 - SPORTS AVERAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED if it is the only league that the bowler bowls. Such must be noted
 on the entry and the average will be adjusted according to the Sport League Average Adjustment Chart from
 USBC.
 - Coaches are responsible for adjusting sport averages and providing the adjusted average on the entry form.
 - Coaches are to submit a copy of USBC CERTIFICATION LIST from USBC site.
 - Coaches are to submit the signed parent permission form for each bowler.
- 5. Bowlers will bowl three (3) games on one pair of lanes for each event. Bowlers will bowl in the same order listed on entry form.
 - Bowlers cannot enter into Scratch Singles without being in Handicap Singles. Handicap Singles scores will be used for Scratch Singles.
 - > Bowlers cannot bowl Optional Doubles without bowling Singles.
 - > Singles scores will be used as the Doubles score.
- 6. Substitutes will be allowed. Reclassifications may be in order due to the use of a substitute.
 - a. Substitutes must be listed on a league standing sheet.
 - b. Once a substitute starts to bowl, he/she must complete all three (3) games.
 - c. All substitution changes must be completed one (1) hour prior to squad start time.

- Coaches/Team Captains with no substitution changes should check in at least thirty (30) minutes prior to squad start time.
 a. Proof of certification (TNBA & USBC cards) must be provided prior to bowling.
 - b. Tardy bowlers must begin the event in the frame being bowled. All missed frames will receive zero (0).
 - c. No blind scores shall be allowed.
- 8. One award per ten (10) entries per event per class will be awarded. In case of ties the award will be given to the highest actual pin fall. In the event of a championship tie the winner will be determined by the greatest total of actual pin fall. Award fees will be returned 100%.
- 9. Bowlers may only wear Dockers or School Uniform attire that is made of a khaki type material. Skirts or capris/shorts must be of the same khaki type material and can only be 2 inches above the knees. NO STRETCH, SPANDEX OR DENIM MATERIAL. The colors worn may be khaki, blue, black or gray. Only bowling shirts or polo shirts may be worn. Mock neck bowling shirts are acceptable. All shirts must have TNBA or CRJT on them. No head gear, electronic or telephone equipment of any kind maybe worn during tournament play. Clothing with inappropriate language IS NOT allowed during tournament play. Failure to adhere to the dress code could result in disqualification and the bowler will be required to leave the lanes.
- 10. Bowlers must stay in the settee area while bowling, unless excused by scorekeeper or tournament official.
 - a. Any junior bowler smoking during tournament play will be disqualified.
 - b. There will be no food or drinks in the settee area.
 - c. No coaching allowed in the bowling settee area. Parents/Coaches must remain in the spectator's area.
- 11. Violation of any rules or falsification on any entry will result in automatic disqualification of the team, with **NO** refund of entry fee.
- 12. The tournament Committee reserves all rights. All decisions they render are final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329 (Protest & Appeals).
- 13. Coaches are responsible for all TNBA and USBC award applications.
- 14. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AT TOURNAMENT SITE. No entry fee money will be returned for any reason after the closing date. If an entry is received after the deadline, a late fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) must be paid prior to the entries being processed.
- 15. ABSOLUTELY NO OUTSIDE FOOD AND/OR DRINK WILL BE ALLOWED INTO THE BOWLING CENTER.

INFORMATION FOR COACHES

BE SURE:

- to put your name, complete address, phone number, and email address (if available) on each entry form. Please print legible or type.
- to mark your desired date(s) & time(s) to bowl (including second choice).
- to remember ENTRIES WILL BE SCHEDULED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.
- all team entries have team names and captains listed.
- to submit the bowler's full legal name, average as 2-17-24, sex, birth date, age as of 8-01-23, TNBA & USBC certification numbers, and signed permission form for each bowler. Also submit the league standing sheet and USBC list with your entries.
- that all names are legible and correct (<u>no nicknames</u>). You know your bowlers, the Tournament Director does not.
- to notify the Tournament Director of any changes as soon as possible. This will speed up check-in as well as allow time to make corrections and/or adjustments.
- that **bowlers** and **parents** are aware of dress code and tournament rules.
- to keep a copy of entries for your records.
- that the total (correct amount) entry fee accompanies the entry form, and all certified checks and money orders are made payable to: TNBA Central Regional Junior Tournament Fund. Do not remit cash. NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Tournament Director Information:	
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The National Bowling Association and United States Bowling Congress will govern all bowling.

REMEMBER: NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AT TOURNAMENT SITE. Entries postmarked/received after March 2, 2024 (ENTRY DEADLINE) is subject to the decision of the Tournament Director. Entries accepted after the entry deadline will be charged a late fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and must be paid before the entries are processed. Incomplete entries will not be processed. If you submit an incomplete entry, you have until the entry deadline to make the entry acceptable. Failure to pay full entry fees constitutes an incomplete entry. Tournament Director reserves the right to return any entries.