



**\*\*HANDICAP\*\*** USBC# 04944

***2026 West Virginia State Youth USBC Open***

***Suburban Lanes, 735 Chestnut Ridge Rd, Morgantown, WV***

**Entries must be post marked midnight March 2, 2026**

**CIRCLE REQUESTED DATE, TIME & AGE DIVISION**

**SQUAD DATE AND TIMES:**

**SAT MARCH 21 @ 10AM      SUN MARCH 22 @ 2PM**

**SAT MARCH 28 @ 2PM**

**Divisions are determined by your D.O.B. as of**

**08/01 Please see Rule 5 for age divisions**

**U8 U10 U12 U 14 U 16 U18**

**Bowling fee \$15.00**

**Scholarship fee \$20.00**

**Expense fee \$5.00**

**\$40.00 per bowler**

**First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ USBC# \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_**

**Ph. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Bowling Center: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Month**

**Day**

**Year**

**Check division: M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ Average as of Feb. 1, 2026 \_\_\_\_\_**

**SEND ENTRY FORM, ENTRY FEE AND A COPY OF STANDING SHEET AS OF FEB 1,2026 TO:**

**West Virginia State USBC; Kim Chapman**

**2620 Orchard Ave, Huntington, WV 25704**

**304-638-1211**

**Facebook: West Virginia Youth Bowling**

**Make Checks payable to: West Virginia State USBC**

## 2026 West Virginia State Youth USBC Open-Tournament Rules

1. WV State Youth USBC Open is certified, all USBC rules and regulations will be in effect.
2. **Bowler must be a USBC youth member, and bowl in a WV USBC certified youth league.**
3. Competition: March 21 @ 10 AM, March 22 @ 2 PM, March 28 @ 2 PM.
4. Squad times will be added if needed.
5. Qualifying competition is held in divisions based on the bowler's date of birth as of the dates below:
  - ▶ U8 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2017 or later ▶ U8 Girls
  - ▶ U10 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2015-7/31/2017 ▶ U10 Girls
  - ▶ U12 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2013-8/1/2015 ▶ U12 Girls
  - ▶ U14 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2011-8/1/2013 ▶ U14 Girls
  - ▶ U16 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2009-8/1/2011 ▶ U16 Girls
  - ▶ U18 Boys whose birthdate is 8/1/2007-8/1/2009 ▶ U18 Girls
6. Handicap will be 100% of difference of 210.
7. Symbolic awards 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> in all divisions (**U8, U10, U12, U14, U 16, U18**).
8. All bowlers must wear proper attire. Dress code: NO shorts above the kneecaps, Girls Skorts and Shorts must come to mid thigh, NO Pajamas, NO wearing of clothing depicting foul language or gestures. NO hats allowed, DRESS CODE WILL BE ENFORCED. NO smoking, vaping or drinking of alcohol is allowed.
9. Bowlers will use their highest current certified average, with a minimum of 21 games as of February 1, 2026. If minimum games not reached, bowler will **use last season book average** with a minimum of 21 games. If a bowler is using last season's average, and, as of February 1, 2026 the bowler has an average of 10 pins or more higher for at least 12 games, then the bowler must use the current average. Any average not covered by the statements above, or any discrepancies in averages, will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
10. Check in time is at least one hour before scheduled bowling time. Anyone arriving **LATE** shall begin play and the score will count beginning with the frame being bowled. Preceding frames will be scored with a score of zero.
11. Only bowlers, score keepers and tournament officials will be allowed in the immediate bowling area.
12. **Coaching is permitted but the BOWLER must come back to the coach or parent on the carpet area.**
13. Bowlers may wear bowling tennis shoes as long as they do not slide or mark up the lanes. The use of such substances as talcum powder, pumice, rosin, etc., on shoes that may alter the normal conditions of the approach is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**.
14. Scholarship fee returned 100% Scholarship will be awarded as follows: all divisions Boys and Girls 1 out of 10. Scholarship will be held in the **USBC SMART FUND # 10174**.
15. Competitors will be allowed 10 minutes of practice time. Practice will start 10 minutes before the start time of the shift.
16. Claims for errors in scoring or general playing rules must be given to the tournament director no later than the start of the block or 30 minutes after the completion of competition. Questionable errors shall be decided by the tournament director. All other protest must be confirmed in writing to the tournament director before the awards are presented. Under this rule, each protest must be specific.
17. This appeal or protest shall state briefly the grounds of the appeal or protest. The **West Virginia State USBC** board of directors will rule on any appeal or protest. The boards' decision will be final.
18. If a bowler cannot finish their game(s), they will receive zeroes for the remaining frame(s)/game(s).
19. **Tournament Director is responsible for verification of averages and memberships.**
20. The tournament director has the right to disqualify a bowler if he or she violates **USBC RULE 17d**.
21. **All Bowlers in the Host Zone MUST bowl the FIRST squad!**
22. The WV State USBC board of directors will decide any questions not covered by these tournament rules.

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