

STATE TOURNAMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- A. All girls are eligible whether bowling in the boys or girls division. To qualify for singles: girls fill percentage from both boys and girls division will determine advancing players in the girls singles. Formula used to determine number of advancing players when girls are participating in the boys division. EXAMPLE: The number of girls that are invited to the state tournament in girls' singles is determined by the number of girls teams plus the percentage of girls bowling in the boys division. Then we multiply that percentage by the number of teams invited to state in the boys division. If that number is less than one, no spots will be added to girls singles. If that number is more than 1 but less than 2, one spot from the boys will be moved to girls' singles. Example: 16 boys teams in a district, 128 bowlers of which 25 are girls = 0.19%. 6 teams invited to boys singles $\times 0.19 = 1.14$ or 1 girls singles moved to girls singles.
- B. JV bowlers from the same school can be brought up to the varsity team for state competition.
- C. If a team is going to substitute a bowler mid game/frame during TV finals, coach must tell designated tournament official before substitution is made. If an illegal substitution is made all balls thrown by illegal bowler will be considered "dead balls" and will follow USBC rule, (USBC Rule 8. Dead Ball or USBC High School Bowling Rules Art. 10 – Dead Ball), accordingly. A zero for the frame.
- D. State Tournament finals Division I teams will compete against each other and Division II teams will compete against each other for state championship.
 - Team Division is based on student population of the school.
 - Division 1 = 1,000+
 - Division 2 = 999 or less
- E. Singles event is all bowlers combined in Division I & Division II.

Eligibility Rules: To be eligible to compete at the 2012 State Tournament a team or bowler must:

1. Teams must have competed in at least 10 BCAW organized bowling matches in their district. To be eligible for singles event, bowlers must bowl in 75% of all matches bowled by his or her team, also must participate in at least 60% of the games.
2. All State qualifiers must be in 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade.
3. All complete rosters and monies must be in the BCAW office by February 20, 2012. If turned in after February 20th you will be ineligible for state competition.
4. Each District will cover the costs of individual and team competition.
 - A. BCAW member center is \$100.00 per team / \$20.00 per individual
 - B. Non BCAW member center is \$250.00 per team / \$50.00 per individual
5. Only one team from a high school can be admitted to the state tournament.
6. Boys & Girls singles is a Jr. Gold event. To qualify bowler must be USBC Youth Certified. – See Rule # 7.

Rules:

1. A team is expected to present a legal line-up on the lanes at the scheduled time. Coaches must submit a team roster **before February 20th** competition to BCAW office. Up to 10 (ten) players on a roster. No more than 10 roster players and 2 Coaches in the bowlers area. A team cannot have more than 10 players in the bowling area for qualifying and finals, plus 2 coaches.
2. Bowlers will receive 10 minutes of practice before the start of competition. For TV finals bowlers a minimum of 2 balls per lane on the starting pair of lanes or as allowed by the camera and announcing crew. (After bowling on a warm up pair.)
3. If less than a full team is present and no subs are available or eligible the team will receive zero (0) for the absent bowler.
4. Team event ties for roll-off spots:

For 1st - 4th: The last qualifying high game will determine the higher spot.

A tie for 5th and 6th for the TV finals: There will be a 2 game roll off.

This roll-off will be Sunday morning.

A tie in the TV finals: There will be a 9th and 10th frame roll off.

Singles event ties for roll-off spots:

For 1st - 4th: The last qualifying high game will determine the higher spot.

A tie for 5th & 6th spot for the TV finals: A one (1) game roll off after Saturday competition to determine 5th place.

A tie in the TV finals: There will be a 9th and 10th frame roll off.

5. **Substitutes:** A coach may remove a bowler during a game and use a roster bowler. Once a bowler has been substituted out that bowler may not re-enter that game, however the bowler may re-enter the next game. Substitutions can be made mid-frame. If a team is going to substitute a bowler mid game/frame during TV finals, coach must tell designated tournament official before substitution is made. If an illegal substitution is made all balls thrown by illegal bowler will be considered "dead balls" and will follow USBC rule, (USBC Rule 8. Dead Ball or USBC High School Bowling Rules Art. 10 – Dead Ball), accordingly.
6. **Conduct of Coaches and Players:**
 - A. No coach or player may use alcoholic beverages or any tobacco products on the bench, playing area, concourse or paddock room and/or use any equipment with alcohol or tobacco logos or names on it.
 - B. All bowlers will remain in the bowlers area or paddock room at all times during the competition.
 - C. Bowlers will be expected to follow the previous bowler promptly and will be required to bowl as soon as the lane is clear. (One lane courtesy only).

- D. Non sportsmanship like conduct, including deliberate foul, usually loud or vulgar language or abuse of center equipment is prohibited.
1. Violation One: Will result in a verbal warning.
 2. Violation Two: Will be removal of said bowler from all competition. Coaches may substitute a roster bowler for any player removed for conduct violations.
7. **Jr. Gold qualifying rules**
- 1) Boys that have a 175 average or higher and girls that have 150 average or higher can sign up for membership for \$30.
 - 2) There is no fee to enter Junior Gold qualifier, the High School Bowling Club is sponsoring the spots.
 - 3) Advancing Junior Gold Member must bowl 6 games, 3 games in the qualifying round and 3 games in the semi-final round.
8. All food and beverages must be purchased from the bowling center. No carry-ins are allowed. Food & drinks are not allowed in the bowlers sette area.
 9. All bowlers are allowed 2 bowling balls in the bowler area. All extra equipment must remain outside the bowlers area.
 10. All score corrections will be done by BCAW staff, all score sheets must be verified by a coach on an opposing pair & signed.
 11. All **bowlers** must wear same color team shirt and same color dress or casual dress (khaki type) pants during ALL competition including singles event (no blue jeans will be allowed). All **coaches** must have a school colored shirt. No hats or head wear are allowed. If you're in doubt get a ruling by a tournament director before competition starts. Violating dress code will result in a disqualification of that individual. Coaches co-ordinate your apparel with team colors.
 12. No practice will be allowed in the host center on the day of competition.
 13. Bowling equipment must meet USBC specifications, no abrasives are allowed during competition.
 14. All other rules will be followed in accordance with USBC YOUTH rules.
 15. The Tournament will not refund entry fee's for missing teams or singles.
 16. District's that are missing bowlers may substitute qualified bowlers from their district. If no qualified bowlers exist the spot will remain vacant. If a replacement bowler is chosen that selection is final after practice has started. Once a substitution is made by the missing players coach or district commissioner, that decision is final. Schedule time is defined by the times printed in the program booklet and website.
 17. No flash photos will be allowed during tournament competition.
 18. Leave score sheets on scoring unit at all times.
 19. The High School Bowling Club and the Bowling Center are not responsible for lost or stolen apparel or equipment.

TV FINALS FORMAT:

SINGLES: First event

- Individuals get one frame of practice on each lane
- League play mode
- Boys on one pair, Girls on the other
- Higher qualifier has choice of starting lane & whether to start match or finish it.
- If the individual starts first, they will finish last.
- First bowler bowls one frame, second bowler bowls two frames. From then on each bowler bowls 2 frames each to end of game.
- Bowls 1 game, winner of match advances to next match or wins. Ties, there will be a 9th and 10th frame roll-off.

TEAM: Second event

- Individuals get one ball of practice per lane
- Open play mode
- Higher qualifier has choice of starting lane & whether to start match first.
- If team starts first game, they will go second the second game.
- Changes lanes each game
- Bowl two games and total pins advances to next match or wins.
- Bowlers alternate bowling back & forth regardless of what frame each team is in.
- Ties, there will be a 6th thru 10th frame roll-off.
- Teams will sit/stand in designated areas.
- Individual may have only two (2) balls on rack when it's their turn, otherwise one (1).