

QUBICA AMF RISING STARS USBC Certified YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT

RULE CHANGES/CLARIFICATIONS 2019 – 2020

Average Divisions – There will be **SIX** average divisions --- **99 & under, 100-125, 126-150, 151 – 175, 176-194. Elite division for bowlers with 195 and higher averages.** To determine the division in which youth will compete at the state finals, bowlers will use the **HIGHER** of (1) their 2019-20 bowling season's highest verifiable league average as of March 8, 2020, minimum of 12 games, (2) their 2018-19 bowling season's highest verifiable average of 12 or more games or (3) their Sport Condition/Challenge league average if the USBC conversion chart results in an average higher than the bowler's regular league average(s). **At the Association Finals, bowlers will use their highest end of 2019-2020 season average, minimum of 12 games OR (1), (2), or (3) above, whichever is higher. You must record all leagues and centers you compete in and use the highest average.**

The number of bowlers advancing from each of the state finals to the QubicaAMF Finals will be approximately the number shown in the following chart depending on the number of entries in each of the state finals.

<u>Division</u>	<u>South Carolina</u>	<u>Georgia</u>	<u>North Carolina</u> <u>East & West</u> <u>Combined</u>
99 & under	2	2	4
100 – 125	2	2	4
126 - 150	2	2	4
151 - 175	1	1	2
176 - 194	1	1	2
195 & higher	1	1	2
Total	9	9	18
* Approximately 32 scholarships of \$200 will be awarded in the state finals based on the number of entries at each of the state finals. The exact number of additional scholarships will be posted before competition begins in the first of the three state finals. These scholarship winners will NOT advance to the association finals.			

Age Eligibility – Bowlers who have not reached their 20th birthday prior to August 1st of the current bowling season.

Entry Fee – The entry fee will be **\$20** for the state level. Email: Melanie@rainbowlanesclayton.com, Tel. 910-520-5717

Number of Qualifiers – The number of qualifiers advancing from each state finals will be based on the number of entries per state. The final numbers will be publicized before the first state finals.

Each completed entry form must be accompanied with an average sheet from your league. If you qualify more than once you MUST attach an average sheet with EACH form and must be dated with at least 12 games as of March 8, 2020. Any incomplete form or missing average sheet will result in the bowler not being scheduled or confirmed to bowl.

Cutoff date for current average state finals – March 8, 2020

Dates of State Finals - South Carolina – Saturday & Sunday - April 4-5, 2020
North Carolina East – Saturday & Sunday - April 18-19, 2020
Georgia – Saturday & Sunday – April 25-26, 2020
North Carolina West - May 2-3, 2020

Multiple Qualifying – Bowlers may qualify once in each organized league in which they are paying members, but not more times than there are state finals squads provided all other eligibility requirements are met.

In-center Qualifying – The top three (3) bowlers each week from each league (pins over average series) will qualify for their respective state finals in all average categories **except the ELITE (195 and higher) division. Youths in the ELITE division may enter the state finals directly by paying their \$20.00 entry fee and submitted a completed entry form. At the state and Association finals, the determining factor will be pins over for series in all but the ELITE division where total pins (scratch) will be used for placement and advancement.**

A participating center may run an end-of season qualifier for any youth who had not qualified for the state finals during the period of March 09-15, 2020, **PROVIDED THIS CENTER HAD QUALIFIED YOUTHS WEEKLY THROUGH LEAGUE SCORES. ONLY YOUTH BOWLERS WHO DID NOT EARN A SPOT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE STATE FINALS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ROLLOFF.** Advancement ratio will be one for every four entries.

NOTE --Centers not qualifying bowlers weekly may NOT run an end-of-season sweeper.

