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## RheinPfalz Bowling Association 2024 Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament Rules

The Rheinpfalz Bowling Association (RBA)'s 10th Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament will be conducted at the Ramstein Bowling Center on Saturday, 9 March 2024 on Ramstein AB, Germany. This is a scratch tournament. The following rules were established, reviewed, and approved by the RBA Tournament Committee. This tournament is sanctioned through the USBC with Certification Number \#07694.

## 1. Eligibility

a) Participants must be USBC members in good standing.
b) Participants must be a member of a certified league.
c) Participants will be ages 10 through 17 (as of 1 Aug 23).
i) Participants may be 8 or 9 and participate with a play up waiver.

## 2. Format

a) Teams will have a playing strength of 1 .
b) Members will be placed in groups of no more than 4 bowlers within their division.
i) U12
ii) U15
iii) U18
c) Divisions will be further divided into Boy and Girl.

## 3. Entry Fees.

a) The entry fee for this tournament is $\$ 35$ and broken down as indicated below. The League Secretaries will collect entry fees prior to the start of the tournament and will be responsible for paying this fee for their house for those participating.

|  | Lineage | SMART | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Participants | $\$ 16.50$ | $\$ 18.50$ | $\$ 35.00$ |

b) Fees must be paid prior to the start of the tournament.

## 4. Awards

a) Awards will be issued in accordance with the attached pay out sheet.
i) If a gendered division contains less than 4 participants, the genders will be combined.
b) High Scratch game in all divisions will be awarded $\$ 50$ SMART.
c) High Scratch series in all divisions will be awarded $\$ 50$ SMART.

## 5. Registration

a) Participants must be registered by 02 March 2024.
b) Check in will start at 0900 .
c) Tournament will start at 1000 .

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## 6. Late Arrivals

a) Late arrivals are authorized.
b) If the bowler arrives before the last bowler on the lane set finishes the $3^{\text {rd }}$ frame, the late bowler is allowed to make up the missed frames.
c) If the bowler arrives after the last bowler on the lane set has finished the $3^{\text {rd }}$ frame, the late bowler will receive a 0 for all frames missed.
d) Late arrivals will not be permitted practice time.

## 7. Warm-Up

a) Bowlers will be allowed 10 minutes of practice.
b) In the event of a lane breakdown, bowlers will be allowed practice throws on the new set of lanes; 2 throws per lane.

## 8. Competition

a) All divisions will bowl 3 games in the morning and 3 games in the afternoon for a total of 6 games.
i) Afternoon games will begin one hour after the last set of lanes finishes bowling their first three games. This will ensure all bowlers have at least a one hour break between sets.
b) Bowlers will shift lanes after each game.
i) Bowlers assigned to an even numbered lane will shift one lane to the right.
ii) Bowlers assigned to an odd numbered lane will shift one lane to the left.
c) Total pins will determine the winners in each division.
d) A modified competition sport pattern will be used on all lanes.

## 9. Bowler Conduct

a) The Youth Bowling Code, Rule 400 will be in effect.
b) Appropriate language, actions, and interactions must always be used by participants and spectators.
i) Appropriate language, actions, and interactions included but are not limited to encouragement, praise, applause, congratulations, "high fives", cheering, etc.
c) The use of inappropriate language, actions, and interactions are NOT PERMITTED and will NOT BE TOLERATED by participants or spectators.
i) Examples of inappropriate language, actions, and interactions include cursing, offensive hand motions, name calling, criticism, disparaging remarks, aggressive movements involving others or bowling equipment, etc.
d) Participants must adhere to the following dress code.
i) Bowlers are highly encouraged to wear their House League bowling shirt or jersey.
ii) Bowlers are authorized to wear a generic bowling jersey.
iii) If a house league bowling shirt or jersey, or generic bowling jersey is not worn, the participant must wear a collared shirt.
iv) Bowlers will wear full length slacks or similar pants belted at the waist.

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v) Females may also wear culottes, skorts, or walking shorts that are no shorter than the fingertips when the arms are at their sides while standing.
(1) If a bowler's pants, culottes, skirts, or walking shorts have belt loops, a belt must be worn.
(2) Pants made of denim, fleece, or spandex (to include leggings) and/or contain elastic at the ankles (i.e sweatpants) are not authorized.
vi) All clothing will be clean and free of holes and frays.
vii) Short-shorts; scooters; halter-tops; or shirts exposing the stomach area, the showing of underwear, displaying obscene gestures, profanity, or graphic/ offensive material are not allowed.
viii) Hats will not be worn during competition.
e) Electronic devices are not authorized in the pit area.
i) Participants will be asked to remove these items if discovered.
ii) Failure to remove these items will result in forfeiture of frames/games/series.
iii) This rule is in effect until all lanes are finished bowling, not just the participant's lane.
f) The consumption of alcoholic beverages is NOT PERMITTED by participants or spectators during tournament play. This includes tournament officials and any coaches.
g) Bowlers must be in the pit area ready to bowl when it is their turn in the rotation. If you must leave the pit area for a bathroom break, please let your lane monitor know you are leaving.
i) If a bowler is not in the pit area when it is their turn, and no notification was given, their score for that frame will be 0 .
ii) Spectators (ie., Parents or other non-bowlers) must remain outside the pit area.
iii) Please leave the coaching to the coaches.
h) NO FOOD will be eaten in the pit area and all drinks will be in spill proof containers.
i) Food should be consumed behind the pit area on the back counter or tables and should be eaten prior to the start of bowling.
ii) Spills in the pit area cause a safety hazard on the approaches. Spills need to be cleaned up immediately and can cause a delay.
i) Bowlers shall not touch the computers in the pit area.
i) If a problem arises, bowlers will bring it to the attention of the lane monitor, score keeper, or tournament official for correction.
ii) Score keepers will not "Start New Game" until the scores have been verified.
j) Once a bowler is finished bowling a game, they will gather their belongings and prepare to shift.
i) Ensure all items, including trash, are removed from the pit are so the next group can set up in a timely manner.

## 10. Protests

a) Verbal claims for errors in scoring or general rules must be made to the Tournament Director no later than the end of the game of issue or series. The Tournament Committee

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will decide questionable errors. Formal protest must be initiated before the awards are presented. The decision of the Tournament Committee is final.

## 11. USBC Rules

a) The 2023-2024 USBC Rule Book will be followed for this league. If a conflict arises between the league rules and the USBC Rule Book, the USBC Rule Book will take precedence.

## 12. Tournament Committee

a) The following people comprise the tournament committee:
i) Jennifer Clark (Tournament Director)
ii) Kat Allen
iii) Karen Anderson
iv) Peter "Buck" Buchikas
v) Devin Kirby

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| Number of Entries | Places Paid |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th | 11th | 12th | 13th | 14th | 15th | 16th | 17th | 18th | 19th | 20th |
| 1 to 5 | 100\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 to 10 | 60\% | 40\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 to 15 | 42\% | 33\% | 25\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | The prize list would be figured on the percentages corresponding to the number of entries. For example, if 28 teams entered the tournament, six places would be paid. If the total prize money paid into the event was $\$ 135$, the first place team would receive $\$ 32.40$ ( $\$ 135$ times $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ equals $\mathbf{\$ 3 2 . 4 0 ) .}$ The sixth place team would receive $\$ 14.85$ ( $\$ 135$ times $11 \%$ equals $\$ 14.85$ ). Figures can of course be rounded off to the nearest dollar. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 to 20 | 32\% | 27\% | 22\% | 19\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 to 25 | 26\% | 23\% | 20\% | 17\% | 14\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 to 30 | 24\% | 20\% | 17\% | 15\% | 13\% | 11\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 to 35 | 22\% | 18\% | 16\% | 14\% | 12\% | 10\% | 8\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 to 40 | 20\% | 17\% | 15\% | 13\% | 11\% | 10\% | 8\% | 6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 41 to 45 | 18\% | 16\% | 14\% | 13\% | 11\% | 10\% | 8\% | 5\% | 5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 46 to 50 | 17\% | 15\% | 13\% | 12\% | 10\% | 9\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 51 to 55 | 16\% | 14\% | 13\% | 11\% | 9\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 56 to 60 | 15\% | 13\% | 12\% | 10\% | 9\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 61 to 65 | 15\% | 13\% | 11\% | 10\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 6\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 66 to 70 | 15\% | 13\% | 11\% | 9\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 71 to 75 | 15\% | 13\% | 11\% | 9\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| 76 to 80 | 14\% | 12\% | 10\% | 9\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% |  |  |  |  |
| 81 to 85 | 14\% | 12\% | 10\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% |  |  |  |
| 86 to 90 | 13\% | 11\% | 9\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% |  |  |
| 91 to 95 | 13\% | 11\% | 9\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% |  |
| 96 to 100 | 12\% | 10\% | 9\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% |



The RBA Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament allows parents/players to request a waiver to allow their player to "play up" into an older group. Requests and any approval granted are for the current seasons' tournament only. Requests are by written application only by the parent or legal guardian. While the RBA Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament does not recommend that players play up, the tournament leadership does recognize that there may be a number of factors, including but not limited to, size, maturity, experience, and skill levels that may influence players' decision to play up.

Please Print
Player Last Name $\qquad$ Player First Name $\qquad$
Date of Birth $\qquad$ USBC\# $\qquad$
Phone $\qquad$ Email $\qquad$

| Current Age Division | OU10 | OU12 | OU15 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Requested Age Division | Uu15 | U18 |  |

I, the parent/guardian of the above minor child, herby request my child to compete in the division requested above. I understand that this is not the age division he/she was originally assigned by the RBA Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament rules. I am aware that my child will be competing against older and potentially more physically developed players with potentially higher skill levels, and I, therefore, recognize the added risk to my child's health and safety, as well as to my child's emotional well-being. In signing below, I accept these risks and accept all and every liability and responsibility stemming from suck risks as my own, and I absolve the RBA Youth Annual Handicap Tournament, its affiliated clubs, board members, volunteers, and associated personnel against any claims. I also acknowledge that I am making this decision on my own initiative and have not been requested to do so by any outside influence.

It is the policy of the RBA Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament that all players compete at a level they are capable of, both physically and developmentally.

This form must be submitted to the RBA Eifel Cup Youth Scratch Tournament director before participation. No changes to a division may be made once a bowler has started the tournament.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)
Parent/Guardian Signature $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$
Participant Signature $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$

