**This tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress and the following rules will be observed.**

1. Open to all USBC sanctioned youth bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/1999 or later.
2. $45 entry fee: $5 donation to BVL, $22.00 lineage, awards, and expenses, $18.00 to scholarship fund. All entries must be received by November 1, 2019. See #13 for Junior Gold fee information.
3. There will be three divisions: boys’ scratch, girls’ scratch, and mixed handicap. Scratch will be combined into a single division if there are fewer than 8 entries **each** for boys and girls.
4. Scratch will be open to all, but bowlers with averages of 190+ will bowl scratch. Bowlers with averages between 100 and 189 may bowl handicap. Anyone with an entering average of less than 100 will be adjusted to 100. Handicap division will be handicapped at 80% of 200. If there are fewer than 10 entries in either division, the tournament director reserves the option to have all bowlers in a combined handicap division and handicapping will be based on 80% of the highest entering average.
5. Current book average for 2018-19, as listed on bowl.com, will be used. If the bowler does not have a 2018-19 average, 2017-18 average will be used. If the bowler does not have an established average, please provide a current league standing sheet showing the bowler’s current average for a minimum of 12 games.
6. All averages will be verified by tournament officials.
7. Sport oil pattern (TBD). All bowlers will bowl five qualifying games, moving lanes between each game. (Bowlers on odd starting lane will move left; bowlers on even starting lane will move right)
8. After five qualifying games, there will be a cut to the top 8 bowlers in each division (cut will be top 6 if there are 8 or fewer in the division). Seeded match play brackets, with single elimination, in each division will be played until a winner is determined in each division. Ties will be broken by a 9th and 10th frame roll-off. If a tie still remains after the 9th and 10th frame roll-off, a single ball roll-off will determine the winner.
9. Scholarships will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division. The amount of scholarship available will be based on the number of entries. Scholarship money will be deposited into SMART account within 30 days of the conclusion of the tournament. Additional scholarship money may be added on the day of the tournament and will be paid to 4th and 5th places. 100% of scholarship money will be paid back at the rate of 50% to first place, 30% to second place, and 20% to third place. Additional scholarship money will be awarded based on tournament director’s discretion.
10. Bowlers must show current 2019-20 USBC sanction card at check-in.
11. Tournament date: November 10, 2019. Check-in and Junior Gold registration will begin at 8:15 am. Bowling will begin when all participants are checked in or at 9:00 am, whichever is first. Bowlers who arrive after competition has started will be awarded zero for each missed frame. No make ups will be allowed.
12. Dress code: collared shirts or bowling jerseys for boys and girls; slacks for boys; slacks, capris, walking shorts, or athletic skorts for girls. No jeans, shorts, sweatpants or yoga-type pants, hats, or sleeveless shirts will be allowed. Any apparel depicting cigarettes, alcohol, drugs or weapons will not be allowed. Shorts and skirts/skorts must be at least fingertip length when standing with arms down to the side. Tournament director reserves the right to disallow any apparel that does not meet these criteria and tournament director’s decision is final.
13. ***Junior Gold Qualifying****: Participants in Junior Gold qualifier must show current a Junior Gold membership card at check-in. If a bowler does not have a current Junior Gold membership card, they can purchase one on the day of the tournament. A Junior Gold membership consists of bowlers who MUST:*
    1. *Be a USBC youth member in good standing and comply with USBC Rule 400.*
    2. *Purchase an additional Junior Gold membership separate from regular USBC youth membership.*

* *Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2007 or later will participate in the* ***U12*** *division. U12 JG membership fee is $10.00 and entry fee for each U12 bowler at this tournament is $25.00.*
* *Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2004 – 07/31/2007 will participate in the* ***U15*** *division. U15 JG membership fee is $30.00 and entry fee for each U15 bowler at this tournament is $37.50.*
* *Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2002 - 07/31/2004 will participate in the* ***U17*** *division. U17 JG membership fee is $30.00 and entry fee for each U17 bowler at this tournament is $50.00.*
* *Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/1999 – 07/31/2002 will participate in the* ***U20*** *division. U20 JG membership fee is $30.00 and entry fee for each U20 bowler at this tournament is $50.00.*
* *The number of advancer spots available in each age group will be determined the day of the tournament based on the number entries that day, per division. JG is a scratch tournament and each bowler must bowl four games. The scratch scores from the first four tournament qualifying games will determine the bowlers’ Junior Gold scores. Qualifying ratio is 1:4 entries per division. The first non-qualifier above initial ratio with excess entries in each division can advance by paying funds to complete the entry fee.*
* *Junior Gold qualifiers will be announced before the cut to the finals.*
* *Ties for the last qualifying position will be broken by the highest single qualifying game between the tied bowlers. If a tie still exists after comparing all 4 qualifying scores, a 9th and 10th frame roll-off will determine the higher qualifier.*
* *If there are not enough entries to have separate boy and girl divisions within an age group, a combined age group will be used. If there are not enough entries for a combined age group, divisions may be combined.*

1. **This event is being held on an active United States Military Base.** All vehicles and passengers are subject to search upon entering. Weapons of any kind, including open and/or concealed carry weapons, are prohibited. While not anticipated, emergency circumstances may result in an unexpected closure of the base either before or during the event. Should this occur, every effort will be made to contact participants and advise of procedures.
2. **Enter online at tournamentbowl.com**. Choose Upcoming Tournaments, then choose Offutt Youth Salute to Veterans/JG qualifier. Follow the registration instructions and make sure to download the rules and base entry application. You are not confirmed until you receive an email from the tournament director. Entries will open September 1, 2019 and are limited to the first 72 entries.