

CONSTITUTION OF THE ALASKA YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT

ARTICLE I Name

The name of this organization shall be The Alaska Youth Scholarship Tournament, and hereafter shall be referred to as The Tournament.

This organization is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE II Purpose

The purpose of The Tournament is to provide an opportunity for youth bowlers to be able to earn scholarships for the purpose of bowling instruction or continuing education.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) or (b) by any organization contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) if the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law.)

The Tournament will also provide an opportunity for youth bowlers to foster camaraderie (good will and lighthearted rapport between or among friends) and fellowship (a union of friends or equals sharing similar interests).

The Tournament will consist of nine tournaments, eight of which will be monthly qualifying tournaments with the ninth one being a Tournament of Champions.

The Tournament encourages healthy competition, physical fitness, sportsmanship and good citizenship. The Tournament is committed to the development of its members by their participation in the sport of ten pin through a tournament format.

ARTICLE III Governing Bodies

The rules and regulations of USBC National Headquarters shall govern the Tournament. Any interpretation of rules shall first be presented to The Tournament rules chairperson, and Tournament Board of Directors, with final interpretation by National Headquarters, if further clarification is required.

ARTICLE IV Membership

The Tournament is open to all currently sanctioned USBC youth bowlers age 12 and older. Participants must have reached their 12th birthday prior to the first tournament in September. Youth bowlers are defined as currently sanctioned USBC bowlers, ages 12 through 19. (A bowler must **still be age 19** as of **August 1st** of the current tournament year.) Any individual under suspension by a responsible league official and/ or USBC shall be ineligible to participate.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1.) The Board of Directors shall be comprised of 6 adults to include:

Director, Co-Director, Awards, Rules, Financial, Fund Raising.

- a.) The above named board will remain as Directors until such time as a vacancy occurs.
- b.) If a vacancy should occur the remaining board members will approve the replacement by a majority vote.

2.) Duties of the Board of Directors are as follows:

Director- shall be the chief spokesperson for the tournament. The Director will be responsible for sanctioning the tournament thru National USBC Headquarters. The Director will be responsible for scheduling the tournament sites for the season. They will keep accurate tournament records that include financial, bowler's statistics, and required national reports.

Co-Director- shall assist the Director with the above named responsibilities.

Awards- shall be responsible for submitting awards to the appropriate association secretary in recognition of all honor scores bowled in The Tournament.

Rules- shall assist The Tournament Board of Directors in interpreting the rules and regulations of The Tournament, and will be the liaison between Nationals and The Tournament Board of Directors.

Financial- shall be responsible for making bank deposits, verifying monthly income and expenses, and coordinate with the Board of Directors on the availability of funds for anticipated scholarships. The Financial Director will also be responsible for notifying the Board of Directors of expected Certificate of Deposit activity and advise the Board on possible strategies regarding rollover funds.

Fund raiser – Shall try to solicit donations from outside interests to augment the Alaska Youth Scholarship fund.

Article VI Funds

All scholarships awarded will be forwarded to and managed by the Smart program.

ARTICLE VII Meetings

A meeting will be held in April of every year for the youth bowlers to review possible rule and format changes for the upcoming year. Additionally, meetings may be called at the designation of the Board of Directors when the need arises.

ARTICLE VIII Dissolution Clause

The Alaska Youth Scholarship Tournament may be dissolved only when authorized by its Board of Directors given at a special meeting called for that purpose and with subsequent approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Active Members. Upon dissolution or other termination of the Gaming Account, after payment in full of all its debts, obligations, and necessary final expense or after making of adequate provision thereof, after the distribution at its final monthly tournament and Tournament of Champions, the disposition of net proceeds from charitable gaming conducted under AS 05.15 – (15 AAC 160-020A5) will go to a permittee, other than a multiple-beneficiary permittee which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, leaving a net balance of Zero(0).