

## 2022-2023 LVYBT Feb 4-5 Scratch Events Rules

- 1. LVYBT:** Youth bowlers may compete in any or all events. These are a USBC certified tournaments. All USBC and LVYBT rules apply. These rules cover both Feb 4-5 2023 tournaments.
- 2. Divisions:** There will be 2 separate all scratch divisions on a sport shot determined by a board member and may be kept secret until before or after the event as deemed by the flier. Unless released by the Event Director  
**Varsity Division** - Open to any bowler who averages above 175-House or 158-Sport and over will be required to compete in this division.  
**Junior Varsity Division** - Open to any bowler whose entering average is 174-House or 157-sport and under
- 3. LVYBT Entering Average:** A bowler's entering average will be the highest of the following averages: (1) last season's LVYBT average if 12 games or more were bowled, (2) the USBC 2020-2021 highest certified house average (after conversion), or (3) the highest current season's USBC certified house average (after conversion) of 12 games or more. An established average will be considered based off at least 12 LVYBT games or a USBC league sheet. If entering without an established USBC or LVYBT average and no past USBC average, the event director will determine which division you can participate. Once the first event is completed, the average of those games and all subsequent games per event will determine your division until you reach the required 12 games. A Varsity bowler cannot drop down to a lower division if their average falls below until participating in two varsity division events have passed. Event Directors have the right to do any reassigning.
- 4. Eligibility:** The LVYBT events are open to all junior bowlers (not yet age 18 as of August 1, 2022) who have never bowled in any competition where cash or merchandise is offered as a prize. If you are not a USBC Youth Certified bowler, you must pay the USBC Certification Fee and submit a USBC certification form at your first event if not registered.
- 5. Event Format:** Bowlers will bowl 5 qualifying games, moving after each game. The top bowlers in each division will advance to stepladder matches. Stepladder will be the top 3 to 4 bowlers to be determined by attendance. Stepladder can never be more than 50% of the division. Divisions will be combined if less than 8 bowlers in a division. In the event of a tie, the tie rules of LVYBT will take effect. Other event formats may happen and will be detailed on each event's flier or announcements. Any ball restrictions if any, will be announced on the event flier.
- 6. Check-in and Practice:** Check-in begins at 11am Sat and 9am Sun. All bowlers should be checked-in a half an hour after check-in starts. Tournament starts Noon Sat and 10am Sun. Announcements will start 10 minutes prior to the start time. There will be 10 minutes of practice following the announcements. No surface changes after practice finishes. Any bowler not registered by a half hour before the event will not be able to bowl. Surface changes are allowed before a bowler's time to bowl in the stepladder.
- 7. Entry Fee:** \$60 per bowler *Breakdown:* \$20- Linage, \$5- Included Bracket, \$5- Event Expenses, \$5- Processing, \$25- Prize/Stipend Fund
- 8. Individual division awards** - Winners in each division will have their prize fund sent to SMART, USBC's scholarship account. Funds will be deposited to SMART account #9293. For more information regarding SMART, you can access USBC and select Youth/SMART. Payout will be as mentioned in overall LVYBT Rules. Additional brackets will be available for purchase. Funds will be provided in the form of additional scholarship. LVYBT will retain \$5 out of each bracket.
- 9. Dress Code:** The following dress code is required during LVYBT event competition: Collared shirts, long pants (dress or like-new blue jeans), dress shorts and skirts. The following is not allowed during LVYBT event competition: Hats, t-shirts, short shorts, mini-skirts, cut off blue jean shorts, tank tops, clothing that is dirty nor has holes in them, or shirts not covering the belly button. Violations will be determined at the event director(s) discretion. On the first dress code violation a bowler will be warned. On the second dress code violation the bowler will not be allowed to bowl. This dress code will be strictly enforced.
- 10. Electronics:** Electronics, including phones, headphones, etc. are not allowed in the settee area during practice or competitions. You may track your bowling on your phone but you may not be using it for entertainment. Only Emergency
- 11. Remaining Rules:** All rules not specifically covered will be governed by the rules of the USBC and the judgment of the event directors, who reserve all rights regarding the operation of the event. Rules and event format may be subject to adjustment based on COVID-19 Restrictions. Any rules not covered here are covered on the complete rules available online under "Tour Rules" at [www.lvybt.com](http://www.lvybt.com).
- 12. Marketing Statement:** By participating in this event, I grant permission to Las Vegas Youth Bowling Tour (LVYBT) to use my/our name/s, likeness, image, voice and/or appearance in any photographs, video recordings, digital images, and other media representations, taken or made or LVYBT marketing and publicity activities including, but not limited to, social media channels, website publication, magazine publications, advertisements, and any promotional or educational materials offered both online or in digital or print format.