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Roll 'N Grow/Roll 'N Grow PLUS Membership FAQ

Q: Can bumper and/or peewee leagues be certified?

A: Yes. USBC offers a membership specifically designed for the beginning bowler age 7 or younger and it is called Roll 'N Grow. A list of the benefits provided in the Roll 'N Grow membership can be found in the next question. Bumper or peewee leagues can be certified as either Standard, Roll 'N Grow or Basic leagues. Below we have described how the different certification options work with these leagues.

1. Bumper or peewee leagues that certify as a Standard league will receive the Standard league member benefits, which include the USBC Youth jersey. Bumper or peewee leagues that certify as STANDARD leagues **WILL NOT RECEIVE THE ROLL 'N GROW LEAGUE BENEFITS.**
2. Bumper or peewee leagues that certify as Roll 'N Grow **WILL RECEIVE THE ROLL 'N GROW MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS FOR ALL WHO PURCHASE EITHER THE ROLL 'N GROW OR ROLL 'N GROW PLUS MEMBERSHIPS.**
3. Bumper or peewee leagues that certify as Basic leagues will receive Basic league benefits only. Bumper or peewee leagues that certify as BASIC leagues **WILL NOT RECEIVE THE ROLL 'N GROW LEAGUE BENEFITS.**

Q: Is the Roll 'N Grow program exclusively for bumper leagues?

A: The purpose of the Roll 'N Grow program is to provide better benefits and educational tools to youth programs for the beginning bowler. Roll 'N Grow leagues can be either bumper or non-bumper.

Q: What benefits come as part of a USBC Roll 'N Grow membership?

A: USBC Roll 'N Grow Membership will cost \$8 (\$7.00 national and up to \$1.00 local processing fee) and be available to all youth who bowl in bumper or leagues consisting of youth ages 7 or younger. Benefits include:

- USBC membership card
- A Bowlopolis DVD
- One issue of Bowlopolis The Mag.
- Eligible to participate in the USBC Purchasable Awards Program
- Specialized League Awards Program



- PeeWee Progress Report Card and Award stickers
- Enrollment in the Bowlopolis Kids Club
- USBC official average based on a minimum of **12** games for non-bumper competitors. Bumper bowlers will have their averages listed on bowl.com with a bumper designation.
- Eligible to bowl in USBC certified tournaments when qualified.
- **USBC Youth Jersey is available with the purchase of the Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership which costs \$17.**

Q: Can Roll 'N Grow members purchase a USBC Youth jersey through the Roll 'N Grow league?

A: USBC members have three ways to get the USBC Youth jersey;

1) Youth bowlers can purchase a Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership through the Roll 'N Grow league which includes all the Roll 'N Grow benefits PLUS the USBC Youth Jersey; or

2) They can receive one by purchasing a USBC Youth Standard membership through a USBC BASIC or USBC STANDARD league; or

3) USBC Youth jerseys are available for purchase online at <http://usbcbowlingstore.com>.

USBC Roll 'N Grow members will also have the option to purchase a Bowlopolis T-Shirt for \$5.00.

USBC Roll 'N Grow PLUS Membership

Q: How is the USBC Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership different than the current Roll 'N Grow membership?

A: The USBC Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership offers the same great member benefits of the Roll 'N Grow membership plus it includes the USBC Youth jersey, all for the price of \$17.

Q: What benefits come as part of a USBC Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership?

A: USBC Roll 'N Grow PLUS Membership will cost \$17 (\$16.00 national and up to \$1.00 local processing fee) and be available to all youth who bowl in bumper or leagues consisting of youth ages 7 or younger. Benefits include:

- USBC membership card
- A Bowlopolis DVD
- One issue of Bowlopolis The Mag



- Eligible to participate in the USBC Purchasable Awards Program
- Specialized League Awards Program
- Roll 'N Grow Progress Report Card and Award stickers
- Enrollment in the Bowlopolis Kids Club
- USBC official average based on a minimum of **12** games for non-bumper competitors. Bumper bowlers will have their averages listed on bowl.com with a bumper designation.
- Eligible to bowl in USBC certified tournaments when qualified.
- USBC Youth Jersey.

Q: Can a bowler purchase a USBC Youth Standard or USBC Basic membership through a USBC Roll 'N Grow league?

A: No. The USBC Roll 'N Grow membership is a LEAGUE program where all participants in the league are required to have either a USBC Roll 'N Grow or Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership in order to participate.

Q: Does the USBC Roll 'N Grow member pay the USBC Roll 'N Grow membership fee for each Roll 'N Grow league in which they participate?

A: No. The USBC Roll 'N Grow membership fee of \$8 (\$17 for Roll 'N Grow PLUS) is paid once per season. If the youth bowls in another Roll 'N Grow program in a second center during the same season, they would pay the \$1 processing fee to participate in the second league. However, a player will only receive the Roll 'N Grow benefits packet once per season.

Q: Can a USBC Youth Standard or USBC Youth Basic member bowl in a USBC Roll 'N Grow league without purchasing a Roll 'N Grow membership?

A: USBC Youth Standard members can participate in USBC Roll 'N Grow leagues with no additional membership charge. However, only those who purchase a USBC Roll 'N Grow or Roll 'N Grow PLUS through the Roll 'N Grow league will receive the Bowlopolis DVD, Magazine and PeeWee Kit. USBC Basic members must purchase either a Roll 'N Grow or Roll 'N Grow PLUS membership to participate in a Roll 'N Grow league.

Q: Can an association offer a bumper division in their tournament and are there any special limitations?

A: An association can provide a bumper division in their championship events. However, all entrants can use only his/her bumper averages for entry.

Q: In what tournaments is a USBC Roll 'N Grow member eligible to compete with this membership?

A: USBC Youth Roll 'N Grow & Roll 'N Grow PLUS members are automatically members of the state and local associations that have jurisdiction of the centers through which the memberships are purchased. This allows USBC Youth Roll 'N Grow & Roll 'N Grow PLUS members to compete in the local association championship events and



state association championship events without the payment of any additional membership fees. USBC Youth Roll 'N Grow & Roll 'N Grow PLUS members are also eligible to compete in any other USBC Youth certified competition that allow USBC Youth Roll 'N Grow & Roll 'N Grow PLUS members to participate.

League Supplies/Awards

Q: How does the processing agent order league supplies or purchase awards?

A: The Processing Agent will order the necessary league supplies and place orders for purchased awards by contacting the Bowling Information Center (BIC) @ 1-800-514-2695 ext. 8954. Initial start-up league supply orders should be sufficient to cover the expected number of leagues and youth memberships.

Q: What awards will USBC provide to the 2013-14 youth leagues?

A: Each USBC league will be provided a League Champions Awards kit which consists of emblems for the following categories:

League Champions (4)
League High Average (2)
League High Series (2)
League High Game (2)
Most Improved Average (2)

These kits are to be obtained from the local association if they are the league processor. Self-processing centers can order these kits by contacting the USBC Bowling Information Center at 1-800-514-2695 ext. 8954. This should be done at least 30 days prior to the end of the league session.

USBC also has a number of additional award emblems available for purchase which would be in addition to any awards provided locally.

Q: What average is used when determining the Most Improved Average?

A: The rules for awarding the Most Improved Average award are listed in USBC Rule 54a.

Q: What awards does USBC have available for purchase and how are they ordered?

A: A form that has the awards available for purchase from USBC can be downloaded here. Orders can be placed by contacting the USBC Bowling Information Center at 1-800-514-2695 ext. 8954.

Membership delivery and services

Q: Who determines how memberships will be processed?

A: As the host of youth activities, the bowling center proprietor will have the first option



to be the Processing Agent. If the proprietor declines this option or prefers to work through a local association, then the local association would have the option to perform those duties. If the local association chooses not to perform those duties, USBC will utilize the Alliance At Large program for the completion of duties listed in the Processing Agreement.

Q: What is the process that is followed for a center to become a Processing Agent?

A: The center wishing to designate a Processing Agent will complete the registration form in the USBC Membership Processing System. The request will be verified and the center notified when they can begin processing.

Q: What program is used to process USBC Youth memberships?

A: As part of the overall changes to the youth program, USBC created a Web-based Youth Processing System (not WinLABS) that allows USBC Youth membership and averages to be processed. This system is available to make it easier for the bowling centers and the local associations to handle the required processing duties.

Q: If the local association is the processor, will they use WinLABS to process membership?

A: No. All USBC Youth memberships are processed using the Youth Processing System. Final averages should also be processed through the Youth Processing System. Failure to process this information through the Youth Processing System causes problems with the transmittal of bowler data for members competing in multiple associations. **This DOES NOT include USBC High Score Awards (11 in a row, 300 game, 800 and 900 series) which must be processed through the local association using WinLABS.**

Q: What are the responsibilities of the Processing Agents?

A: The Processing Agreement consists of two (2) components:

- Membership Processing. This will consist of the input of data into the Youth Processing System and the submission of membership dues to USBC.
- Final Average Submission. This will consist of the input of final average information for all participants in USBC Youth certified competitions into the Youth Processing System.

These two (2) responsibilities are the only duties that would be removed from the associations list of responsibilities for centers that choose to process directly with USBC. All other duties listed in the USBC Association Policy Manual remain.

Q: What are the required timelines for the completion of the Processing Agent duties?

A: USBC rules require the league secretary to submit the completed membership applications and payment to the Processing Agent within 30 days from the start of the



season. Additional memberships collected are to be forwarded to the Processing Agent within 30 days of receipt.

Final Average data is to be provided to the Processing Agent as soon as the league season has been completed and preferably before the distribution of prizes.

Q: How does the Processing Agent order league supplies?

A: League supplies are ordered by contacting the USBC Bowling Information Center at 1-800-514-2695 ext. 8954.

Q: Who does the Processing Agent contact with questions about services?

A: Support questions will go through the USBC Bowling Information Center at 1-800-514-2695 ext. 8954.

Q: What is required to authorize a change in the designated processing agent?

A: If the center is changing the individual they have designated as their processing agent, or is now having their youth leagues processed by the local association, the center must provide written notice to USBC HQ in order to facilitate a change in security settings. If the center used the local association the previous season and wants to process directly with USBC, there is no notice that needs to be provided to USBC HQ.

Q: How will the locals receive member information if a portion of membership in their association is processed by proprietors?

A: Local associations will have the ability to access the membership processing records of all the bowlers within their jurisdiction and create reports of this information as needed. All youth bowler data submitted through the Youth Processing System will be displayed in the local association's records.