2025-2026 Youth Challenge 5 Pin Bowling – Zone Qualifier Event

Empowering the Next Generation of Bowlers

The Youth Challenge is the most prestigious annual event for youth bowlers aged 12 to 18, serving as a gateway to competitive development and national-level opportunities within the sport of 5-pin bowling. This high-profile event provides young athletes with a platform to showcase their skills, build confidence, and grow both personally and athletically.

We are excited to invite all **qualified youth bowlers** to participate in the upcoming **Zone Qualifying Round**, a critical first step on the road to provincial and national representation.

Event Details

Event: Youth Challenge Zone Qualifier

Age Group: 12 to 18 years not yet nineteen (19) years of age as of Dec 31, 2025.

Format: 10-Game Qualifying Round over 2 Days

Dates & Times:

• Saturday, November 22, 2025 – 2:00 PM at Chinook Bowladrome

• Sunday, November 23, 2025 – 2:00 PM at Toppler Bowl

Important Updates for 2025

To align with provincial standards and maintain fairness across all zones, we are implementing the following changes:

- **Increased Game Format**: Now a **10-game total pinfall** (previously 8 games) to match other zone standards and better prepare athletes for the next competitive level.
- **Updated Entry Fee**: Entry fee is now **\$80** (up from \$60) to reflect the additional linage costs and rising operational expenses. This ensures the event continues to be professionally run and of high quality.

Why Participate?

The Youth Challenge is not just about competition, it's about **growth**.

By participating, youth bowlers will:

- Develop confidence, focus, and perseverance
- Improve skills under tournament pressure
- Build friendships and community through sport
- Gain exposure to opportunities at the **provincial and national** levels

Eligibility & Registration

This event is open to **all youth bowlers** with a registered 5 pin card and who meet the age requirements. Bowlers must be prepared to bowl **5 games per day** over two days. Bowlers are encouraged to arrive **30 minutes prior to start time** for check-in and warm-up.

Further registration details will be distributed through the bowling centers and coaches and will be available at the First youth series of the season. Registrations will be accepted up to November 16th, 2025.

We believe strongly in the mission of the Youth Challenge: to develop the future of 5-pin bowling by giving young athletes competitive and personal tools to succeed on and off the lanes.

We invite all eligible youth bowlers to take part in this exciting and challenging event. Let's work together to make the 2025-2026 Youth Challenge the best yet.

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