



CALGARY 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

www.calgary5pin.ca
calgaryYBS@gmail.com

Calgary Youth Bowling Series Youth-Pro Invitational Tournament Rules

Revised: September 2026

Objective

The Calgary Youth Bowling Series (Calgary YBS) Youth-Pro Invitational Tournament builds connections between the Calgary Zone's youth bowlers and introduces the youth bowlers to pro-level bowlers within the Calgary Zone. The intent of this tournament is to foster comfort within the youth bowlers as they progress beyond their youth programs, ultimately encouraging the youth bowlers to continue bowling after the conclusion of their youth programs. While competitive play is encouraged, the over-arching goal is to develop a sense of community amongst the bowlers.

The information provided within this document serves as a general outline for the rules governing the Youth-Pro Invitational tournament. The Calgary YBS tournament chairpersons will have the final decision-making authority with respect to the Youth-Pro Invitational tournament.

Section 1: Eligibility

1. Calgary YBS bowlers will receive an invitation to the Youth-Pro Invitational tournament based on the final series (season) aggregate standings. Invitations will be sent to:
 - a. Top five (5) aggregate finishers in the Girls Scratch division.
 - b. Top five (5) aggregate finishers in the Girls Pins Over Average division.
***Note:** If a bowler has already qualified in the Girls Scratch division, the next highest placing Pins Over Average bowler will be invited.
 - c. Top five (5) aggregate finishers in the Boys Scratch division.
 - d. Top five (5) aggregate finishers in the Boys Pins Over Average division.
***Note:** If a bowler has already qualified in the Boys Scratch division, the next highest placing Pins Over Average bowler will be invited.
 - e. If an invited bowler is unable to attend the Youth-Pro Invitational tournament, an alternate will be invited in their place. The alternate will be the next highest placing bowler in the same division as the bowler who is unable to attend. This process will continue until a successful replacement bowler has been found.

2. Calgary Zone pro-level bowlers will receive an invitation to the Youth-Pro Invitational tournament based on the following criteria. An invitation will be sent to both the female and male bowler the meets the following criteria:
 - a. Invitation #1: First (1st) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - i. Alternate: Second (2nd) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - ii. Alternate: Third (3rd) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - b. Invitation #2: Fourth (4th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - i. Alternate: Fifth (5th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - ii. Alternate: Sixth (6th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - c. Invitation #3: Seventh (7th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - i. Alternate: Eighth (8th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - ii. Alternate: Ninth (9th) place qualifier from the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - d. Invitation #4: Calgary Zone Open Provincials Alternate

***Note:** Must be the person who attended the Open Provincials

 - i. Alternate: Bowler selected by the Calgary YBS Tournament Chairpersons. Bowler must have competed in the Calgary Zone Open Trials
 - e. Invitation #5: Bowler selected by the Calgary YBS Tournament Chairpersons. Bowler can be selected from the bowling community at large.
 - f. If the primary invitee and their designated alternates are all unavailable to participate in the Youth-Pro Invitational Tournament, the next available alternate should be invited based on the following order: second (2nd) place qualifier through ninth (9th) place qualifier. If no bowler is found, a bowler will be selected by the Calgary YBS Tournament Chairpersons. This bowler must have competed in the Calgary Zone Open Trials.
 - g. If a bowler qualifies as both a Calgary Zone pro-level bowler and as a Calgary YBS bowler, they will be deemed to have qualified as a Calgary Zone pro-level bowler.
3. Throughout the season, Calgary YBS bowlers and Calgary Zone pro-level bowlers are expected to exemplify good sportsmanship and possess the spirit of encouragement towards fellow participants. Respect should be shown towards fellow participants and tournament officials. Bowlers must also be a member in good standing of the Alberta 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
 - a. Invitations will follow the criteria in above Sections 1.1 and 1.2, unless circumstances warrant the exclusion of a bowler from the Youth-Pro Invitational Tournament. The decision to exclude a bowler is at the discretion of the Calgary YBS Tournament Chairpersons. A justification will be made available if a bowler has been excluded.
 - b. Any bowler who receives a formal, written warning in a Calgary 5 Pin Bowlers' Association tournament during the season will automatically be excluded from consideration and participation in the Calgary Youth-Pro Invitational tournament.

Section 2: Team Structure

1. The Youth-Pro Invitational tournament is comprised of ten (10) teams, each of which will have three (3) bowlers. The teams will include one (1) bowler from each of the following categories:
 - a. Pro-level adult bowler
 - b. Scratch youth bowler
 - c. Pins Over Average youth bowler
2. The tournament will be comprised of five (5) teams of all female bowlers and five (5) teams of all male bowlers.
3. Teams will be determined based on the following team structure:

Team	Adult Bowler Pro-Level	Youth Bowler Scratch	Youth Bowler Pins Over Average
1	Zone Open Trials: First (1 st) Place	YBS Scratch Aggregate: First (1 st) Place	YBS POA Aggregate: Fifth (5 th) Place
2	Zone Open Trials: Fourth (4 th) Place	YBS Scratch Aggregate: Second (2 nd) Place	YBS POA Aggregate: Fourth (4 th) Place
3	Zone Open Trials: Seventh (7 th) Place	YBS Scratch Aggregate: Third (3 rd) Place	YBS POA Aggregate: Third (3 rd) Place
4	Open Provincials: Attending Alternate	YBS Scratch Aggregate: Fourth (4 th) Place	YBS POA Aggregate: Second (2 nd) Place
5	Calgary YBS Tournament Chairpersons Selection	YBS Scratch Aggregate: Fifth (5 th) Place	YBS POA Aggregate: First (1 st) Place

Section 3: Tournament Format

1. The Youth-Pro Invitational Tournament will consist of five (5) games using the Pins Over Average format. Averages will be based on highest league average at a pre-determined cut-off date.
2. The total team pins overage average will be used to determine the tournament results.
3. All ten (10) teams will compete in the same tournament. There are no separate girls or boys' divisions.
4. In the event of a tie, the tiebreaker will be determined based on the team's best pins over average result in a single game during the tournament. If the tie remains, the second-best team pins over average result in a single game will be used, and so on until the tie is broken.

Example: Two teams are tied with +350 for the tournament. Team 1's best individual game pins over average score was +85, Team 2's best individual game pins over average score was +110. The tie would be awarded to Team 2.