



International Bowling Campus

Youth Development

Dear USBC Association leaders,

First, thank you for your support during the 2018-2019 bowling season. Without hard work and dedication from partners such as you, it is difficult to provide the experience and fun our bowlers truly deserve!

As you may have heard, USBC will lower the maximum age for USBC Youth membership. Beginning with the 2020-2021 season, bowlers who turn 18 years old prior to Aug. 1 no longer will be eligible for USBC Youth membership or Youth-only certified competitions.

Not only does this change better align bowling with other youth sports, but the change also better aligns USBC Youth membership with new regulations from the U.S. Center for SafeSport requiring training for those over age 18 who participate in a sport with a minor.

As a USBC association leader, we wanted to let you know how the change in the maximum age for USBC Youth membership impacts your bowlers:

- USBC Youth members who turn 18 during the season, and who bowl with minor USBC members in a league setting, must take SafeSport training
- The maximum age division for Pepsi Youth and Bowling.com Youth Open will be a U18 division
- The Junior Gold divisions eligible for USBC Youth members will be U12, U15 and U18. A U20 division will remain separate for USBC adult members who are eligible for that division

For more information on the 2020-2021 USBC Youth age change, visit BOWL.com/YouthAgeChange. If you have any questions, comments or concerns you can reach us at 1-800-514-BOWL, ext. 8426 or by email at youthmembership@ibcyouth.com.

Thank you again for being a valued partner of USBC. We hope you have an exciting 2019-2020 season!

See you on the lanes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gary Brown'.

Gary Brown

Managing Director, IBC Youth Development

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