



# TOURNAMENT FLYER

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ATHLETE SAFETY/RVP



The Registered Volunteer Program (RVP) is designed to create awareness about emotional, physical and sexual abuse through education and prevention policies.

All tournament managers must be RVP compliant if they are operating an Adult/Youth or a Youth tournament. These consist of any tournament in which a minor (17 years of age or younger) is allowed to participate.

## **RVP Resources**

The online resources have been updated to help you through the Registered Volunteer Program. You can find the following on [BOWL.com/RVP](https://www.bowl.com/RVP):

- RVP Handbook
- Code of Conduct
- RVP Policies
- Frequently Asked Questions

To manage your RVP status, you can create an account or log into your community page on [BOWL.com](https://www.bowl.com). Once signed into your account, click on "My USBC" in the upper right-hand corner. Using the drop-down menu, select "Athlete Safety" to load a secondary page where you can view your current status for USBC membership, U.S. Center for SafeSport Training and NCSI background screening. If action is needed on your part, the link will be either yellow or red.

If you still have questions, please email: [RVP@bowl.com](mailto:RVP@bowl.com).

**ATHLETE SAFETY/RVP HANDBOOK**

**BECOME A REGISTERED VOLUNTEER**



## **Tournament Financial Reports**

USBC Rule 309 requires information to be submitted to USBC Headquarters after completion of a tournament. The information is collected electronically through the online tournament certification portal. Please remember to submit your financial report within 30 days of the end of the tournament. For tournament cancellations, enter zeroes in the required fields and canceled in the note field.

When filling out the Financial Report, be sure to enter the scholarship winnings. This would include what was paid out in scholarships, such as sponsor money or additional funds added. The dollar amount should match the dollar amount in your SMART account, if applicable.

SMART is in the process of auditing tournament financial reports and scholarship funds. Please make sure the correct SMART account number is entered during the certification process. If you were uncertain if SMART scholarship funds were going to be awarded, the SMART account number

can be added in the note field on the financial report. Once confirmation of scholarship funds has been received, tournaments will be closed out. Any questions pertaining to SMART accounts should be sent to [smart@bowl.com](mailto:smart@bowl.com).

## TOURNAMENT CERTIFICATION LOGIN



IN THE NEWS



### **USBC Announces Certification of String Pinsetters Effective August 1, 2023**

The announcement by USBC that effective 8-1-2023 USBC will certify string pinsetters may affect your events as there are specific rules regarding the use of averages established on string pinsetters. Please review the FAQ on the certification of string pin bowling for directions on the acceptability of string pin averages, which can be found [here](#).

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