



SAFETY POLICIES REGARDING COVID-19 for the 2020-2021 tournament season.

To Athletes, Parents, & Spectators:

The covid-19 crisis has affecting everyone and everything in our lives. Ohio bowling centers are now open and we are obligated to conduct bowling tournaments under the safety policies mandated by both the State of Ohio and the individual bowling center.

As we have seen, the mandated safety policies are subject to change at any time at the will of the State of Ohio and the bowling center. The policies may vary from center to center depending on location and size. *Enforcement is the responsibility of the center.* To conduct a tournament, we must follow the safety policies in effect on the date of the tournament at that center. *Compliance is not an option.*

We have seen that each bowling center can determine its own covid-19 safety policies in its requirement to comply with State of Ohio mandates. It is the obligation of each bowling center, as a condition to be open for business to dictate to a tournament, among other things, their policy regarding:

1. The number of lanes to be used and left unused (if any).
2. The maximum numbers of bowlers allowed on each used lane.
3. The maximum number of spectators allowed in the facility.
4. Conditions for admission into the center (i.e.: mandatory no-touch temperature readings, face masks, hand sanitization, social distancing, open facility doors, lane movement, use of center equipment, more, etc.).

The primary way we communicate with our bowlers is via e-mail. Every tournament entry form requires that bowlers or a parent list their e-mail so that if there are changes in any aspect of the tournament you will be informed. **This means that you should check your e-mail daily for any updates.** This is easy to do on your computer, tablet, or smart phone. It is not possible to telephone every bowler regarding tournament changes. If we e-mail an update (or if your e-mail was incorrectly shown on the entry form) and you miss it we cannot be responsible on the day of the tournament or at the point of admission.

It is the best interest of everyone that we remain safe and have fun at bowling tournaments. The State of Ohio and bowling center safety policies are design to offer the safest venue possible and allow everyone to get back to normalcy. Please comply with the safety policies in effect at a bowling tournament and use simple common sense in your conduct with others. How long the covid-19 public safety policies will be in effect and how they might evolve over time is anyone's guess. Please do not hesitate to call or-email me if you have any questions.

To great bowling!

Kyle Wilson

Founder and Director,
Junior Tournament Bowlers Association (JTBA)
kyle@jtba.com
606.477.5822