

USBC ATHLETE SAFETY & RVP



The United States Bowling Congress' Athlete Safety Program combines the U.S. Center for SafeSport Policies and USBC's Registered Volunteer Program into one program. The program is designed to create awareness about emotional, physical and sexual abuse through education and prevention policies.

The USBC Athlete Safety Program accomplishes three important goals:

1. Requires all volunteers who have authority over USBC Youth members to be Registered Volunteers. A Registered Volunteer must comply with the following requirements:
 - Prior to attending a USBC Youth activity or within 45 days of being in a Registered Volunteer role, whichever occurs first:
 - Complete the U.S. Center for SafeSport training on a yearly basis
 - Pass a background screen through the National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) every two years
 - Be a USBC member in good standing
 - Report any child abuse, including sexual abuse, to the U.S. Center for SafeSport and USBC
 - Adhere to the USBC Athlete Safety Prevention Policies
 - Adhere to the USBC Registered Volunteer Code of Conduct
2. Requires adult members 18 years of age or older who bowl in a league with USBC Youth members 17 years of age or younger to:
 - Prior to participating in the league, complete the U.S. Center for SafeSport training on a yearly basis
 - Report any child abuse, including sexual abuse, to the U.S. Center for SafeSport and USBC
 - Adhere to the USBC Athlete Safety Prevention Policies
3. Provides Prevention Policies for adults to adhere to during any certified competition or USBC activity where USBC Youth members are involved.

This Athlete Safety & RVP Handbook, which will govern the program, has been developed in compliance with the U.S. Center for SafeSport Policies and Procedures and the National Council of Youth Sports recommendations.