



Rulebook

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DALLAS DARTS ASSOCIATION
A Texas Non-Profit Corporation

I. NAME

The name of the corporation is the **DALLAS DARTS ASSOCIATION, Inc.** hereinafter referred to as the **DDA**.

II. DDA YEAR

The **DDA** year shall run from July 1st through June 30th.

III. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the **DDA** is to foster and promote darts in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. The **DDA** also shall be the controlling organization for all leagues and other competition sponsored by the **DDA**.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

A. Members

There are two classes of members, voting and non-voting. Voting Members (sometimes referred to as "CPB") are Team Captains, the Board of Directors (excluding the last past President, League Administrator, A.D.O. Representative, Editor of Publications, and the Board Parliamentarian), and Pub Owners. Only one person may represent one team or pub. Voting Members of the Board of Directors may not represent a team. Non-Voting Members are all other members who are not Voting Members.

B. Membership Dues

[1] Individual Membership Dues

Individual dues and requirements for play shall be established by the CPB.

[2] Team Dues

Team dues and requirements for play shall be established by the CPB.

C. Membership Qualifications

[1] Individual Qualifications

DDA membership is limited to permanent residents of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, as it may be defined by the Board of Directors. However, the Board may authorize associate memberships, at a fee the Board deems reasonable, which would entitle the holder to be placed on the mailing list for monthly bulletins, tournament information, etc.

[2] Pub Qualifications

Participating pub membership is limited to a permanent physical location within the County of Dallas and/or city limits of Dallas and at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

D. Termination/Suspension of Membership

The Board of Directors retains the right to terminate or suspend any member which it deems to be in violation of these By-Laws or the Rules of the DDA. The alleged violating member must be notified of the complaint and of a hearing by the Board at a specified time and place by certified mail, return receipt requested, at the member's address as it appears on the records of the DDA and be given the right to defend himself before the complainant(s). The owner of the pub in which the alleged violation occurred may, at his discretion, be present at the hearing. Failure of the alleged violating member to appear at the hearing will be considered to be a plea of no contest. The Board will then act on the evidence before it. A written explanation of the decision and action of the Board will be sent to the alleged violating member by certified mail, return receipt requested. This action may be appealed at a regular or special CPB meeting and overruled by a 2/3 vote of a quorum of the CPB.

V. MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

A. Place of Meetings.

Meetings of the members may be held at such time and place, within or without the State of Texas, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

B. Regular Meetings of Team Captains, Pub Owners, and Board of Directors

There shall be three (3) CPB meetings annually. No notice of these meetings shall be required.

[1] There shall be a CPB Meeting within 45 days of the start of the Spring and Fall League season.

[2] Nominations of elective positions shall be made at the CPB Meeting preceding the Spring League Season

[3] There shall be a CPB Meeting during the DDA sponsored dart tournament for DDA members only, otherwise known as SuperDarts Weekend, for voting on elective positions. Attendance points as stated under Rules and Regulations #4 do not apply at this meeting.

C. Special Meetings

Special CPB meetings may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or a written request signed by 25% of the Voting Members. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, by a quorum of the CPB, or such other officers or persons as may be provided in the Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws.

D. Notice of Meetings

Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of a special meeting and the purpose or purposes for which the special meeting is called shall be delivered within ten (10) days of receipt of a written request for a special meeting as set forth in Article V, Section C of these By-Laws and such special meeting must be scheduled within twenty-

one (21) days of receipt of such written request. Written or printed notice of special meetings shall be delivered, either personally or by mail, or at the direction of, the President or the Secretary or the officers or persons calling the special meeting, to each member entitled to vote at such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to each member entitled to vote at such meeting at their address as it appears on the records of the corporation, with postage thereon paid.

E. Quorum of Voting Members

To constitute a quorum at a CPB meeting there must be a minimum of 50% of total number of teams plus one (1) from the previous season, two Pub Owners, and at least four members of the Board of Directors present. (Of the four members of the Board of Directors, two must be officers).

F. Voting of Members

Each Voting Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the Voting Members. Voting Members are Team Captains (or a team member designated by the Team Captain to vote in his place), the Board of Directors (excluding the last past President, League Administrator, A.D.O. Representative, Editor of Publications, and the Board Parliamentarian), and Pub Owners (or an employee thereof designated by the Pub Owner to vote in his place). All votes shall be cast in person or by mail/fax, if approved by the Board of Directors. (CPB 07-10-05)

VI. OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND COMMITTEES

A. Management

The affairs of the DDA shall be managed by the Board of Directors. The authority of the Board of Directors shall be limited to whatever extent as may be set forth in these By-Laws. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall have the power to make any decisions it deems necessary to conduct the business of the DDA. However, the Board's rulings may be overruled by a 2/3 vote of a regular or special CPB meeting.

B. Number of Directors

The number of Directors which constitutes the whole Board of Directors shall be no less than sixteen (16). The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Tournament of Tournaments Director, Mixed Doubles Director, Monday Night Director, Tuesday Night Director, Wednesday Night Director, two at-large Directors, two Pub Representatives, League Administrator, A.D.O. Representative, Editor of Publications, Board Parliamentarian, and an Ex-Officio Member who shall be the last past President and who shall only vote in the event of a tie. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by amendment to the By-Laws or as may be provided in the By-Laws, but no decrease shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent director. The number of directors may not be decreased to fewer than three (3). In the absence of a by-law or a provision of the Articles of Incorporation fixing the number of directors or providing for the manner in which the number of directors shall be fixed, the number of directors shall be the same as the number constituting the initial Board of Directors as fixed by the Articles of Incorporation.

C. Removal of Directors

A director may be removed from office for misconduct, dereliction of duty, or incompetence upon two (2) successive 2/3 votes of a quorum of the Board of Directors at two (2) successive regularly scheduled Board meetings. A director may be removed from office pursuant to any procedure therefore provided in the Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws. In the absence of a provision providing for removal, a director may be removed from office, with or without cause, by the persons entitled to elect, designate, or appoint the director. If the director was elected to office, removal requires an affirmative vote equal to the vote necessary to elect the director.

D. Vacancies

Unless otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws, any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors. A director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office. Any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of directors shall be filled by election at a CPB meeting or at a special CPB meeting called for that purpose.

E. Duties of Officers and Directors

It will be the responsibility of the newly-elected officers and Board to set up the Fall League with the advice and assistance, as requested, of the out-going officers and Board.

[1] President

The President shall be the executive officer of the DDA. He shall act as Chairman of the Board of Directors and act as the presiding officer of the CPB meetings. He shall act as an exofficio member of all committees, appoint committees as elsewhere specified, and be generally responsible to members of the DDA for the proper operation of the Association. He shall maintain the rules of order at all DDA meetings when there is no Board Parliamentarian currently serving or in the absence of a currently serving Board Parliamentarian.

[2] Vice President

The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President during his absence, act as supervisor of tournament events, and chair the Publicity Committee. He shall oversee the disbursement of the tournament equipment owned by the DDA.

[3] Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive all DDA funds and maintain them in a bank or savings account approved by the Board of Directors. He must be bonded for an amount set by the Board of Directors, as must any other DDA officers or members who handle DDA funds regularly, with the cost of those bonds being paid by the DDA. The Treasurer will appoint and supervise DDA members who collect funds at tournaments and other events where bonding is not feasible. He shall maintain an accurate account of all monies collected and disbursed, with a supporting file of bills and invoices. He shall submit copies of a financial report to each of the Board of Directors at the meeting following the end of each league season and at meetings following major tournaments

or other financially important events. He shall present the books for review at all Board meetings. He shall, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, prepare a budget showing anticipated income and expense of each league season and make copies of the finished budget available to all Voting Members and Board members. He shall be responsible for filing all federal, state, and local tax records as required by law and arrange for an outside annual audit at the end of each DDA year. The above shall be executed per standard business practices and as required by law and these By-Laws.

[4] Secretary

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the DDA, which shall be an accurate and official record of all business transacted. He shall be responsible for the notification of all CPB and Board meetings. He shall co-chair the Scheduling Committee, which shall be responsible for scheduling competition for all league play. He shall be responsible, along with the League Administrator, for the custody of all DDA records and shall cause other notices and information to be mailed as directed by the Board of Directors. Minutes of all Board Meetings and CPB meetings are to be made available prior to the following Board or CPB meeting.

[5] Tournament of Tournaments Director

The Tournament of Tournaments Director shall run the Tournament of Tournaments, enforce its rules, and keep all statistical records thereof. The Treasurer shall be responsible for monitoring all monies received or distributed on behalf of any Tournament of Tournaments event as outlined in Article VI, Section E, Subsection [3] of these By-Laws.

[6] Directors

Directors will serve as liaisons between the teams and members and the Board of Directors. They will disseminate information to the Board and to teams and members they represent as required and will serve as arbiters in the first hearings of protest for their respective night/format. In addition to these duties, Directors shall participate in standing and temporary committees as requested by the President and in staging tournaments.

[7] Pub Representatives

The Pub Representatives shall serve as liaisons between pubs which are members of the DDA and the Board of Directors. The term of office for each Pub Representative shall be one year, which shall end on June 30th of each year. Only owners of pubs which are members of the DDA may be eligible.

F. Quorum and Voting Directors

A quorum for the transaction of business by the Board of Directors shall be half of the number of Board of Directors plus one. The act of the majority of the directors at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

G. Committees

[1] Committees Which Exercise Authority of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors in office, may designate one or more committees, which, to the extent provided in such resolution or in the By-Laws, shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the DDA. Each such committee shall consist of two or more persons, a majority of whom are directors; the remainder need not be directors. The designation of such committees and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual director, of any responsibility imposed upon it or him by law. Any non-director who becomes a member of any such committee shall have the same responsibility with respect to such committee as a director who is a member thereof.

[2] Committees Which Cannot Exercise Authority of Board of Directors

Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the DDA may be designated and appointed by a resolution adopted by a majority of the directors at a meeting at which a quorum is present or by the President there unto authorized by a like resolution of the Board of Directors or by the Articles of Incorporation or by the By-Laws. Membership on such committees may, but need not be, limited to directors.

[3] Appointment of Committees

Committees shall be appointed by the President and ratified by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

[4] Standing Committees

**Standing committees shall be headed by an officer of the DDA but must contain at least one member from the membership at large. The standing committees are:
Editorial and Publicity Committee
Scheduling Committee
Awards Committee**

[5] Temporary Committees

Temporary committees may be appointed by the President, serving without formal ratification.

[6] Term of Committees

Membership of all committees shall end on June 30th of each year.

H. Place and Notice of Director's Meetings

[1] Place of Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors, regular or special, may be held either within or without this State and will be held in a public place with adequate facilities.

[2] Regular Meetings of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall hold monthly meetings. Each Board, after the Third CPB Meeting, shall set the day of each month (i.e., second Friday of each month) and time

of the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors. All meetings of the Board of Directors are open to attendance by the membership.

[3] Special Meetings of Board of Directors

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by petition of 2/3 of the sitting Board. Such meetings shall be called only for matters of great urgency to the DDA as a whole. Appeals from protest hearings, forfeitures, or suspensions set by the appropriate officer or committee shall be heard only at regular meetings.

I. Officers

Officers of the DDA shall consist of a president and a secretary and may also consist of one or more vice-presidents, a treasurer, and such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary, each of whom shall be elected or appointed at such time and in such manner and for such terms (not exceeding three (3) years) as may be prescribed in the By-Laws. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of president and secretary. A committee duly designated may perform the functions of any officer and the functions of any two or more officers may be performed by a single committee, including the functions of both president and secretary.

J. Removal of Officers

An officer may be removed from office for misconduct, dereliction of duty, or incompetence upon two (2) successive 2/3 votes of a quorum of the Board of Directors at two (2) successive regularly scheduled Board meetings. Any officer elected or appointed may be removed by the persons authorized to elect or appoint such officer whenever, in their judgment, the best interests of the DDA will be served thereby. The removal of an officer shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.

K. Nomination, Qualification, and Election of Officers and Directors

[1] Nominations

Candidates for elective office shall be nominated at the Spring CPB Meeting. Before acceptance of nominations by the Chair of the Spring CPB Meeting, the qualifications and duties of each office as set forth in these By-Laws shall be read aloud.

Acceptance of nomination by each nominated individual shall constitute an acceptance of the responsibilities of office and a confirmation of qualifications for office. Acceptance will be assumed if the individual is present and does not decline. Acceptance will be solicited by the Secretary if the nominated individual is not present.

[2] Qualifications

An acceptable candidate for an elected office must have been a bonafide member of the DDA during the previous league season and never have been removed from any office or appointed position in the DDA except for honorable resignation or expiration of term of office. If an elected officer of the DDA resigns during his term of office for reasons other than to accept a newly-elected office, he shall not be allowed to run for any office for one year following the end of his elected term. These qualifications may

be waived by a majority of a quorum of the CPB when the nominations are made. If a current member of the Board of Directors wishes to run for an office in the year immediately following his election, he may do so without resigning from office. The only time he must resign from the first office held is if the first office held and the newly elected office is as President and Secretary. If this occurs then the position resigned from will be filled in accordance with Article VI, Section D of the By-laws. (CPB 7-13-08)

[3] Election

[a] Two-Year Terms

The President, Secretary, Monday Night Director, Tuesday Night Director, and Wednesday Night Director shall be elected in even-numbered years. The Vice-President, Treasurer, Mixed-Doubles Director, two (2) at-large directors (who will be assigned to a league night by the Board of Directors after the election), and Tournament of Tournaments Director shall be elected in odd-numbered years. The election shall be made by secret ballot. Each director shall be elected by a majority of a quorum of the CPB. The term of office shall run from July 1st through June 30th.

[b] One-Year Terms

Two Pub Representatives shall be elected annually by the owners of the pubs that are current pub members of the DDA. The time and place of such elections shall be set by the Board of Directors.

L. Appointed Officers

Appointed Officers of the DDA shall be the Editor of Publications, the Board Parliamentarian, and the A.D.O. Representative. Each shall serve for a term of one year, which shall end on June 30th of each year. Appointed Officers shall be appointed by the President and ratified by a majority of the Board of Directors. Appointed Officers of the Board of Directors shall have no vote at board meetings unless the current Board rules otherwise.

[1] Duties of Appointed Officers

[a] Editor of Publications

The Editor of Publications shall be responsible for the compilation and publication of newsletters about and for the DDA as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Board of Directors.

[b] Board Parliamentarian

The Board Parliamentarian shall maintain the rules of order at all DDA meetings.

[c] American Dart Organization ("A.D.O.") Representative

The A.D.O. Representative shall be responsible for all A.D.O. affiliated playoffs and events associated with and involving the DDA and its members. He shall also be responsible for reporting any and all pertinent information about the DDA and its members to the A.D.O. and vice-versa.

VII. BOOKS AND RECORDS

A. Corporate Books and Records

The DDA shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its Members, Board of Directors, and committees having any authority of the Board of Directors and shall keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of its Voting and Non-Voting members.

B. Other Records

All other records, including, but not limited to, those pertaining to league play, financial matters, business transactions, tournament activities, or any other matter deemed of record by the Board of Directors or the CPB shall be kept, maintained, and compiled at the principal office.

C. Examination of Books and Records

A member of the DDA, on written demand stating the purpose of the demand, has the right to examine and copy, in person or by agent, accountant, or attorney, at any reasonable time, for any proper purpose, the books and records of the DDA relevant to that purpose, at the expense of the member.

VIII. LOANS TO DIRECTORS PROHIBITED

No loans shall be made by the DDA to its directors. Pursuant to Article 1396-2.25 of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act (as amended), the directors of the DDA who vote for or assent to the making of a loan to a director of the DDA, and any officer or officers participating in the making of such loan, shall be held jointly and separately liable to the DDA for the amount of such loan until repayment thereof.

IX. PAID OFFICERS AND CONTRACTORS

No officers of the DDA shall receive payment or remuneration for their services (except for approved expenses which shall be reimbursed to them) provided, however, that the Board of Directors may, at its discretion, contract for services which demand more time than a volunteer worker would reasonably be expected to give.

X. LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR

The DDA shall contract the services of an individual who will serve and act as the League Administrator for the DDA.

A. Duties

The League Administrator shall compile results of all League matches and publish, in a timely manner, weekly result sheets for league play and playoffs. The League Administrator shall co-chair the Scheduling Committee, which shall be responsible for scheduling competition for all League play; attend Board meetings, (participating as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors); and be responsible, in conjunction with the Secretary, for the custody of all DDA records. The League Administrator will be responsible for decisions and actions necessary for the day-to-day running of DDA league play. Additional duties may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

B. Compensation

The League Administrator shall be paid for his contracted services performed on behalf of the DDA at a rate to be agreed upon by and between the Board of Directors and the League Administrator.

C. Selection & Contract Term

The President shall be responsible for selecting an independent contractor to act as the League Administrator. The President's selection may be overruled by a 2/3 vote of a quorum of the Board of Directors. The DDA shall contract with an independent contractor on an annual basis, which may or may not be renewed at the end of the term of the contract.

XI. AMENDING AND REPEALING BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors may amend or repeal these By-Laws or adopt new by-laws unless (i) the Articles of Incorporation or the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act reserves the power exclusively to the members in whole or in part; (ii) the management of the corporation is vested in its members; or (iii) the members in amending, repealing, or adopting a particular by-law expressly provide that the Board of Directors may not amend or repeal that by-law.

A. Proposed Amendments

Any Amendment to these By-Laws may be proposed at a regular CPB meeting to be adopted (1) by a majority vote of the CPB provided that the proposed amendment(s) is submitted to the Board of Directors and receives the approval of the Board of Directors prior to being adopted or (2) by a 2/3 vote of the CPB present at the following CPB meeting.

B. Submission of Proposed Amendments

Proposed amendments to the By-Laws shall be submitted in writing, one (1) original to the Secretary and one (1) copy for each member of the current Board of Directors. The proposed amendment must be submitted at least fifteen (15) minutes before a Board of Directors meeting or CPB meeting.

C. Format of Proposed Amendments

The format for proposed amendments shall show one paragraph of the by-law as it currently reads, a separate paragraph of the by-law as it would read with the change and with the said change appearing in bold type or underlined. The proposal shall include the name of the Pub Owner or the individual member submitting the proposal, their DDA membership number, and their team name, if applicable. Further explanation, scope, or purpose for the proposed amendment is optional.

D. Refusal of Proposed Amendments

The President or presiding official of the CPB meeting or the Board of Directors meeting reserves the right to refuse any proposed amendment to the By-Laws which is not submitted in the proper format or in a timely manner before the meeting.

E. Effective Date of Amendments

All amendments shall become effective at the commencement of the next league season unless otherwise provided for in the amendment.

**DALLAS DARTS ASSOCIATION, INC.
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. LEAGUE PLAY

The DDA league play shall consist of a Fall and Spring League, with separate playoffs for each schedule. All league schedules, playoffs and tournaments will be handled by the Scheduling Committee with the approval of the Board of Directors.

2. COLORS

The official colors of the DDA shall be red, white and blue.

3. AMENDMENTS

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Proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations shall be submitted in writing, one (1) original to the Secretary and one (1) copy for each member of the current Board of Directors. The proposed amendment must be submitted at least fifteen (15) minutes before a Board of Directors meeting or CPB meeting.

C. Format of Proposed Amendments

The format for proposed amendments shall show one paragraph of the rule/regulation as it currently reads, a separate paragraph of the rule/regulation as it would read with the change and with the said change appearing in bold type or underlined. The proposal shall include the name of the Pub Owner or the individual member submitting the proposal, their DDA membership number, and their team name, if applicable. Further explanation, scope, or purpose for the proposed amendment is optional.

D. Refusal of Proposed Amendments

The President or presiding official of the CPB meeting or the Board of Directors meeting reserves the right to refuse any proposed amendment to the Rules and Regulations which is not submitted in the proper format or in a timely manner before the meeting.

E. Effective Date of Amendments

All amendments shall become effective at the commencement of the next league season unless otherwise provided for in the amendment.

4. ATTENDANCE AT C.P.B. MEETINGS

Attendance by a representative of returning, current or new teams at CPB meetings scheduled by the Board of Directors is encouraged. A representative is a member of the team from the previous or current season. Represented teams shall automatically receive five (5) points (Classic and A-1 teams will receive 10 points) for attendance at the Fall and Spring CPB meeting. These points will be added to the win column. However; only returning teams will

be allowed to vote at the meetings prior to the start of a regular season. These points will be automatic and each team shall be notified through published standings.

Exemptions: Any Mixed Doubles, Classic or Ladies team with two or more members on the Board of Directors and any regular or mixed doubles team whose captain is a current member of the Board of Directors will receive the points only if those individuals on the Board of Directors are in attendance at the CPB meeting. Should a current member of the Board of Directors be a captain of two or more teams, only one team may receive the exemption if the Board member is in attendance at the CPB meeting. (CPB 12-13-09)

The Board of Directors of the Dallas Darts Association reserves the right to reinstate five (5) penalty points (Classic and A-1 teams receive 10 penalty points) for non-attendance of a CPB meeting if a quorum is not met at two (2) consecutive CPB meetings. (CPB 07-10-05)

5. DUES

A. Individual Dues

**\$20.00 for each Fall and Spring season (due at registration time) for all league activities.
\$10.00 per year for Tournament of Tournaments only.
(CPB 05-15-2022)**

B. Team Dues

For all teams playing in each Fall and Spring season, team dues shall be \$35.00 per team per league schedule. These dues shall accompany the team roster, and, along with the roster, will enroll the team in the league, subject to scheduling by the Board of Directors. Any team failing to submit the roster and accompanying dues on time will be ineligible for play that season. (CPB 07-08-07)

C. Dues are not refundable under any circumstances.

D. At registration dues must be paid by either money order, cashiers check or a pub check. When accompanying an add sheet, during the season, dues may be paid by cash, check, money order or cashiers check.

6. TEAM ROSTERS

A. Each team shall have a captain.

B. Team rosters for all divisions must be submitted by the team captain, or by a listed team member of the team, at least three (3) weeks prior to the start of the league schedule. This provision may be waived by the President or League Administrator. There must be a minimum of six names and a maximum of ten names on the rosters for the A-1, A-2, B, a minimum of four rookies and a maximum of five rookies plus the sponsoring team members for Rookie divisions; a minimum of four names and a maximum of seven names for Classic divisions; a minimum of four names and a maximum of six names for Monday Night Ladies league. ALL rosters must include a designated captain and alternate captain, both of whom must sign the roster. If a team indicates they wish to play in Mixed Doubles, provision has been made for two Mixed Doubles Leagues; an Open Mixed Doubles and a B/A-2 League Mixed Doubles. Participation in the Open Mixed Doubles League is assumed unless "B/A-2

League" is noted on the roster. Eligible participation in B/A-2 League Mixed Doubles requires the roster to have either new players or players with current/ongoing B or A-2 League participation. These players may not have been members of any team which played above the A-2 level in the previous season or which qualified to move above the A-2 level by virtue of its performance the previous regular season. (CPB 12/11/16)

C. All decisions concerning player eligibility will be at the discretion of the League Administrator. Discretionary powers may only be used to the extent these Rules and Bylaws do not address a problem and may not be used to provide an exception to existing Rules and/or Bylaws.

D. ALL ROSTERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY ALL DUES.

E. A \$20.00 late fee will be charged for all rosters submitted after the deadline. (CPB 7/14/13)

F. Team folders will be distributed at a time and location to be determined by the League Administrator. The team folders will be distributed in a timely manner, prior to the start of the season, to all teams. The time and location will be announced no later than one week after roster turn-in in a manner to be determined by the League Administrator. Folders must be picked up by the team captain of record, by a listed member of the team, or by a person holding a proxy from the team captain at the time and location specified by the League Administrator. If the team folder is not picked up at this time it will be left at the pick-up location as announced for the captains to pick up before league starts. (CPB 05-15-22)

7. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS ON A TEAM

A. The maximum number of players on a roster shall be limited to ten (10) on A-1, A-2, B and Rookie division teams, seven (7) on Classic and six (6) on Ladies division teams and shall be eight (8) on Mixed Doubles League teams (maintaining a 50/50 male-female ratio on Mixed Doubles, when there is an even number of players on a team), and five (5) rookies plus the sponsoring team for Rookie teams. (CPB 12/16/12)

B. A player may resign from his team. Resignation from a Classic, A-1, A-2, B, Rookie or Mixed Doubles League team, will result in ineligibility of that player to be added back onto the team from which he resigned for the balance of that season's play in any of the above leagues. He is eligible to join any other team within the provisions of Rule 8 Section E.

C. A player may be terminated by his team through the completion of Player Change Form to League Administrator at scores@dallasdartsassociation.org. A terminated player will be eligible to join any team. (CPB 05-15-22)

D. Addition of a player must be by submission of the appropriate form (add sheet) to the Board of Directors. If a new player is added on the night of a match, both team captains must sign the add sheet prior to that match and it must accompany that night's scorecard, along with the individual dues, when applicable.

- E. Teams may add players to their roster until Week # 10 of the scheduled league season. At the conclusion of playing Week # 10, No additions may be made to any team roster.**
- F. A player may play on only one regular league team per week, excluding Mixed Doubles and Monday Night Ladies leagues, and Rookie league. (CPB 12/11/16)**

8. DIVISIONS

A. The DDA shall be divided into divisions with a minimum of four teams and a maximum of eight teams in Classic, A-1, A-2, B, Rookie, Open Mixed Doubles, B/A2 Mixed Doubles, and Monday Night Ladies divisions. (CPB 12/13/09)

B. All regular league divisions shall play their matches on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights. Mixed Doubles shall play on Thursday night. Ladies divisions will play on Monday night. (CPB 12/13/09)

C. At the end of each season, teams will be required to either advance to the next highest level or drop to the next lowest level of play. This determination shall be based on the final standings and playoff results as outlined below:

[1] The A-1 Playoff winner and the Division winner with the best won-lost percentage (other than the Playoff winner) will move to the Classic Division.

[2] Each A-2 and B playoff winner will move to the next highest league.

[3] The two division winners with the best won-lost percentage on each night of play will move to the next highest league. If Playoff winner is from that night, then only the Playoff winner moves. (CPB 12-13-09)

[4] If there is only one division, the Playoff winner and the team with the highest won-lost percentage (other than the Playoff winner) will move to the next highest league.

[5] Rookie teams may play in the Rookie division for only one season and all Rookie players must move to B Division, or higher, in subsequent seasons. (CPB 12/11/16)

[6] The team with the lowest won-lost percentage in full Classic, A-1, and A-2, and B Divisions on each night will move to the next lowest Division. If a Division has a "BYE", then no team must move downward. (CPB 7-13-08)

D. A-1, and A-2 Division teams must maintain the integrity of their teams with a minimum of four (4) returning members, Classic league with a minimum of three (3) returning members based on the final roster at the end of each season's play. (CPB 7/12/09)

E. Teams advancing due to mandatory movement, disbanded teams and/or individual players from such teams, may not drop to or re-enter in a league lower than that from which they are required to play.

Exceptions:

[1] Any player(s) participating four weeks or less on a disbanded team will be allowed to play in a lower league.

[2] Any player(s) having less than a .300 singles record will be allowed to play in a lower league, if a request is made in writing.

[3] A team and/or players thereof who are required to drop to the next level if finishing in the bottom 2 slots (if applicable) per Rule 8 Section C.

[4] Classic League player(s), if unable to find a Classic League team on which to play, may drop to A-1 only.

[5] A player may choose to not play DDA league for 1 (one) calendar year or 2 (two) consecutive seasons to be eligible to drop 1 (one) league only (Classic to A1, A1 to A2, A2 to B). Level of play (caliber) attained will be a part of the player(s) permanent record. (CPB 12-09-07)

F. All decisions concerning player eligibility will be at the discretion of the League Administrator. Discretionary powers may only be used to the extent these Rules and Bylaws do not address a problem and may not be used to provide an exception to existing Rules and Bylaws. Eligibility decisions can be appealed to the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled meeting.

G. The Scheduling Committee, with prior approval of the Board of Directors, shall retain the right to assign team placement within divisions to maintain a functional competitive schedule.

9. DATE AND TIME OF MATCHES

A. All league competition shall be played in accordance with the schedule set by the DDA.

**B. Any match rescheduled through mutual consent of the concerned captains must be played at the scheduled venue at the date and time approved by the League Administrator. Any match not played or rescheduled within 2 weeks of scheduled match can be considered a forfeit. The league administrator must have notification of any rescheduled match. The league administrator must be notified by player/team who wishes to have their match called a forfeit. (CPB 05-15-22)
When rescheduling a match, you must include the league Administrator and nightly director in all communications (via text or e-mail) regarding the rescheduling process. (CPB 05-15-22)**

C. Rosters must be made out by 7:45p.m. The home team will fill out the home side of the score sheet. The score sheet will then be folded by the home team so the visiting team cannot see the home team lineup. The score sheet will be handed to the visiting team with the home roster **FACE DOWN so that the visiting team has no knowledge of the home team lineup. Starting time for the first game of a match is within 15 minutes of 7:45 p.m. Any match not under way by 8:15p.m. can be subject to forfeit. (CPB 05-15-22)**

- D. No adjustments are allowed in the team lineup once the score sheet has been folded open. A player on the night's lineup has to be present when his turn to play comes up or forfeiture rules go into effect. No substitutions will be allowed after the lineup sheet has been opened. (See rule 13.J)**
- E. The Board of Directors of the DDA shall reserve the right to reschedule any matches, if necessary, to maintain an equitable and efficient competition schedule.**
- F. Once a league season has commenced, no team is permitted to move from the pub, as stated on the roster, to another location without prior approval of the Board of Directors. (CPB 12-09-07)**

10. MATCH PROFILE

- A. For the Rookie, B and A-2 Divisions, each match consists of six individual games of 301, double start, double finish, worth one match point each; two three-person games of 601, double start, double finish, worth one match point each; and three doubles games of American Killer Cricket, worth one match point each, for a total of eleven match points. The two three-person games of 601 must be played after singles and before doubles. No player may play in more than one singles game, one three-person game and one doubles game. With four players, a team will forfeit two points in singles. A three-person game played with two players will result in the forfeiting of one turn per round. A three-person game played with only one player will result in the forfeiting of two turns per round. A doubles game played with one player will forfeit one turn per round. For the Rookie League the sponsoring teams two experienced players shall play one each of the first or last singles games, one each of the triples games and shall play together in the last cricket game. (CPB 12/15/19)**
- B. The match profile for the A-1 Divisions will consist of six (6) singles of 501, straight start, double finish, the best of two out of three legs, worth one match point per game; two (2) three-person games of 601, double start, double finish, worth three match points each; and three (3) doubles games of American Killer Cricket, worth two match points each, for a possible total of thirty points per match. The two three-person games of 601 must be played after singles and before doubles. No player may play in more than one singles game, one three-person game and one doubles game. With four players, a team will forfeit two points in singles. A three-person game played with two players will result in the forfeiting of one turn per round. A three-person game played with only one player will result in the forfeiting of two turns per round. A doubles game played with one player will forfeit one turn per round. Singles games may be played on two (2) boards, if adequate board space is available, and if both team captains agree. (CPB 12/15/19)**
- C. The match profile for the Classic Divisions will consist of four (4) singles games of 501, straight start, double finish, the best of two out of three legs, worth one match point per game; two (2) doubles games of 501, straight start, double finish, worth two match points per game; four (4) singles games of American Killer Cricket, the best of two out of three legs, worth one match point per game; two (2) doubles games of American Killer Cricket, worth two match points per game; one (1) four-person game of 801, double start, double**

finish worth four match points each, for a possible total of twenty-four points per match. Each player may play a maximum of 5 events but cannot play the same event twice. A four-person game played with three players will result in the forfeiting of one turn per round. A doubles game played with one player will forfeit one turn per round. Singles games may be played on two (2) boards, if adequate board space is available, and if both team captains agree. (CPB 12/15/19)

- D. In Mixed Doubles each match shall consist of nine games. All games played will be mixed doubles of a 1 to 1 male-female ratio. The first four games will be 501 double start, double finish. The next four games will be American Killer Cricket. The last game will be four player 801 double start, double finish. No player may play in more than two of the first four 501 games, two of the four Cricket games and the last 801 game. Each game is worth one match point, for a total of nine. The maximum number of players per team on any one game night shall be eight, with a maximum of four males and four females, and all eight players may play on the same night as long as the above mentioned male-female ratio is observed. (CPB 12/11/16)**
- E. For the Monday Night Ladies League each match consists of three singles games of 301, double start, double finish, worth one match point each; three singles games of American Killer Cricket, worth one match point each; two doubles games of 501, straight start, double finish, worth one match point each; two doubles games of American Killer Cricket, worth one match point each; one three-person game of 601, double start, double finish, worth one match point each; for a total of eleven match points. No player may play in more than one singles 301 game, one singles American Killer Cricket game, one doubles 501 game, one doubles American Killer Cricket game. A doubles game played with one player will forfeit one turn per round. A three-person game played with only one player will result in the forfeiting of two turns per round. (CPB 7/12/09)**
- F. The home team has the prerogative of choosing the board the match is to be played on, if there is more than one board. Further, only one board may be utilized to play an entire match. The only exception to this rule is outlined in Rules 10.B, 10.C, and 15.E.5. Any team(s) caught using two or more boards in order to shorten playing time, shall be penalized up to 5 points at the discretion of the Board of Directors. (CPB 05-15-22)**
- G. No later than thirty minutes before match time, the board must be cleared of players and warm-up allowed for the players in that night's match.**
- H. Once all players have begun warm-up for their game(s), a maximum of nine (9) warm-up darts shall be thrown. No other darts may be thrown during their games on any board other than the match board. (CPB 7/14/13)**
- I. The captains are responsible for the smooth running of each match, and any disputes that arise during the course of play must be settled in private conference of the captains only.**
- J. The captain of the winning team is responsible for the completion and emailing of the scorecard. Emails should be sent to scores@dallasdartsassociation.org. Both captains are responsible for the accuracy of the scorecard, with their signatures attesting to same.**

Lack of a scorecard will not be considered an excuse for the late reporting of results. Late scorecards are those which are received by the League Administrator seventy-two (72) hours after the match has been played. (CPB 05-15-22)

PENALTY: The second late scorecard from a given Rookie/A2/B/or Mixed Doubles team will cause the forfeiture of one point by that team and one point shall be forfeited for all subsequent late scorecards by that team. For Classic and A1 teams the forfeiture will be of 3 points. These points will be subtracted from the teams' wins and added into the teams' losses. (CPB 12-09-07)

11. RULES OF CRICKET

Whenever Cricket is played in a DDA-sponsored event, the game to be played is basically American Killer Cricket, with the following rules:

- A. Innings will be 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, and Bulls.**
- B. Three marks will close an inning.**
- C. Once an inning is closed, a player may score additional points until his opponent closes the inning. Points will be the value of the inning scored on.**
- D. The winner will be the first person to close all innings, provided he is tied or ahead on score.**
- E. A player may mark or score in any unclosed inning without calling his darts.**

12. SCORING

- A. All matches will begin by THROWING THE CORK. In throwing for the bull, the visiting team throws first, thereafter, bullshots alternate. In the case of a tie, the bullshot will be rethrown, with the player who shot first throwing second. This will continue until someone wins the bullshot. The second shooter has the option of asking for either a single or double bull to be pulled. In Classic or A-1 the loser of the first leg has the option of throwing the cork first in the second leg. If a third leg is necessary, the cork will again be thrown, with the loser of the second leg having the option of throwing first for the cork. The dart must remain in the board, in order to count. Additional throws may be made when throwing the cork, until such time as the player's dart remains in the board. Should the second thrower dislodge the dart of the first, a rethrow will be made with the second thrower now throwing first. Rethrows shall be called if the scorer cannot decide which dart is closest to the Cork, or if both darts are anywhere in the inner bull, or both darts are anywhere in the outer bull. Decision of the scorer is final. Should a rethrow be necessary, the person who shot second will now shoot first. In any doubles or team event, the player shooting for the bull may allow his teammate to commence play in that game.**
- B. The captain of each team is responsible for providing a scorer for each match; e.g., home team scorer match 1, visiting team scorer match 2. Any person scoring who is not a member of one of the teams playing must be agreed upon by both captains, and must be familiar with and follow explicitly, all DDA rules.**

- C. The scorekeeper must call out the player's score for each turn prior to the player's taking his turn's thrown darts from the board. For a dart to score, it must remain in the board 5 seconds after the third or final dart has been thrown by that player.**
- D. The foul line will be strictly enforced, and a player must have both feet behind the front edge of the foul line. If a player has one or both feet over the foul line in the judgment of the captain, acting captain or official, the score for that turn will not count. A violating player must be warned immediately by the captain, acting captain or official.**
- E. Any changes made to correct mistakes in calling must be corrected before the darts are pulled from the board. Any mistakes in scoring, either in his favor or against, must be corrected before the player or the team against whom the error was made throws his/their next round. If the player or team against whom the error was made throws the first dart of his next round before the error is corrected, the score stands as scored. If the scoring error is made during a cricket match and corrected after the opposing player or team has started their round, the opposing team may, at their discretion, re-throw their last turn. (CPB 05-15-22)**
- F. If asked by the player the scorekeeper can only tell a player what amount is left to attain and/or what has been scored with the darts that have been thrown. If a scorekeeper tells the player what to shoot at, he can be removed from the scoreboard and, if the player is a teammate of the scorekeeper, the player's score for that turn will not count. It is the player's total responsibility to throw at the right numbers. If he is told what to shoot by anyone and it is the wrong number, the darts stand as thrown and the correct score prevails. Once the final double has been thrown, the game is over.**
- G. A dart shall be scored where the point of the dart first penetrates the plane of the wire spider. The tip of the dart point must be touching the bristle/sisal portion of the board in order for that dart to be counted as score.**
- H. In Doubles/Team events, no player may throw (during a leg) until each of his teammates has completed his throw. The FIRST player throwing out of turn shall receive a score of ZERO points for that round and his team shall FORFEIT that turn, with the players returning to their original line-up. (CPB 05-15-22)**
- I. If any player shoots in a game (single, doubles or triples) he was not scheduled to play according to the official scorecard the team playing the wrong player forfeits that game. Match play resumes with the next game on the scorecard as written. Once the scorecard is signed, all results stand regardless of incorrect play.**
- J. All darts must be thrown by, and from the hand. A throw shall consist of three darts, thrown one at a time, unless a Leg/Match is completed in a lesser amount. Any dart bouncing off, or falling out of the dartboard, shall not be rethrown in that turn.**
- K. A dart shall be considered a thrown dart when it leaves the hand while in the forward motion of throwing.**

- L. Should a player 'touch' any dart that is in the dartboard during a turn, that turn will be deemed to have been completed. No dart may be touched by the thrower, another player, the chalker, or spectator prior to the decision of the chalker. (CPB 12/14/08)**

13. FORFEIT

- A. A forfeit will be declared for failure of a team to attend a match.**
- B. A forfeit will be declared for a team having less than four players in attendance by 8:15 p.m. for the A-1, A-2, B and Rookie divisions; and less than two players in the Classic, Ladies and Mixed Doubles Division (with Mixed Doubles being one man and one woman). (CPB 05-15-22)**
- C. In the A-2, B, and Rookie divisions, during the first half of the league season, a forfeit will be 6-0. In Classic and A-1 divisions a forfeit will be 13-0. The forfeiting team shall receive zero win points, and loss points equal to the number of win points awarded to the other team. After the first half of the season, the team forfeited against will receive either its average number of win points or the forfeiting team's average number of loss points, whichever is greater, with a minimum of 6 points for A-2, B and Rookie divisions and 13 points for Classic and A-1 divisions. Averages will be rounded off to the nearest game. In Mixed Doubles, during the first half of the season, a forfeit will be 5-0. After the first half of the season, the team forfeited against will receive either its average number of win points, or the forfeiting team's average number of loss points, whichever is greater, with a minimum of 5 points. The forfeiting team shall receive zero win points, and loss points equal to the number of win points awarded to the other team. (CPB 12-09-07)**
- D. A team forfeiting two matches during a league schedule of any season will be suspended from the league for the balance of the schedule. When a team drops out of the league, or is forced out of the league at any time during the season, all scores for the season against the dropped team shall become zero wins and zero losses to allow no advantage to be given to any team, and the remainder of the season shall be treated as a bye.**
- E. All non-attending members of a team which forfeits a second time in any season and is subsequently dropped from the schedule, will be suspended from all DDA activities for the remainder of the season and for the following season if no legitimate excuse is given for non-attendance. Any Rookie, B, or A2 team that forfeits the last regularly scheduled match during any regular season, shall be penalized six points in the current standings. These points will be subtracted from the wins and added to loses. Any Mixed Doubles team that forfeits the last regularly scheduled match during any regular season, shall be penalized five points in the current standings. These points will be subtracted from the wins and added to loses. Any Classic or A1 team that forfeits the last regularly scheduled match during any regular season, shall be penalized twelve points in the current standings. These points will be subtracted from the wins and added to loses. "Team" being defined as any four (4) members of the original forfeiting team in regular league play or three (3) members of a mixed doubles team. (CPB 05-15-22)**

- F. A forfeit will be declared for use of an ineligible player or players to the extent that all win points involving such players shall be forfeited to the opposing team or teams. Team captains must be responsible for the integrity of their rosters and for ascertaining the eligibility of each member. When in doubt, team captains should ask to see membership cards, copy of original team roster in team folder, or add sheet. A team which uses ineligible players may appeal such a forfeit and be heard by the Board of Directors, but the forfeit shall stand unless malfeasance by a Board member or opposing team captain created the forfeit situation.**
- G. Any team which knowingly and willfully plays a person known to be ineligible to play on that team shall forfeit, as a penalty, two extra win points (over and above forfeiture of any **Match** points won by that person). In the event that a team shall violate this provision more than once in any season, the team and all members, including the ineligible player, shall be suspended from DDA playoff participation for that season.**
- H. Anyone caught playing on an accredited dart team under an assumed name or caught playing on a team in a division lower than that which he is entitled by virtue of these Rules shall be automatically suspended from the DDA for two consecutive regular (non-summer) seasons. Any acting captain who knowingly uses an illegal player shall also be suspended for two consecutive regular (non-summer) seasons.**
- I. In B/A-2 League Mixed Doubles, a player will be considered ineligible (forfeit of all win points) if found playing in the regular leagues and their team is not in a B/A-2 League. This ineligible status will continue until the player terminates/resigns from the B/A-2 League Mixed Doubles Roster, or adds on a B/A-2 League Team or terminates/resigns their regular league participation. All decisions concerning player eligibility in B/A-2 League Mixed Doubles will be at the discretion of the League Administrator. Discretionary powers may only be used to the extent these Rules and Bylaws do not address a problem and may not be used to provide an exception to existing Rules and/or Bylaws.**
- J. Captains have the right to call a forfeit of any games within the match if the players are not in the match location within 10 minutes of the end of the preceding game. This rule may be waived with BOTH CAPTAINS CONSENT. In doubles or triples games, players can play in their turn when they arrive at the match.**

14. PROTEST

(1) Teams Responsibility

- A. The Captain/Co-Captain of any team or any member of the Board of Directors may file a written protest about any irregularity relating to a DDA-sanctioned event.**
- B. You must write the word "PROTEST" on the scorecard.**
- C. All details of the protest must be sent to the League Administrator, nightly Director, and the opposing team within 48 hours of the completion of the match or event.**
- D. This can be done by E-mail with the header marked PROTEST. It must be submitted within 48 hours. (CPB 05-15-22)**
- E. Both teams must sign the scorecard. Refusal to sign the score card does not negate the protest proceedings.**
- F. You must send in a refundable \$50.00 deposit to ensure a Board hearing.**

- G. Failure to be represented by at least one team member at any such hearing(s) will result in forfeiture of the deposit.**

IF any of these above items are not completed; it could result in an invalid protest.

(2) Board of Directors Responsibilities:

- A. All hearings will be at the Board's discretion.**
- B. The Board will decide whether or not it is a valid protest.**
- C. Will take a vote of members to decide if a hearing is necessary.**
- D. Notify both teams of the date, time and location of the hearing.**
- E. To determine and implement any and all actions as a result of the protest.**

(3) Appeals

- A. It is possible to appeal a vote of the Board or any decision made by the Board to the CPB, it does require a refundable \$100.00 deposit.**
- B. Failure to be represented by at least one team member at any such hearing(s) will result in forfeiture of the deposit. (CPB 07-09-06)**

15. PLAYOFFS

- A. Separate criteria will be used to determine which teams shall be in the playoffs for all DDA leagues.**
- B. No playoffs shall begin until a final order of finish has been determined in every division of all DDA leagues.**
- C. No playoffs shall begin until all protests dealing with regular season play have been heard by a quorum of the Board of Directors and appropriate action taken.**
- D. The Scheduling Committee will arrange separate playoffs for all DDA leagues, at the end of regular season play, using the following methods:**

[1] If one division exists the playoffs shall consist of four teams. The top seed (determined by winning percentage) will play the fourth seed and the second seed will play the third seed. The winners of each match will then play for the Championship.

[2] If two divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top three teams from each division.

[3] If three divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division plus two wild card teams.

[4] If four divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division.

[5] If five divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division plus two wild card teams.

[6] If six divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division plus four wild card teams.

[7] If seven divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division plus two wild card teams.

[8] If eight or more divisions exist the playoffs shall consist of the top two teams from each division.

E. Playoff Match Profile

[1] Playoff matches for all DDA leagues shall be arranged at the discretion of the Scheduling Committee, but bracketing will be on the basis of seeding when possible. That is, Division winners will be the top seeds, 2nd place teams will be next and Wildcard teams will be the last seeds. The best record goes in the top bracket, second best goes in the bottom bracket, and so forth.

[2] All playoff matches in the A-2, B and Rookie Divisions will be a "best of 22" format, with full 11 game matches played. Separate rosters will be made out for each 11 game match, with a 10 minute break between each match. Each 11 game match shall be the same as regular league. All Classic and A-1 Divisions will be the first team to 31 points, or until they cannot be overtaken by the other team. In case of a tie for the Classic, A1, A2, B and Rookie divisions, one four-person team of 1001, SS-DO, will be played as a tie-breaker. The Ladies division will play one four-person team of 801, DI-DO, as a tie-breaker. We suggest that teams start their matches at 7:30, due to the length of playoff matches. No forfeit will be called until 8:30pm. (CPB 05-15-22)

[3] Playoff matches for Mixed Doubles league shall be the best of 18 standard format games. Separate rosters will be made out for each 9 game match, with a 10 minute break between match. Each 9 game match shall be the same as regular league. In case of a tie, one four-person mixed (two males & two females) team of 801, DI-DO, will be played as a tie-breaker. (CPB 05-15-22)

[4] The procedure for filling out the scorecard is as follows. The highest seeded team shall be "home team" for the first card. The lower seeded team will be the "home team" for the second card. The "home team" fills out the scorecard first.

[5] During the playoffs, team captains may agree to use two (2) boards for singles games provided there are enough boards in the pub to allocate three (3) boards for the match (a practice board still must be available to the players.) Singles games must be played in the same order that is on the scorecard. All other games will be played with one (1) board only. (CPB 07-10-05)

F. WILD CARD TEAMS

[1] Wild card teams shall be the third-place teams in the league with the best won-lost percentage during regular season play.

[2] In the event the two wild card teams have the same percentage (four places .0000) for seeding purposes, a coin flip will be made by the league Administrator to determine which wild card team shall receive the higher seeding.

[3] In the event that three or more third-place teams have an identical winning percentage, the first tie-breaker will be the percentage of matches won. If still tied the Scheduling Committee will arrange a round robin, tie-breaker match, with the Board of Directors responsible for drawing up the rules of play for the match and setting forth the criteria for determining which teams shall be the wild card teams, and how they will be seeded.

G. FINAL ORDER OF FINISH

[1] The team with the best won-lost record during regular season play shall be the first-place team in a division; the team with the second best won-lost record during regular season play shall be the second-place team, and so forth.

[2] Positions within the leagues and divisions of the DDA shall be determined by won-lost record. Won-lost record shall be the percentage achieved by dividing the total games won by the total games played (less any penalty points assessed), and rounding off the result to the third decimal point.

[3] In the event that at the end of regular season play any two or more teams in the same division have identical won-lost records, the first tie-breaker will be head to head competition (match wins), the second tie-breaker will be the percentage of matches won. If still tied, a tie-breaker match will be scheduled by the Scheduling Committee. (CPB 12-14-03)

[4] Tie-breaking methods will be used only if the teams are involved in the playoffs or will be affected by mandatory movement.

H. All pubs scheduled for a league playoff match must make available at least one additional board separate from the match board to be used for practice by those persons involved in the playoff match. Adequate seating for the teams and spectators should be reserved for their use. (CPB 05-15-22)

I. In DDA league playoffs the team with the higher win percentage shall have "home team" advantage during said playoffs with the playoff match being held at their home pub, whenever possible.

In the case of two teams, who are to play each other in the playoffs, having the same win percentage a neutral pub will be used. Should two or more teams from the same home bar be in the playoffs, and they also have the higher win percentage over their opponents, the team with the highest win percentage shall have "home team" advantage. If space is available, more than one match can be played; if not a neutral pub will be used. Since all possibilities cannot be anticipated any other scenarios that come up will be handled on a case by case basis by the league administrator.

J. The DDA shall endeavor to have a Board member or a representative of the DDA present at all playoff matches to referee play.

16. EQUIPMENT

- A. All league competition, including tournaments and playoffs, shall be conducted on a standard English "bristle" 20-point clock-faced dart board of top quality.**
- B. Dart boards shall be placed five feet and eight inches from the floor to the center of the bull's-eye, with the "20" bed at the top center. This wedge must be dark-colored.**
- C. The pub owner will be responsible for supplying and maintaining the league play dart board, which must be deemed acceptable for play by the Board of Directors.**
- D. The foul line will be seven feet nine and one-quarter inches from the surface of the board, measured along the floor to the front edge of the line, and will be at least 18 inches on either side of center.**
- E. All league play dart boards shall be firmly anchored and well illuminated with a floodlight-type light.**
- F. A scoring surface must be provided and located in such a position that the score may be read easily by the players and spectators.**
- G. The dart board wire spider must not be broken, and the double and triple rings must be within a tolerance 1/32" of the normal space measurement of 3/8".**
- H. Darts used in league play shall not exceed an overall length maximum length of 30.5 cm (12 inches) nor weigh more than 50 grams per dart. Each dart shall consist of a recognizable point, barrel and flight.**

17. ENVIRONMENT

It is the responsibility of the pub owner and home team captain to see that normal pub-type environment is maintained during league play. Excessive noise, loud machines near the dart area, and extremely loud and boisterous behavior should be avoided. Repeated offenses of this nature may result in the pub being suspended from the DDA.

18. DDA Supported Activities

Fifty cents (\$.50) of each individual dues is to go toward a discretionary fund to be dispersed by the Board of Directors. This fund will go toward ADO (American Darts Organization) qualifying, ADO Youth qualifying, T of T (Tournament of Tournaments), and any other non-league DDA events. At the CPB meetings prior to the Spring and Fall Regular seasons the CPB must reaffirm the allocation of DDA money to this fund. (CPB 05-15-22)

19. PLAYER CONDUCT

Heckling or other harassment is forbidden. A team may make as much noise as it wants while it is throwing, but must remain quiet while the other team is throwing. All players and spectators must give the thrower plenty of room to throw, and must refrain from undue movement in or near the dartboard lane. Repeated harassment or loud, foul language may result in forfeiture of up to six match points. Physical abuse will not be tolerated and can result in suspension or termination as per Article IV Section D. of the DDA Bylaws.

20. DISCRIMINATION

The DDA shall practice no discrimination because of age, sex, race, religion, or national origin, and all reference to "he" in the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations shall apply to "she" as well.

21. OWING MONEY TO THE DDA

Any DDA member who owes money to the Association for whatever reason, and who does not pay same within thirty (30) days after demand is made for payment by Certified Mail to the player's last known mailing address, shall be suspended from participation in any DDA activities, including league play, tournament play, Tournament of Tournaments play, and all other activities.

22. GAMBLING

The DDA feels that an official DDA rule against gambling would be redundant with the existing State and Federal laws on the same subject. However, the Association takes the position that the DDA is a law-abiding organization, and will not encourage betting, gambling, or any other illegal acts during DDA-sanctioned events.

23. TOURNAMENT OF TOURNAMENTS (T OF T)

Participants of Tournament of Tournaments (T of T) shall adhere to the rules and regulations of play as approved by the C.P.B. effective August 7, 1992. A copy of these rules will be included in the Team Folder and becomes a part of DDA play.

24. AWARDS PRESENTATION

An awards presentation will be held following each league schedule playoffs. The date and place of the awards presentation will be determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

DDA SUPPORTED (NON-LEAGUE) ACTIVITIES

American Darts Organization (ADO).

As a member of the ADO, the Dallas Darts Association participates in ADO sanctioned qualifying events. The DDA holds qualifying leagues for those DDA members interested in participating. The entry fee and league rules are set by the ADO Representative. Those who qualify then get to participate in our regional ADO qualifying shoot. Should a DDA representative win the regional shoot the ADO then pays for the member to travel to the national level to participate. Men and women participate in separate leagues

The youth ADO qualifying is usually held in the summer. The DDA's Youth ADO representative will have further information upon request.

Tournament of Tournaments (T of T) is a DDA sanctioned tournament that is held in DDA participating pubs. The T of T shoots consist of the best of three, 301 DI/DO games. It is in the format of a regular tournament with no loser's bracket. Each member who pays the entry fee automatically gets one point, for each match that is won they receive one more point. The object is to get to the top of the points list and take a free trip to an out-of-state dart tournament on the DDA. T of T has its own bank account, so the money must be in the bank before a trip can be taken.

The Darter's "10 Commandments" For Keeping Score

- [1]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not talk while keeping score!**
- [2]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not move about while keeping score, Stand Still!**
- [3]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not look at the shooter, stand facing the board!**
- [4]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not call out a score, of one dart or all three--unless the shooter asks you!**
- [5]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not tell a shooter what to shoot or what combination to shoot for an out!**
- [6]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not change a score unless it is brought to the attention of both shooters (teams).**
- [7]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not change a score--regardless--if that player (team) has shot again and a second score written down. An error in a shooter's score **MUST** be corrected **BEFORE** he(team) shoots again or the score stands.**
- [8]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not lean out to see where a dart is or is going nor shall he follow the darts with body or head movement.**
- [9]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not show any sign of disgust or excitement while at the scoreboard!**
- [10]. The Scorekeeper Shall Not change the side of the scoreboard of the player in three leg matches or a team during a league match...if you start a player(team) on the left side of the scoreboard, continue to keep his(their) score on the left-regardless of what the bull shots are.**

The "10 Commandments" were originally written by Sarah Parsons in the 1970's.

**DID YOU KNOW THESE RULES...?
AS FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THIS BOOK!**

9. DATE AND TIME OF MATCHES

- C. Rosters must be made out by 7:45p.m. The home team will fill out the home side of the score sheet. The score sheet will then be folded by the home team so the visiting team cannot see the home team lineup. The score sheet will be handed to the visiting team with the home roster FACE DOWN so that the visiting team has no knowledge of the home team lineup. Starting time for the first game of a match is within 15 minutes of 7:45p.m. Any match not under way by 8:15p.m. can be subject to forfeit. (CPB 05-15-22)**

10. MATCH PROFILE

- G. No later than thirty minutes before match time, the board must be cleared of players and warm-up allowed for the players in that night's match.**
- H. Once all players have begun warm-up for their game(s), a maximum of nine (9) warm-up darts shall be thrown. No other warm-up darts may be thrown during their game(s). (CPB 07-11-10)**
- I. The captains are responsible for the smooth running of each match, and any disputes that arise during the course of play must be settled in private conference of the captains only.**

12. SCORING

- B. The captain of each team is responsible for providing a scorer for each match; e.g., home team scorer match 1, visiting team scorer match 2. Any person scoring who is not a member of one of the teams playing must be agreed upon by both captains, and must be familiar with and follow explicitly, all DDA rules.**
- C. The scorekeeper must call out the player's score for each turn prior to the player's taking his turn's thrown darts from the board. For a dart to score, it must remain in the board 5 seconds after the third or final dart has been thrown by that player.**
- D. The foul line will be strictly enforced, and a player must have both feet behind the front edge of the foul line. If a player has one or both feet over the foul line in the judgment of the captain, acting captain or official, the score for that turn will not count. A violating player must be warned immediately by the captain, acting captain or official.**
- D. Any changes made to correct mistakes in calling must be corrected before the darts are pulled from the board. Any mistakes in scoring, either in his favor or against, must be corrected before the player or the team against whom the error was made throws his/their next round. If the player or team against whom the error was made throws the first dart of his next round before the error is corrected, the score stands as scored. If the scoring error is made during a cricket match and corrected after the opposing player or team has started their round, the opposing team may, at their discretion, re-throw their last turn. The number thrown for is the number that counts. The score of each round must be written next to the running score.**

F. If asked by the player the scorekeeper can only tell a player what amount is left to attain and/or what has been scored with the darts that have been thrown. If a scorekeeper tells the player what to shoot at, he can be removed from the scoreboard and, if the player is a teammate of the scorekeeper, the player's score for that turn will not count. It is the player's total responsibility to throw at the right numbers. If he is told what to shoot by anyone and it is the wrong number, the darts stand as thrown and the correct score prevails. A leg/match is concluded at such time as a player/team hits the "Double" required to reduce their remaining score to zero, all darts thrown subsequently will not count for score. (CPB 7-11-10)

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