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## Article 1

### DECLARATIONS

- 1.01 The name of the organization shall be the “Fort Worth Dart Association, Inc.” hereinafter referred to as FWDA.
- 1.02 The FWDA official colors shall be red, white and blue.
- 1.03 The FWDA motto shall be “Darts: The sport that begins and ends with a handshake”.
- 1.04 The FWDA shall operate on a fiscal year from September 1 through August 31.
- 1.05 FWDA membership will be *open* to residents of *Texas* with discretion reserved by the Board of Directors.

## Article 2

### OBJECTIVE

The FWDA shall be a non-profit organization whose objective shall be to foster and promote the sport of Darts in Fort Worth, Texas and surrounding areas. The FWDA shall be the controlling organization for all leagues and other competition sponsored by the FWDA.

## Article 3

### DUES

- 3.01 **Individual Dues:** Each *Regular Member* of the FWDA shall pay \$30.00 for the full FWDA fiscal year, \$20.00 for Spring season starters and \$10.00 for Summer season only. This is separate from any team dues. Payment of individual dues shall entitle the member to all rights and privileges of the FWDA. Any player new to the FWDA who joins the Association first in the summer season pays \$0.00 for their first league dues. The member will receive a membership card good for the year in which it is issued.
- 3.02 \$1.00 of each regular member’s dues shall be reserved and is their entry fee in the closed, singles event during the “FUNDART WEEKEND TOURNAMENT” to be held annually.
- 3.03 Each *Associate Member* of the FWDA shall pay \$10 for the full or remaining fiscal year, regardless of which season the member starts, and shall have all rights and privileges of regular FWDA membership except league play. Associate membership dues will be applied to the member’s regular dues should they later decide to become a regular member.
- 3.04 **Surcharges:** Membership dues entitle a member to participation on ONE league (Open, Rookie, Mixed, Cricket, or Ladies) per season. For each additional league there shall be a \$5.00 surcharge. (EXCEPTION: Veteran players on Rookie teams do not pay the surcharge).

- 3.05 **Pub Dues** shall be \$35.00 for each team per fall or spring season to be paid by the Home Pub. The pub charge shall be \$25.00 for each team per summer season. If Pub dues are not paid, the team(s) of said Pub will have 30 days to find another pub that will sponsor the team or the team will be responsible for the charge.
- 3.06 Teams with unpaid player dues shall be penalized one win point per week played for each unpaid player on the team's roster. For example, if two players on a team roster have not paid their dues in full, the team will have two points subtracted from their win total for each week they play with these players on the roster, regardless of whether or not the players actually play.

#### Article 4

#### OFFICERS

(Note: Masculine gender pronouns shall include the female gender.)

- 4.01 Each officer of the FWDA Board of Directors shall sign a contract stating responsibilities of that position in detail. Contracts are kept on file in the dart office for viewing by the membership.
- 4.02 The elected Executive Board Officers of the FWDA shall be: President, Vice-President, Association Secretary, League Secretary and Treasurer to be elected by balloting of the general membership ([Article 5.04](#)).
- A. **PRESIDENT:** The president shall act as chairman of the Board of Directors, as presiding officer of the CPB meetings, be an Ex-Officio member of all committees, and be responsible to the members of the FWDA for proper operation of the FWDA. This position shall have a vote only in case of a tie.
- B. **VICE-PRESIDENT:** This position shall have one vote on the Board of Directors with duties including but not limited to:
1. Assuming the duties of the President during absences.
  2. Serving as Editor of the "Mugs Away" newsletter in the absence of a "Mugs" Editor.
  3. Shall lead the Public Relations committee for actively recruiting new members and clubs in the promotion of the FWDA.
  4. Compiling a list of winners of the awards detailed in [Article 25](#) and arranging for plaques to be made and delivered within one month after the completion of the final match of the season.
  5. Updating the winning team names on the Traveling City Champ Trophy Cups, as detailed in [Article 25](#), within one month after the completion of the final match of the season.
  6. Updating the City Singles Champion plaques and/or trophies within one month after the completion of the championship.
  7. Officiating at least one playoff match each season as necessary and bringing appropriate supplies to said match.
  8. Other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
- C. **ASSOCIATION SECRETARY:** This position shall be bonded at the expense of the FWDA and shall have one vote on the Board of Directors with duties including but not limited to:
1. Be responsible for preparation and processing all correspondence (including flyers, posters, banners etc.) concerning FWDA business and for such all files and records kept in the office of the FWDA.
  2. Recording the minutes at each meeting and filing of such minutes physically and/or electronically and making them available for review by the RA or other members upon request.
  3. Adequately ordering and supplying materials as needed by the FWDA Office/Board of Directors (i.e. league forms, envelopes, pens, copy paper, etc.).
  4. Contacting involved members of meeting times and places.
  5. Officiating at least on playoff match each season including bringing appropriate supplies to the match.
  6. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
- D. **LEAGUE SECRETARY:** This position shall be bonded at the expense of the FWDA and shall have one vote on the Board of Directors with duties including but not limited to:
1. Accepting rosters at the beginning of each season with the assistance of the Treasurer.
  2. Typing league and playoff schedules once established by the Scheduling Committee.

3. Assembling Captain and Division books and distributing them with copies to designated Board Members.
4. Keeping current league records, written and on computer, available as needed for mailing lists, record books, etc., as deemed by the Board of Directors.
5. Collection of Final Standings for the purpose of ordering trophies.
6. Overseeing and aiding Division Secretaries in league management.
7. Miscellaneous mailing as needed for league management.
8. Registering new members in appropriate records and distribution of membership cards at the beginning of each season and as necessary throughout each season.
9. Scheduling officiators at playoff matches and serving as officiator at any playoff matches without an officiator (including no-show officiators or none scheduled for a playoff match).
10. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

E. **TREASURER:** This position shall be bonded at the expense of the FWDA and shall have one vote on the Board of Directors with duties including but not limited to:

1. Aiding the League Secretary at roster turn-in by collecting appropriate individual and team dues at the beginning of each season.
2. Paying bills (i.e. rent, electricity, phone, etc.) incurred by the FWDA from FWDA funds.
3. Balancing the checkbook and working with the Registered Agent in keeping the books balanced.
4. Be responsible for the money needed in the registration of events and payouts of winnings of each **event** in any FWDA sponsored tournament.
5. Reporting to the Board of Directors each month the balance of all accounts held in the name of the FWDA.
6. Officiating at least one playoff match each season as needed including bringing any supplies necessary.
7. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

4.03 There shall be one (1) Division Secretary for each league division voted in by a show of Captain's hands of each division at the appropriate CPB meeting. One (1) Registered Agent/Accountant and one (1) ADO Representative shall be appointed by the CPB (Captains, Pub Owners and Board of Directors).

A. **DIVISION SECRETARIES:** A Division secretary, one for each league division, will be elected by a quorum of the Division Captains for each division at the CPB Meetings preceding each league season. Each Division Secretary shall have one vote on the Board of Directors and *is required to attend* the meetings of the Board. Division Secretaries take office immediately upon being elected and hold office until a new Division Secretary is elected for that division in the next CPB. A *Division Secretary IS NOT REQUIRED to be a Team Captain.* Duties shall include but are not limited to:

1. Representing their league at monthly board meetings.
2. Collecting current information on members, organizing weekly stats and recording results in appropriate places in Division Secretary book, or, alternatively, electronically, if a platform for doing so is provided by the Association.
3. Distributing the stats of their league to each Captain in his division and to the League Secretary each week.
4. Following the rules of the FWDA and representing the FWDA in a professional manner during any disputes or problems concerning his league and ascertaining the facts of the dispute for the purpose of reporting such disputes at the next board meeting.
5. Deliver final standings to the League Secretary, a list of 1st and 2nd place teams with those teams' members, as verified by those teams' captains, and the individual award winners within one week following the close of the regular season.
6. Notify qualifying playoff captain(s) of any player(s) ineligible to play in playoffs.
7. Officiating at least one playoff match at the end of each season including bringing any supplies necessary for such.
8. Notifying a Team Captain if the copy of the completed score sheet is not received within 72 hours of the match to avoid excessive penalties. (Art. 17.16)
9. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

B. **REGISTERED AGENT:** This is the only paid position in the Association, with the fee being determined by the CPB meeting. This position does not carry a vote on the Board of Directors. Duties shall include:

1. Maintaining current, true and accurate financial records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

2. Preparing, publishing, and presenting to the Board of Directors (for approval) an annual report covering the preceding year. All records, books and annual reports of the Association shall be kept available for inspection by any member, or his attorney, for any purpose at any reasonable time.
3. Preparation of quarterly financial reports, with supporting statements and the presentation of such to the Board of Directors.
4. Being approved by the State of Texas Secretary of State's office (**mandatory**) and is responsible for such approval.
5. Filing of all required IRS forms in accordance with IRS regulations each year.
6. Maintaining all required federal and state records.

(Note: The Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, Article 1396, Paragraph 2.23.A, Sub "D" states: "Any nonprofit corporation that fails to maintain financial records, prepare an annual report or make a financial statement or annual report available to the public in the manner described by this Article is guilty of a Class B Misdemeanor.")

C. **ADO REPRESENTATIVE:** Shall be responsible for representing the FWDA at all ADO meetings and distributing ADO materials. The ADO representative shall have one vote on the Board of Directors and have duties that include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The promotion and running of shoots and/or leagues at various clubs for the ADO competitions, being responsible for the format, scheduling, collection of entries and turning-over and accounting for monies earned at each shoot to the Association Treasurer.
2. Deliver to the board a report summarizing the winners and an accounting of the shoots and/or leagues upon their completion.
3. Notify winners of entry into the National Qualifiers and alternates prior to each event.
4. Working with the Tournament Director for sanctioning events in tournaments.
5. Completion and filing of paperwork necessary to keep FWDA in good standing with ADO.
6. Officiating at least one playoff match each season and bringing appropriate supplies to such match.
7. Attending monthly Board meetings.
8. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

D. **MUGS AWAY EDITOR:** Shall be responsible for the periodic update of a social media website that shall act as a newsletter and information site for the FWDA. This position carries voting rights with duties being, but not limited to, the following:

1. Responsible for the promotion of the FWDA and the sport of darts through social media and an electronic newsletter/blog sponsored by the FWDA and its members.
2. The solicitation and collection of articles, tournament flyers, and any information for publication in the newsletter to benefit and/or be of interest to the membership.
3. Responsible for editing articles for publication.
4. Posting notification of articles in the newsletter on social media sites, especially of those run by the association.
5. Officiating at least one playoff match each season and bringing appropriate supplies to such match.
6. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors

E. **PUB INSPECTOR:** This position carries a vote on the Board of Directors. Duties shall include, but are not limited to:

1. Having names, addresses and responsible party information available to Board Members for each approved Pub
2. Responsibility for checking of new clubs interested in joining the FWDA.
3. Responsibility of checking problems reported by members.
4. Approval of dart pubs in accordance with FWDA and ADO rules ([Article 24](#)).
5. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

F. **TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:** This position carries a vote on the Board of Directors. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

1. Scheduling, coordinating and promoting tournaments for the FWDA.
2. Working with the ADO representative in order to sanction events at such tournaments.
3. Recruiting and negotiating sponsorships from outside sources.

4. Promoting tournaments with flyers and/or posters.
  5. Appointing committees for tournament (i.e. set-up and break-down committees, bracket committee, announcer committee, etc.) as needed
  6. Overseeing and managing tournaments and events (i.e. setting cut-off times, keeping events going as scheduled, preparing winners cards at the end of each event for the Treasurer, etc.) and other responsibilities as needed.
  7. Ordering and distribution of trophies for tournaments.
  8. Reporting to the Board of Directors for tournament approval of events, dates, times, pay-outs, etc. all contracts (i.e. room rates, drink prices, etc.) and/or other agreements with those offering facilities for FWDA tournaments must be approved by the FWDA Board of Directors **PRIOR** to the Tournament Director signing or committing the Association.
  9. Officiating at least one playoff match each season including bringing appropriate supplies.
  10. Any other duties deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. In the event this position on the Board is vacant, the Board of Directors will assume the responsibilities as directed by the President.
- G. One (1) **Sergeant-At-Arms** may be chosen at the discretion of the President. Responsibilities include enforcing Robert's Rules of Order at association meetings.

## Article 5

### OFFICER QUALIFICATIONS/ELECTIONS

- 5.01 An acceptable candidate for an appointed or elected office must be a bona fide member of the FWDA. He must never have been removed from any office or appointed position in the FWDA, except for honorable resignation or the expiration of his term of office.
- 5.02 **TERMS OF OFFICE:** The terms of office for the *President, Association Secretary, Treasurer, League Secretary, and Vice-President* shall be two (2) years, beginning at the start of the Fall CPB and ending at the start of the second Fall CPB after the election. The President, Association Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected on odd years and the League Secretary and Vice-President shall be elected on even years. The *ADO Representative* and *Tournament Director* shall be appointed for a one (1) year term by the Board of Directors with approval at the Fall CPB and taking office at the conclusion of the same meeting.
- 5.03 **NOMINATIONS:** Candidates for Executive Board positions shall be nominated at the Spring CPB meeting. Nominees need to be present. However, if absent, they **MUST** submit in writing their acceptance of the nomination. If no written acceptance is presented at the CPB meeting the nomination will be null and void.
- 5.04 **ELECTIONS:** The election of officers shall be held in the Spring meeting of the CPB. The election shall be by secret ballot. Each paid member shall have one vote. Voting twice in the same election shall void that person's right to vote. Three (3) tellers shall be appointed by the Spring CPB to:
- A. Distribute ballots and ballot boxes to each of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) pubs selected by the CPB. Ballots and ballot boxes shall be delivered to the designated pubs within two (2) weeks after the Spring CPB meeting.
  - B. Collect the ballot boxes five weeks after the Spring CPB meeting.
  - C. Count the votes and report the results, in writing, to the Board of Directors.
- 5.05 **VOTING:** Each officer shall be elected by a plurality of votes: a number of votes cast for a candidate that is greater than the number cast for any other candidate, not necessarily more than one-half (1/2) of the total votes cast.

## Article 6

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 6.01 The Board of Directors (consisting of Executive Board members, Division Secretaries, Mug's Away Editor, ADO representative, Tournament Director and Pub Inspector) shall meet at least once a month during the FWDA fiscal year with the time and date to be set by the President.

6.02 A quorum of the Board of Directors shall have the power to make any decisions concerning the FWDA that it deems necessary within the guidelines of these Bylaws. Its rulings may be overturned by a 2/3 majority vote of a quorum of the CPB at a regular or special called meeting.

(Note: Under these bylaws, unless otherwise specified, a **quorum** shall be defined as a simple majority of 50% plus 1 of those eligible to vote.)

6.03 The Board of Directors retains the right to terminate or suspend any member, team or pub for violating the official rules and regulations of the FWDA

## Article 7

### REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

7.01 Any FWDA Officer, any person serving as an official, any appointed chairman, or any committee may be removed from office should an act of chicanery, negligence, incompetence or misconduct be proven.

7.02 Any officer of the FWDA, any person serving as an official, any appointed chairman, or any committee may be removed from office should an act to undermine the integrity of the Board or any member of the Board be proven.

7.03 A special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called immediately and held within ten (10) days of alleged violation. The Board shall appoint a committee of five (5) persons, by volunteer or by nomination, excluding current Board Members, to serve as a "Board of Inquiry."

A. This board is to investigate the charge brought against the person(s) and report to a CPB special meeting if a regular CPB meeting is not scheduled within sixty (60) days of the special Board Meeting.

B. After hearing the Board of Inquiry report, the CPB shall rule on the disposition of the charge(s) alleged.

C. The charge(s) must be confirmed by a 2/3 majority vote of a quorum of the CPB.

D. If any charge is not acted upon within sixty (60) days of the special meeting of the Board, said charge(s) shall be dismissed.

7.04 Any office vacated by removal shall be filled by the same CPB meeting, by a plurality of votes cast for the appointee by a quorum of the CPB present at said meeting. The person elected/appointed shall serve out the remaining term of the office vacated.

(Note: Allege: To declare as if under oath, but without proof. Chicanery: Deception by artful subterfuge or sophistry. Negligence: To leave undone or unattended to, especially through carelessness.)

## Article 8

### COMMITTEES

8.01 Each standing committee shall be comprised of at least one member of each division when possible unless otherwise stated.

8.02 All elected Officers shall serve as ex-officio member of committees, unless otherwise stated.

8.03 Each standing committee member shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise stated.

8.04 Temporary Committees may be appointed by the President.

8.05 The Scheduling Committee shall be appointed by the President.

- 8.06 **Auditing Committee:** At the close of the Treasurers term of office, the fall CPB will appoint an auditing committee of four (4) persons, preferably with knowledge of accounting procedures, chaired by the President to audit the FWDA books of record. The audit will take place in a location determined by the President. This accounting must be done within three (3) months of the close of the treasurer's term of office. After completing the audit, the committee will report their findings to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled Board meeting. The auditing committee shall replace any member that cannot attend the audit.
- 8.07 Membership of all committees terminate at the end of the appointing President's term.

## Article 9

### CPB

- 9.01 For a CPB meeting to be official, there **MUST** be a quorum of Team Captains, two (2) Pub Owners (or their representatives), and at least four members of the Board of Directors, including two (2) Executive Board Members, present. A person representing more than one category (e.g., Board Member and Team Captain) shall count towards the required attendees in only one category.
- 9.02 There shall be a CPB meeting for the business of the Association and league functions just prior to the start of each league season scheduled. Captains books and Division Secretary books will be distributed.
- 9.03 The CPB meeting will be referred to as the Spring, Fall, and Summer CPB meetings. Bylaw amendments can be made only in the Spring and Fall meetings ([Article 11](#)). The Spring meeting will contain the nomination and/or election of officers to the Board of Directors on the designated years ([Article 5.04](#)).
- 9.04 The place, day and hour of the CPB meetings, as determined by the Board of Directors, shall be published and/or posted in all the FWDA pubs not less than five (5) days or more than fifty (50) days before the date of the meeting.
- 9.05 All minutes of the CPB meetings may be published dispensing with the reading of such minutes at the next meeting with the CPB merely considering the published minutes for additions, corrections and approval.
- 9.06 It is the responsibility of the President and the Association Secretary to see that an agenda is prepared and published for each CPB meeting. Publishing may be in the MUGS AWAY and/or electronically. Copies shall be furnished at the meeting.
- 9.07 Special CPB meetings may be called by a written request, signed by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the CPB. A charge of not less than fifty dollars (\$50) will be collected from the requester/petitioner to help offset the cost of the meeting. This charge **MUST** accompany the signed petition. Payment must be made in the form of a cashier's check or money order. Upon receipt of the request, the Board of Directors shall have ten (10) days to schedule and notify the CPB of the special meeting.
- 9.08 Attendance of the CPB meetings is **MANDATORY** for Team Captains or representing team member. If represented by a non-team member, a written proxy from the Team Captain must be provided when registering at the CPB meeting. Failure to attend a CPB meeting **WILL** result in forfeiture of five (5) WIN points in the following league season (and no increase in loss points).
- 9.09 A team representative will not be allowed to sign in more than 15 minutes after the meeting is called to order nor later than 15 minutes from the scheduled meeting time, whichever is latest.
- 9.10 While **ONLY CAPTAINS, PUB OWNERS (or their designated representative), AND BOARD MEMBERS may vote at CPB meetings**, any interested persons may attend the meetings. A person representing more than one category (e.g., Board Member and Team Captain) shall have only one vote.

## Article 10

### ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MEETINGS

Unless otherwise specified, Robert's Rules of Order (revised) shall be the parliamentary authority for the Association and shall be enforced by the Sergeant-at-Arms, if one has been selected.

The order of business for all meetings of the Association shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Reports: Officers/Committee Chairmen
5. Nominations, when applicable
6. Unfinished business
7. New business
8. adjournment

## **Article 11**

### **BYLAW AMENDMENTS**

- 11.01 Proposed amendment(s) must be submitted to the Board of Directors in writing by a FWDA member.
- 11.02 Should the Board of Directors approve the amendment(s), the Board shall submit the proposed amendment(s) at the next Fall or Spring CPB meeting for adoption by a simple majority vote of that CPB.
- 11.03 If the Board disapproves the proposed amendment(s), a member has the right to resubmit the proposal at the next Fall or Spring CPB meeting. A 2/3 majority vote of a quorum of the CPB will overrule the Board and the proposed amendment(s) shall be adopted.
- 11.04 All amendments shall become effective at the beginning of the next league season, unless provided for in the amendment.

## **Article 12**

### **FORMATS**

#### **12.01 FALL/SPRING OPEN LEAGUE**

##### **A. MASTERS AND A DIVISIONS**

1. Each match shall consist of the following:
  - a. Five (5) singles games of "best of three" legs, each game worth one point. The first leg is 501 SI/DO, followed by a leg of Cricket, and the winner of the bull chooses what is played in the third leg, either 501 SI/DO or Cricket.
  - b. Seven (7) games of doubles: Cricket, 501 SI/DO, Cricket, 501 SI/DO, Cricket, 501 SI/DO, and Cricket. Each game is worth one point.
2. If the match does not end in a 6-6 tie, the winner will receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in 12.09. If the match does end in a 6-6 tie, then a final (thirteenth) game of 501 Doubles SI/DO is played for the bonus point, with the *Final Game* rule applying (Article 12.07).
3. Cricket is played according to "American Cricket with points" rules.
4. Each person can play at most one singles game and four total games, not including the thirteenth game. For example, one singles and three doubles games is allowed (not including the thirteenth game), as is no singles and four doubles games (not including the thirteenth game).

##### **B. B DIVISIONS**

1. Each match shall consist of the following:
  - a. Five (5) singles games of “best of three” legs, each game worth one point. The format of each game is Chicago style, with the winner of the bull choosing what to play in each leg and the options being 301 double in/double out (DI/DO), 501 single in/double out (SI/DO), and Cricket, with no duplication.
  - b. Five (5) games of doubles: Cricket, 501 DI/DO, Cricket, 501 DI/DO, and Cricket. Each game is worth one point.
  - c. A four (4) person 801 DI/DO, worth one point and the *Final Game* rule applying (Article 12.07).
2. Cricket is played according to “American Cricket with points” rules.
3. Each person can play at most one singles game and three total games, not including the final four-person game. For example, one singles and two doubles games is allowed, as is no singles and three doubles games.
4. The winner of the match shall receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in Article 12.09.

## 12.02 MIXED LEAGUE

- A. Each match shall consist of the following games, each worth one point:
  1. Mixed doubles 501 DI/DO
  2. Mixed doubles Cricket
  3. Ladies doubles 501 DI/DO
  4. Men’s doubles Cricket
  5. Mixed doubles 501 DI/DO
  6. Mixed doubles Cricket
  7. Men’s doubles 501 DI/DO
  8. Ladies doubles Cricket
  9. Mixed doubles 501 DI/DO
  10. Mixed doubles Cricket
  11. A four-person 801 DI/DO consisting of two (2) women and two (2) men from the roster and the *Final Game* rule applying (Article 12.07).
- B. Mixed doubles games must be played by a woman and a man, men’s doubles games must be played by two men, and women’s doubles games must be played by two women.
- C. All Cricket games are played according to “American Cricket with points” rules.
- D. Each person can play in at most five games, not including the final four-person game.
- E. The winner of the match will receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in Article 12.09.

## 12.03 CRICKET LEAGUE

- A. Each match shall consist of the following:
  1. Four (4) singles games of “best of three” legs of Cricket, each game worth one point.
  2. Six (6) games of doubles Cricket, each worth one point.
  3. A four (4) person game of modified Norvak, worth one point and the *Final Game* rule applying (Article 12.07).
- B. All Cricket games are played according to “American Cricket with points” rules.
- C. Each person can play at most one singles game and four total games, not including the final four-person game. For example, one singles and three doubles games is allowed, as is no singles and four doubles games.
- D. The winner of the match will receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in Article 12.09.

## 12.04 LADIES LEAGUE

- A. Each match shall consist of the following:
  1. Four (4) singles games of “best of three” legs, each game worth one point. The format of each game is Chicago style, with the winner of the bull choosing what to play in each leg and the options being 301 DI/DO, 501 SI/DO, and Cricket, with no duplication.

2. Eight (8) games of doubles: Cricket, 501 SI/DO, Cricket, 501 SI/DO, Cricket, 501 SI/DO, Cricket, and 501 SI/DO. Each game is worth one point.
- B. If the match does not end in a 6-6 tie, the winner will receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in 12.09. If the match does end in a 6-6 tie, then a final (thirteenth) doubles game is played for the bonus point, with the *Final Game* rule applying (Article 12.07). The winner of the bull chooses whether the game played is cricket or 501 SIDO.
- C. Cricket is played according to “American Cricket with points” rules.
- D. Each person can play at most one singles game and five total games, not including the thirteenth game. For example, one singles and four doubles games is allowed (not including the thirteenth game) as is no singles and five doubles games (not including the thirteenth game).
- E. The winner of the match shall receive one (1) bonus point for the win as specified in Article 12.09.
- 12.05 **League Seasons:** All leagues (Open, Mixed, Cricket, Ladies) shall be offered in all seasons (Spring, Summer, Fall). All divisions (Masters, A, B) in the Open league shall be offered in the Spring and Fall seasons. A and B divisions in the Open league shall be offered in the Summer season.
- 12.06 **SUMMER OPEN LEAGUE:** The format in all divisions in the Summer Open league shall follow the B division format in the Fall/Spring Open League.
- 12.07 **The Final Game Rule:** The final game must be filled out after the game immediately preceding the final game. Any eligible persons listed on the roster may play even if they haven’t played previously in the match or if they have already played their maximum allowable games. They may play in any order, but they **MUST** play in the order listed on the score sheet once it is filled out. (The-final game may be filled out at the beginning of the match, but it may not be changed after the end of the game immediately preceding the final game.)
- 12.08 **Norvak Tie Breaker:** In the event a Norvak game finishes in a tie, another round is thrown by all members of both teams at the 20’s. If the game remains tied, another round is thrown at the 19’s. This continues with the 18’s, 17’s, etc., until the game is no longer tied after a completed round.
- 12.09 **Bonus Points:** The team winning the match shall receive one (1) bonus point for the win in addition to the winning game points. The team that loses the match does not receive an extra loss point for losing the match. For example, a 6 win, 5 loss match is tallied at the bottom of the score sheet as 7 to 5, with the winning team receiving 7 win points and the losing team receiving 6 loss points.

### Article 13

#### ROSTERS

- 13.01 **ALL** team rosters **MUST** be accompanied by the individual dues of any unpaid person on that roster. All team rosters must be submitted on/or before the deadline as established by the Board of Directors each league season. This provision may be waived only by the President and one other Executive Board Member.
- 13.02 Team Captains MUST submit a full address, daytime and night time telephone number for themselves on the rosters.
- 13.03 There must be at least two current phone numbers in addition to the Team Captain’s for contacting purposes.
- 13.04 Team members cannot be added or dropped after the appropriate CPB meeting without an ADD/Change Form and the appropriate dues.
- 13.05 Transferring of dues from one person to another once the original person has played a match or after the end of the second match of the season is not allowed.

### Article 14

## TEAMS

- 14.01 The maximum/minimum number of players on a team roster is eight/five (8/5) in Open Divisions, six/three (6/3) in Ladies League, six/three (6/3) in Mixed League, and six/three (6/3) in Cricket League.
- 14.02 It will be up to the pub if it will allow any player under the age of eighteen (18) to play in their establishment (in accordance with TABC and Texas Laws). It is up to the team to see that it has enough players in these circumstances.
- 14.03 If a player has been barred from a pub, the team will have to play a substitute, play short, or forfeit. The match will not be moved.
- 14.04 No new members/players may be added after the halfway mark of the regular season schedule.
- 14.05 The halfway mark of the regular season schedule is immediately prior to the first dart of the first game of the second half of the schedule.
- 14.06 A team may add players after the halfway mark and up to the beginning of the next to the last match of the regular season schedule **only** to bring the team roster up to the minimum required.
- 14.07 Players added after the halfway mark cannot have previously played on any other team in the same division during that season.

## Article 15

### ROSTER CHANGES

- 15.01 THE ADD/DROP FORM MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT WITH ALL INFORMATION.
- 15.02 **BOTH TEAM CAPTAINS** or their representative MUST SIGN THE ADD/DROP FORM **BEFORE PLAY BEGINS**.
- 15.03 The WINNING CAPTAIN must attach the YELLOW COPY to that night's score sheet and send it to the appropriate Division Secretary.
- 15.04 The Captain MAKING THE CHANGE **MUST MAIL THE WHITE COPY OF THE FORM**, including any dues required, to the *FWDA office AND IT MUST BE RECEIVED WITHIN 2 WEEKS or the player(s) will be deemed as "ineligible"*. (Please take into consideration that "Bye" weeks are counted as league nights and postal delivery times can differ on weekends and holidays.)
- 15.05 The pink copy is to be retained by the Captain making the change.
- 15.06 A player may drop from a team by giving notice to the Association on an Add/Drop Form. Team signatures will not be required.
- 15.07 A team may drop a player by giving written notice to the Association on an Add/Drop Form with the signatures of a single majority of the team members in attendance that night.
- 15.08 A player that is dropped or drops from a team after the first match is played may be added to another roster only for a team in another division. They cannot be dropped from a team and then re-added later.
- 15.09 If an extenuating circumstance occurs, membership must call the League Secretary AND the President for a ruling.

## Article 16

### TEAM FORFEITURES

- 16.01 A forfeit will be declared for failure of a team to attend a match.
- 16.02 A team unable to be contacted by the Division Secretary or an Executive Board Member for the purpose of changing or moving a match will result in a forfeit and/or penalty points. The decision will be made by the Board of Directors.
- 16.03 For the use of an ineligible player(s), the offending team will be penalized from two to twelve win points, as determined by the Board of Directors. These penalty points will be subtracted from the win column and added to the loss column for each offense per match.
- 16.04 *A forfeit will be declared for each OPEN team having less than three players and for each MIXED, CRICKET and LADIES team having less than two players in attendance. This forfeit is automatic and irrevocable. Appeals to the Board of Directors will not be heard.*
- 16.05 The first time a team forfeits a league match, the team forfeited against shall receive a score of 7-0 with no losses including the bonus win point and the forfeiting team receives a score of 0-6 with no win points and excluding the bonus win point. In the case of a double forfeit, each team receives a score of 0-6 with no win points. The Masters division is an exception to this: the forfeiting team(s) shall receive a 0-7 score and the team forfeited against shall receive an 8-0 score.
- 16.06 The second time a team forfeits, all of that team's points, W/L, and individual awards will be wiped out *as if the team never existed*, in which case all the opposing teams' W/L and individual QP's and W/L points for those matches *will also be wiped out*. Individual awards of low dart '01 games will remain for the opposing team. The forfeiting team will be suspended for that season and may be subject to suspension for one (1) year per the board's discretion. Individuals with continuous forfeits may be subject to suspension per the discretion of the board of directors.
- 16.07 Teams forfeiting in the playoffs may be replaced with another team at the discretion of the President and League Secretary. If the forfeiting team is not replaced, the team forfeited against will move to the next round of play as if they had won the match.
- 16.07 *An intentional forfeit by a team will be subject to review for suspension by the Board of Directors, with the decision becoming effective the following league season.*

## Article 17

### MATCHES

- 17.01 The HOME team shall choose the game board(s) if there is more than one board.
- 17.02 The game boards must be designated and cleared of game play with warm-up allowed for the players in that night's match NO LATER THAN THIRTY (30) MINUTES prior to match time.
- 17.03 Normal starting time for the first game of league matches is 8:00 pm Central Standard Time (CST). For any match not under way by 8:15 pm, there may be a match win point forfeited. *A team wishing to protest the delay of the start of the match must initiate said protest before the first dart of the match is thrown. (Article 18).*
- 17.04 Scoresheet line-ups MUST be made out by 7:45 pm by the Home Team and given to the Visiting Team Captain to be completed. The CAPTAINS are responsible for each match running smoothly. A dispute that arises during the course of match play must be settled in a private conference of the two Captains ONLY. All official communication between teams will be by the Captains.
- 17.05 NO adjustments are be allowed in the team lineup once the score sheet has been opened for play without consent of both Team Captains. It is the sole responsibility of the Team Captains to ensure that the match line-up is correct when submitted. A team having to play with less than the minimum players required on a roster ([Article 14.01](#)) will be required to fill out the singles set completely, including those not in attendance. Captains are required to indicate a forfeiting player on the scoresheet. A forfeiting player shall be indicated on the scoresheet in any game their name occurs. A forfeited game shall not constitute a night of play for the forfeiting player ([Article 21.03](#))

- 17.06 Masters matches consist of twelve (12) games, and all other matches consist of eleven (11) games. Games must be played in the order shown on the scoresheet. NO player may play on more than one line per game (e.g., in doubles, the same player cannot play on both lines). A team with only four players must forfeit one singles games (“B”, “A”, Masters leagues). A doubles game played with one player will receive a zero score for one turn per round. A four-person team played with three players will receive a zero score for one turn per round.
- 17.07 A player will be allowed a maximum of NINE (9) warm-up darts after being called up to play.
- 17.08 Each player is allowed three (3) darts for each turn. Therefore, a player is allowed to shoot his second and/or third dart after busting. No darts shall count towards a player’s score after that player has busted on that turn.
- 17.09 A player participating in a game is not allowed to throw practice darts on any board after the bull has been shot to begin the game. A warning shall be issued for a first offense: repeated offenses will result in forfeiture of the next turn immediately following each offense.
- 17.10 A player in the singles line-up (on the scoresheet) must be present when their turn to play comes up or forfeiture rules apply. If the player fails to meet the maximum time requirement of five minutes waiting time between games, a protest may be filed ([Article 18](#)).
- 17.11 A player arriving after a game he is scheduled to throw in has begun (doubles or 4 person) may immediately begin throwing in his normal rotation but may not take any warm-up darts nor make up any turns missed.
- 17.12 In any game except in Mixed League, each team’s players MUST throw/shoot in the EXACT order that their name appears on the line-up (scoresheet). However, any player scheduled for that game may take the shot for the bull.
- 17.13 In the Doubles or four-person ‘01 games, if a player throws out of turn, their score will be removed and the scheduled player will shoot for score. The player who shot out-of-turn will forfeit their next turn and receive zero score for it.
- 17.14 In the Norvak team games, if a player throws out of turn, their score will be removed and the scheduled player will shoot for score. The player who shot out-of-turn will forfeit their next turn and the total score will be halved.
- 17.15 If a match forfeiture is declared by protest, forfeiture procedures shall be followed ([Article 18](#)).
- 17.16 A copy of the scoresheet *must be sent* by the WINNING TEAM CAPTAIN to the DIVISION SECRETARY *within 72 hours of the end of the match*. If a scoresheet is not received on time, a penalty of ONE WIN POINT PER DAY WILL BE ASSESSED (up to a maximum of 7 points) from the winning-team and added to the team’s loss column.

## Article 18

### PROTESTS

- 18.01 Either Captain of the two teams playing a match may file a protest for any league irregularity during that match.
- The opposing team Captain MUST be notified that the match is being played under protest from that point on.
  - All details of the protest, including the article number of the Bylaws offended, *MUST be handed to a member of the Board of Directors or postmarked within 48 hours of the time the protest is noted.*
  - The protest must be indicated on the match scoresheet that is signed by both Captains.
  - If these guidelines are not followed, protests will NOT be heard.
- 18.02 The Board Member receiving the protest MUST immediately notify an Executive Member of the Board of Directors of the protest, so that there will be no discrepancy. The Board of Directors will consider and act upon the protest if it occurred in league play at the next scheduled meeting of the Board.
- 18.03 Protests of a general nature not connected with a league match or play in a FWDA tournament *must be filled out will all pertinent information and given to a Board Member within 48 hours.*
- 18.04 A defendant must be notified by registered mail of the complaint and of a hearing by the Board of Directors, at a specified time and place, and be given the right to defend himself before the complainant(s) and the members of the Board ONLY. Action by the Board, if at all possible, should be finalized within two (2) weeks of receipt of the written protest of the

complainant. The Pub Owner in which the violation occurred may be present at the hearing. Failure of the defendant to appear at the hearing will be considered a plea of “no contest”. The Board will then act on the evidence before them.

- 18.05 In order to prevent any possible conflict of interest, a FWDA Board Member will not be allowed to vote on a protest brought before the Board (or CPB) if the Board Member or a member of his family is on the roster of a team involved in the protest.
- 18.06 FWDA Board Members will not be allowed to vote on any proposal before the Board or CPB that would directly benefit the Board Member or a member of his family. However, the Board Member may take part in all discussions about the protest or proposal. (Under this section of the FWDA Bylaws, a member of the family will include spouses, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, children, first cousins and anyone related by marriage to those previously mentioned.)

## Article 19

### LEAGUE PROVISIONS

- 19.01 The leagues shall have divisions with a minimum of four (4) teams and a maximum of eight (8) teams, with the exception of Masters, which can have a minimum of three (3) teams when four are not available. Open league divisions will be designated Masters, A, B, C, etc. according to their relative strengths. All divisions will be designated I, II, III, etc., according to their status and/or strength.
- 19.02 At the end of each season, the winner of the cup in each open division must move up to the next higher division. The last place team in each open division may move down to the next lower division, depending on the number of teams in the lower and higher divisions. Specifically, if the lower division would have fewer than 4 teams without the last place team or the higher division would have the maximum 8 teams without the last place team, the last place team **MUST** move down from the higher division. Otherwise, the last place team has the option of moving down.
- 19.03 The decision of which team goes back to Tuesday or Wednesday, if there is a dispute, will be decided by the Board of Directors by a flip of a coin.
- 19.04 Ties for advancement or demotion will be settled by comparing the percentages of head to head competition results between the teams involved. If a tie still exists, it will be broken by the flip of a coin by the president of the Association.
- 19.05 Any team that gains advancement status **MUST** accept advancement or disband.
- 19.06 A team that claims to have disbanded will not be permitted to have fifty percent (50%) or more of its previous team members on its roster at any time during the following season.
- 19.07 Any player(s) added making fifty percent (50%) or more of a disbanded team roster will be deemed an “ineligible player(s)”.
- 19.08 All league season scheduling shall be set by the Scheduling Committee ([Article 8.05](#)).
- 19.09 The Scheduling Committee shall have the right to adjust requested league/divisions on rosters for placement into league/divisions according to the strengths and/or weaknesses of the teams.
- 19.10 Each team in a division is to play one home match and one away match with every other team in its division unless there are less than seven (7) teams in a division, in which case an alternative schedule may be adopted. In some cases, one or more teams may have to play another team more than twice.
- 19.11 **NO CHANGES** to the league play shall be allowed except with the permission of the President and the appropriate Division Secretary. Violations may result in disciplinary actions deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
- 19.12 Individual participation is limited to ONE team per league. A person may play on one team in Rookie League, one team in Open League (Masters, A, B, C, etc.), one team in Mixed League, one team in Ladies League, and one team in Cricket League, *but ONLY ONE team in any one league.*
- 19.13 The Board of Directors may reschedule any match, if necessary, to maintain an equitable and efficient competition schedule.

- 19.14 Regular season matches may be rescheduled if both team captains agree to reschedule and agree on an alternate date, time, and venue. The match must be scheduled within three weeks of the original match date or on the day prior to the last match of the regular season, whichever is earlier. If the match is not made up in this timeframe, then on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day following the original match date or the day before the last day of the regular season, whichever is earlier, both teams shall meet at the originally scheduled time and venue and play the match. If too few members of a team show to play, that team shall forfeit the match. If both teams have too few members to play, both teams shall incur a forfeit ([Article 16](#)).
- 19.15 In order to promote equitable play, a team cannot include a player who has played on a higher division team in that league in the last two seasons, unless the team which the player was on was eligible to move down to a that division ([Article 19.02](#)), or if the player has been given dispensation by the board to be on said lower division team. Use of such a player without dispensation would be considered use of an ineligible player ([Article 16.03](#)).
- 19.16 In cases not covered by these bylaws, ADO rules and regulations shall apply.

## Article 20

### ROOKIE LEAGUE

- 20.01 Definition: Rookie: A player that has never played in an ADO sanctioned league with the exception of the previous FWDA summer league. During the Rookie's authorized rookie season, they may concurrently play in other organized leagues.
- 20.02 A Rookie may remain a rookie for one full year starting with their first season of play.
- 20.03 The 1<sup>st</sup> place Rookie division teams and the 1<sup>st</sup> place Rookie city team will be required to advance to "C" division (or the lowest Open League division) regardless of whether or not it is their first or second league season (not counting summer) if that team is going to stay together. This does not mean that a Rookie will be prevented from playing their three consecutive seasons if he so desires.
- 20.04 Veterans on a Rookie team may only play a total of two (2) games per match. The Veteran player(s) may only play in the slots designated for Veteran(s). Any Rookie team intending to play their Veteran member(s) MUST declare such to the opposing team PRIOR to the time team line-ups are made. **VETERANS CANNOT PLAY IN SINGLES.**
- 20.05 The only trophies/awards Veteran players on Rookie teams may win are the individual 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team plaques. Team games with veteran players DO NOT qualify for awards: i.e. a Rookie playing with a Veteran player cannot win the Best Doubles Game award.
- 20.06 Rookie rosters must have a minimum of six (6) and a maximum of ten (10), including the Veterans.
- 20.07 The Rookie League shall operate in accordance with all FWDA Bylaws, rules and regulations except for the above provisions.

## Article 21

### PLAYOFFS

- 21.01 Playoff slots shall be determined by the board in consultation with pub owners and managers. The number of slots allocated to a pub will be prorated according to the number of teams homed at that pub.
- 21.02 Pubs must have at least one home team to be eligible for a playoff slot.
- 21.03 To be eligible to participate in the playoff matches, team members must have played in at least four regular season matches in the spring or fall seasons or three regular season matches in the summer season.
- 21.04 Playoff schedules shall be posted no later than the ¾ point of every season.

- 21.05 Changes in the playoff schedule must be approved by the President and one other Board Member prior to the match.
- 21.06 The top two teams in each division or the top half of the teams in each division, whichever is greater, are eligible for the playoffs. If a tie for a position exists at the end of regular season play, a bracket position for the playoffs shall be determined by the President, one other FWDA Officer and the respective Team Captains (or their representative) using head-to-head play as the first tie-breaker, and if the teams are still tied, the flip of a coin.
- 21.07 There shall be playoffs for City Champion in each division according to number of teams. Playoffs shall be decided by brackets decided by the Scheduling Committee.
- 21.08 All playoff matches shall consist of two (2) consecutive scoresheets (regular season format) with a fifteen (15) minute break between sheets to make new line-ups for the second sheet. If a tie exists after two sheets, one game of four-man 801 double-in/double-out (DI/DO) will be played to decide the winner of the match in Open, Mixed, and Ladies leagues, and one game of four-man modified Norvak will be played to decide the winner of the match in Cricket league.
- 21.09 The format for playoff matches shall follow the lower league's format. For example, if a Masters team plays a B team, the format of the match follows the B team's regular season format.
- 21.10 A current Board Member must be present at all playoff matches. This member may not be affiliated with either team involved in the playoff match. The Board Member will officiate over the match and will be responsible for collecting the scoresheets at the end of the match and turning them into the dart office
- 21.11 Forfeitures in playoff matches are covered in [Article 16](#).

## Article 22

### SCOREKEEPING/ETHICS

- 22.01 All games start with a bull shot. In odd numbered games, the visiting team has the choice of either throwing the first bull or having the other team throw the first bull. In even numbered games the home team has the choice. The closest dart to the bull wins and shall start the game. In games with more than one leg, the loser of the previous leg has the choice of throwing the first bull in the next leg.
- A. In case of a tie, the bull shot will be re-thrown: the player that threw first will now throw second. This will continue until someone wins the bull.
  - B. A player has the option of asking a single or double bull to be pulled, after acknowledgment of said bull by scorekeeper.
  - C. Double bull has preference (wins) over single bull.
  - D. In doubles or four-person games, any player may throw the bull (not necessarily the first one listed on the scoresheet).
  - E. In the four-person game in Cricket League, the winner of the bull has the option of choosing which team begins the game.
- 22.02 The Captains of the teams are responsible for providing scorekeepers. In odd numbered games, the home team is responsible for providing a scorekeeper; in even numbered games, the visiting team is responsible for providing a scorekeeper.
- 22.03 Any person keeping score that is not a member of the teams playing MUST be approved by both Team Captains and must be familiar with and follow ALL FWDA rules.
- 22.04 The player **MUST** establish their score with the scorekeeper **PRIOR TO REMOVING THEIR DARTS FROM THE BOARD**. For a dart to score it must remain in the board until retrieved by the thrower except in the case where the thrower requires assistance due to physical injury or disability.
- 22.05 Any changes in a player's score **MUST** be made before his darts are pulled from the dart board. Any mistakes made in scorekeeping (math) must be corrected before the next throw of the player/team against whom the error was made. If the player/team against whom the error was made throws the first dart of their next turn before the error is corrected, **THEN THE SCORE STANDS AS WRITTEN**. The player is responsible for checking the math. The amount of score for each player's turn (total of three darts) **MUST** be written next to this running score. (For egregious scoring errors, i.e. a player

scores 100 at the start of 501 and the score keeper deducts 200 points in error and writes the remaining score 301 and the error is not seen until two turns later, both Captains must agree to correct the scoring error).

- 22.06 The Foul/Toe line will be STRICTLY enforced. A player MUST have **ALL PARTS** of both feet and shoes behind the front edge of the Foul/Toe line when shooting. A player violating this rule must be warned ONCE. If he repeats the violation, the score for that throw WILL NOT be counted.
- 22.07 The scorekeeper may only tell a player what he has scored with the darts in the board or what he has left. It is the responsibility of the player to shoot at the right numbers. If a player is told the wrong score or the wrong remaining points and consequently throws at the wrong target, the darts STAND AS THROWN. Once the final (out) double has been thrown and duly noted by the scorekeeper, the game is over.
- 22.08 When scoring for a league match or playoff match, scorekeepers shall follow the following basic rules of courtesy:
- A. No talking while scorekeeping
  - B. No drinking while scorekeeping
  - C. No moving about while scorekeeping
  - D. Stand facing the board at all times
  - E. No calling out a score of one dart, unless asked for by the thrower
  - F. No telling a shooter what to shoot
  - G. No telling a shooter what combination to shoot
  - H. No changing a score if that player has shot again and a second score has been written down. (exception: egregious scoring errors may be corrected with both Captains agreement)
  - I. No leaning out to see where a dart is or following the darts with body or head.
  - J. No showing signs of disgust
  - K. No changing sides of the scoreboard in three leg matches. (If you start a team on the left, leave them on the left, regardless of the bull.)

### Article 23

#### PERSONAL CONDUCT/ETHICS

- 23.01 Heckling or other harassment during match play is forbidden. A team may make as much noise as it wants when its own players are throwing, but it must remain quiet while the other team's players are shooting. Repeated harassment or loud or foul language may result in the forfeit of up to six (6) match WIN points.
- 23.02 Any type of physical threats or abuse by players will not be tolerated. Such conduct may result in suspension or termination as decided by the Board of Directors.
- 23.03 The dart players throwing must be given plenty of room to shoot. Other players and spectators MUST refrain from undue movement in or near the throwing and dart board area.
- 23.04 **GAMBLING:** Existing State and Federal laws make gambling illegal. As a law-abiding organization, the FWDA **WILL NOT** tolerate betting, gambling or any other illegal acts during any FWDA sponsored event.

### Article 24

#### PUB EQUIPMENT

- 24.01 Each pub in good standing with the FWDA shall be responsible for following the American Dart Organization rules in accordance to:
- A. Board set-up
  - B. Distance between boards
  - C. Dart board condition
  - D. Adequate scoring facilities
  - E. Adequate lighting
  - F. Foul/Toe line conditions
  - G. Adequate space for shooters

- H. Adequate space for both teams to observe play
  - I. Adequate heating and cooling of the establishment.
- 24.02 All league competition, including tournaments and playoffs, shall be conducted on a standard bristle, 20-point clock faced dart board of TOP quality. The Pub Owner will be responsible for providing and maintaining the league play dart board(s), which must be deemed acceptable by the Team Captains and the Pub Inspector.
- 24.03 Dart boards shall be placed five foot and eight inches (5’8”) from the floor to the center of the bulls-eye, with the 20 wedge bed at the center top. This wedge must be dark colored. The spider/wire of the dart board must not be broken and the double and triple rings must be within a tolerance of 1/16<sup>th</sup> inch of the normal space of 3/8<sup>th</sup> inch. The toe line must be seven feet, nine and one-fourth inches (7’9-1/4<sup>th</sup>”) from the front surface of the dart board, measured along the floor to the front edge of the toe line. To double check the diagonal line from the center of the bulls-eye to the front of the toe line should be exactly nine feet, seven and three-eighth inches (9’ 7-3/8<sup>th</sup>”).
- 24.04 There must be at least six (6) feet from bulls-eye to bulls-eye when there is more than one board in an area.
- 24.05 Boards for league play must be in good condition and firmly anchored.
- 24.06 Each pub MUST have an OPEN PRACTICE BOARD other than the board(s) the match is played on.
- 24.07 A scoring surface MUST be provided and located in such a position that scores may be easily read by the players and not interfere with the game play.
- 24.08 *If the Pub Inspector has not given approval of a Pub, it may not have league matches or playoffs until all requirements are met and approved by the Pub Inspector and the Board of Directors.* Additionally, a possible one match WIN point per offense may be forfeited by the HOME team, as determined by the Board of Directors.

## Article 25

### TROPHIES/AWARDS

- 25.01 All division standings will be computed on a percentage (%) basis. The team with the highest percentage of wins will be in the highest position in that division.
- 25.02 A player must have played at least two nights during the particular league season in order to qualify for individual awards.
- 25.03 An awards presentation will be held following each league season’s playoffs. The date and place of the awards presentation will be determined by the Board of Directors.
- 25.04 Winners of the Best W/L Singles trophy shall be determined as follows:
- A. The player who has played in AT LEAST 71% of the total number of singles games for that season with the highest Win/Loss percentage is the winner.
  - B. If ties exist, duplicate awards shall be given to those who tie in each category.
- 25.05 **Quality Points** for ALL leagues and divisions are 95 points or more in a round without busting during any ’01 game.  
**Quality Marks** for ALL leagues and divisions are 6 marks are more in a round in any cricket or Norvak game.
- 25.06 The regular season **first place team** in each division will receive a pub team plaque and individual plaques for each team member. The **second place team** will receive a pub team plaque.
- 25.07 The **City Champion in each division/league** (A, B, Cricket, Mixed, Ladies) will receive a pub team trophy/plaque, individual plaques for each team member, and have their team name inscribed on the “Traveling City Champ Trophy Cup” for that division/league. This Cup will be kept in their home pub until it is won by another team in a subsequent season.
- 25.08 The **overall Open League City Champion** will receive a pub team trophy/plaque, individual plaques for each team member, and have their team name inscribed on the “Traveling City Champ Trophy Cup.” This Cup will be kept in their home pub

until it is won by another team in a subsequent season. The second place team will receive a pub team trophy/plaque and individual plaques for each team member.

- 25.09 In each **Open Division**, individual awards will be given for:
- A. Best Singles '01 Game for both Men and Women (lowest number of darts)
  - B. Best Win/Loss Singles Record for both Men and Women
  - C. Best Doubles '01 Game (lowest number of darts)
  - D. Most Quality Points for both Men and Women (total for season)
  - E. Most Quality Marks for both Men and Women (total for season)
  - F. Best Norvak Game (highest score) *when applicable*
  - G. Best Team 801 Game (lowest number of darts) *when applicable*

- 25.10 In **Mixed League**, individual awards will be given for:
- A. Best Men's Doubles '01 Game (lowest number of darts)
  - B. Best Women's Doubles '01 Game (lowest number of darts)
  - C. Best Mixed Doubles '01 Game (lowest number of darts)
  - D. Best Team 801 Game (lowest number of darts)
  - E. Most Quality Points for both Men and Women (total for season)
  - F. Most Quality Marks for both Men and Women (total for season)

- 25.11 In **Cricket League**, individual awards will be given for:
- A. Best Win/Loss Singles Record for both Men and Women
  - B. Most Quality Marks for both Men and Women (total for season)
  - C. Best Norvak game (highest score)

25.12 The FWDA will give individual awards for shooting 180's, 9-marks, and 120 or higher outs during league or playoffs.

25.13 Awards will be combined for teams winning both their Division and the Division Championship.

## Article 26

### REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSES

Any Officer, committee member or volunteer may be reimbursed for all reasonable expense incurred while conducting sanctioned FWDA business. The Board of Directors, in office at the time, will establish rates for mileage paid, etc.

## Article 27

### LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICES OF THE FWDA concerning time and place of regularly scheduled meetings shall be published and/or displayed at approved pubs. Special and/or called meetings may be announced by personal mail or telephone calls.