

Ten Day Notices Summary

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Assigned # TD_1 (eo)

DateCompleted: October 2, 2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, October 02, 2009

Time: 02:04:55 PM

ExistingRule:

C4. Players shall place their four (4) discs within and not touching lines of their respective half of 10-Off area. PENALTY: 5-Off. Penalty not applied to a player until he/she has played a shot.

Change:

C4. Players shall place their four (4) discs within their respective half of 10-Off area. PENALTY: 5-Off. Penalty not applied to a player until he/she has played a shot.

Rationale:

The intent of the rule is to prevent players from hiding discs in order to confuse opponents about the number of discs left to be played. The rule as amended is sufficient for the purpose. The requirement that the discs not touch any line is excessive and serves only to generate picayune disputes that have no bearing on the play of the game.

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Assigned # TD_2 (eo) – Received 11/14/2009

RULE: C.1.d. In doubles, players may change ends once immediately at the conclusion of the practice rounds before the first game begins. Team assigned to the YELLOW discs must first decide whether to change ends or not, and the decision stands for the match, after which the team assigned to the BLACK discs must decide whether to change ends or not and the decision stands for the match.

CHANGE: C.1.d. In doubles the team with the lowest line number must choose which ends to sit at for the first game and the higher choose for the second game. If a third game is played the winner of the lag (C.2.c.) must choose between having the color choice or sitting last.

C.2C. Add (or SITTING CHOICE) after (COLOR CHOICE) in the three instances it appears.

RATIONALE: This change would eliminate the advantage the higher line number has in choosing who to play against and would allow for a balance as to whether the color choice or opponent was more important, if a third game is necessary.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_3 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: C,3,e. All State-sponsored or Statewide Doubles and Walking Singles Tournaments shall be 75 Points, best two-out-of-three games, MAIN and CONSOLATION event divisions, All State-sponsored or Statewide non-walking singles shall be best two-out-of-three games of 16 frames or 75 Points, whichever comes first, MAIN and CONSOLATION event divisions. In tournaments other than the State—sponsored or Statewide events, play may be limited to a specific number of frames, such as 8,12,16 or 20. A FRAME shall be defined to be equal to a Half-Round, every time a score is posted to the scoreboard constitutes a frame.

CHANGE: Add in second and fifth lines after 75 Points (or when a 75 or more point spread is achieved <i.e. 40 to -35>.

RATIONALE: This would speed up matches that sometimes have huge spreads where the team behind almost never wins. It would also eliminate the embarrassment and ill will that often occurs when the large spreads occur. Also games where huge spreads are achieved tend to slow up an entire bracket. and therefore the end of the tournament. This often causes people to lag for position or Just leave and take the the lower place and these are actually the most important games.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_4 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: C.6 Players may stand behind baseline extension in the alley between the courts before or while shooting but not on an adjoining court. PENALTY: 5-Off.

CHANGE: Add. If standing on an adjoining court to gain an advanta, PENALTY: 10-Off.

RATIONALE: A player going on an adjoining court to gain an advantage (cheating) should be penalized more than 5 points.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_5 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: C.15.a. A cue which slips from a player's hand and which ends up on another court, interfering with player shooting a disc on that court, or which moves or touches a live disc on a court other than the offender's court. PENALTY 10-Off to offender losing control of cue and round shall be played over on the court where the offense took place with no score being credited to any player. If no live discs have been disturbed the player interfered with may take their shot over.

CHANGE: A cue interfering with a player shooting on another court or disturbing a live disc on another court. PENALTY: 10-Off to offender. The Half-Pound is played over unless no live discs have been disturbed. in which case the shooter may take his/her shot over.

RATIONALE: Current rule only addresses a cue slipping from a players hand. not a player holding onto the cue as is more often the case.

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Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_6 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE C.27. (NEW) There shall be no charting or use of charts on e.hufflehoard courts during tournaments. PENALTY:
Disqualification.

RATIONALE: Charting and the use of charts considerably slows up all games and thereby all tournaments. The slowness and length of matches and tournaments is one of, if not the reason many people do not participate or stop participating.

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Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_7 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: ART.8.k. TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS QUALIFICATIONS (For Pros Only): First place winners in the Main Event of Pro tournaments listed in the Centerspread are eligible to play in this tournament FOR LIFE. Second, Third and Fourth place winners are eligible to play in this tournament for two (2) consecutive years. Consolation First, Second, Third and Fourth eligible for one year.

CHANGE: Eliminate (For Pros Only)

RATIONALE: If amateurs are good enough to place in an open tournament they should be allowed to play in the Tournament of Champions. The number of players in the TOC has been dwindling and this would increase that number.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_8 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: ART.8.M. All Players who may be ELIGIBLE to play in the Masters prior to the Tournament of Champions and play in said tournament., MUST PLAY IN THE WALKING DIVISION or FORFEIT the right to play in the MASTERS.

CHANGE: Eliminate all of ART.8.m.

RATIONALE: There is no way to know who “MAY” be eligible to play In the Masters as many choose not to play or be the alternate. In recent years the alternates who ended up “playing” came from as far back as 16th place and did not necessarily play in the walking division (a violation of this rule) . Also it may te more strenuous to play In the Tournament Of Champions where you might have to play 9 games in a day wheras the Masters is only six and someone with health problems might not feel up to playing 9 games at that particular time. No player should have to forfeit their right to play in any tournament for this reason. It is already stated in Art. 8.1. that Masters Points can’t be earned in the non—walking so it wouldn’t effect the Masters.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_9 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: STANDING RULE 18.(f). Opponents will be chosen by blind draw at the start of the tournament, similar to the draw in a regular tournament.

CHANGE: Players will be scheduled for the MASTERS TOURNAMENT by their seeding from the Master Points earned during the season.

First day: A.M. 1-8, 2-7, 3-6, 4-5 & P.M. 1-7, 2-8, 3-5, 4-6.

Second day: A.M. 1-6, 2-5, 3-7, 4-8 & P.M. 1-5, 2-6, 3-8, 4-7.

Third day: A.M. 1-4, 2-3, 5-8, 6-7, & P.M. 1-3, 2-4, 5-7, 6-8.

Fourth day: A.M. 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8.

RATIONALE: This is the schedule used for all sports and gives a schedule ahead of time that people can plan on. Theoretically the top 2 players would be playing at the end.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_10 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: STANDING RULE 18,(j) If the Masters results in a tie for First Place. the tie will be broken by playing best two out of three 75-Point games, unless the tied players agree to play one 100 Point game or to accept the tie.

CHANGE: In the Masters all ties will be broken by head to head results or remain ties if this does not break the tie.

RATIONALE: This is the way positions are decided in other sports and since each player will have played the other three games there will normally be a winner. In cases where there may be three or more people. head to head results will normally break those ties as well. Usually a tie for first is not played off.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_11 (eo) Received 11/14/2009

RULE: STANDING RULE 18. 1. Suggested Prize Monies for the MASTERS shall be: 1st Place: \$120: 2nd Place: \$105: 3rd Place \$90: 4th Place: \$85: 5th Place: \$75: 6th Place: \$70: 7th Place: \$65; 8th Place \$55. Alternate \$35.

CHANGE: 1st \$250: 2nd \$225: 3rd \$200; 4th \$175: 5th \$150: 6th \$125; 7th \$100: 8th \$75: Alternate \$50,

RATIONALE: Prize monies are considerably less than they were ten years ago while expenses have risen considerably (It cost me over \$300 two years ago for rooms, meals and travel). Enhancing the prize money may entice all of the top eight players to play, which rarely happens.

Jerry Stannard

Thoughtfully Submitted,

Central District State Delegate

Assigned # TD_12 (eo)

DateCompleted: 11/15/2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, November 15, 2009

Time: 09:20:18 AM

ExistingRule:

RULE: ART. 8 (f) - Player Eligibility

If a player is a member of two or more Clubs within the State of Florida, he/she must choose the Club that he/she desires to represent in tournaments. Playing for a particular Club in a tournament at or above the District level constitutes such choice for the season. EXCEPT in cases of bona fide change of residence to another city, any player who, during a current season (October 1 through September 30 inclusive) has represented a Club in a tournament at or above District level, may thereafter change his/her representation of affiliation to another Club upon filing a notice in writing to that effect with the said Club and with the KOR of the FSA His/Her play in such tournaments shall cease for the first Club on the date of filing and may commence with the second Club immediately.

Change:

Delete the first and second sentences and first 12 words of the third sentence. Capitalize 'A' in any.

Rationale:

The rule is misleading and in any case impossible to accomodate. The first two sentences only apply to those belonging to two or more clubs, but some players think the second sentence applies to anyone who wishes to change clubs. In any case, whether it's one or more, it is impossible for the KOR to know who has made such a choice since only winner's names are received by him and it could be late in the season (or never) that such choice becomes evident.

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Assigned # TD_13 (eo)

Date: 11-22-2009

State Rule or Rule No. Playing Rules (2c) lagging for color choice.

Rule Change: I would like to see the rule changed from lagging (4) discs to lagging (2) discs.

Rational for Change: Lagging (4) discs just takes extra time. Many organizations already only lag (2) discs.

Name: Earl Ball

District: CD

Assigned TD 14 (eo)

Date: 11-23-2009

State Rule or Rule no. Playing Rules C(1e) 75 point game

Rule Change: I would like to see the rule changed so that a 75 point difference in score completes a game.

Rational for Change: Sometimes a team gets way behind by being in the hole and the team with the lead may have less than 20 points but the game goes on. Every now and again the team that was way behind wins, but not often. That kind of game can put the tournament considerably behind schedule and increase the wait for everyone.

Name: Earl Ball

District: CD

Assigned TD15 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11-26-2009
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 07:56:52 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations. Art.4(a)
Type of tournament a club can host.

Change:

Add: Any tournament that has one or both of it's fields with less than 16 teams entered for two years in a row will combine the fields into an any doubles field in all future tournaments.

Rationale:

Tournaments with small fields are detrimental to the integrity of the game. Most tournaments are split and a team still has the option of traveling to the other tournamentto play with the same sex partner of their chopsing.

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Earl Ball

Assigned TD16 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11-26-2009
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 07:33:19 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations. Art. 4(g)
All tournaments must have 4 places in consolation.

Change:

The number of places in a tournament will be determined by the size of the field in each division. 16 or more teams will have 4 places in main and consolation. 14-15 teams will have 4 places in main and 3 places in consolation. 12-13 teams will have 4 main and 2 consolation. 10-11 teams will have 4 main and 1 consolation. 8-9 teams will have 3 main and 1 consolation. 6-7 teams will have 3 main and no consolation. less than 6 will have 1st and 2nd main only.

Rationale:

The fact of the matter is that some fields are just too small to warrant awarding so many places.

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Earl Ball

Assigned TD17 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11-26-2008
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 07:18:41 PM

ExistingRule:

Date: 11-22-2009
State Rule or Rule No. Playing Rules (2c) lagging for color choice.

Rule Change: I would like to see the rule changed from lagging (4) discs to lagging (2) discs.

Rational for Change: Lagging (4) discs just takes extra time. Many organizations already only lag (2) discs.

Name: Earl Ball
District: CD

Assigned TD18 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11-26-2009
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 07:06:07 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations Art 9(e).
Move up points

Change:

add: give each district the option of awarding points or not depending on the size of the tournament field.
This includes State Amateur Tournaments.

Rationale:

Every district is having problems with players moving up too fast. There aren't enough amateurs to form a competitive field and when they move up so fast it only enlarges the problem. Many districts are finding creative ways to try and get around the rules when really the problem needs to be addressed for everyone. Many players aren't ready to move up when they do.

NameEmailPhone:

Earl Ball

DateCompleted: 11 - 26 -2009
District: CTL

Assigned TD19 (eo)

Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009

Time: 06:50:20 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Playing Regulations Art. 8(b).
Men's, Ladies' or mixed divisions.

Change:

Add or any doubles division.

Rationale:

The simple fact of the matter is that some areas of the State do not have enough players to have a Men's and Ladies' division. Most tournaments are split so the option is still there to go to the other tournament with your partner.

NameEmailPhone:

Earl Ball

Assigned TD20 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11/26/2009
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 06:41:35 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations Art.7(a).
The tournament director will place byes and sub brackets evenly throughout the chart.

Change:

If using sub brackets place them all at the top of the chart. If using byes place them all at the bottom of the chart.

Rationale:

This rule may have made sense when there were large numbers of players playing tournaments, but now there are plenty of courts in most cases. If you are in the upper bracket or the second bracket you may not play the quarters until the second morning but the lower part of the chart can get through the quarters and not stay the second day unless they are in the semi finals. With the byes and sub brackets spread out every bracket has to wait and this aggravates many players for no real good reason.

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Earl Ball

Assigned TD21 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11/26/2009
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 06:41:35 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations Art.7(a).
The tournament director will place byes and sub brackets evenly throughout the chart.

Change:

If using sub brackets place them all at the top of the chart. If using byes place them all at the bottom of the chart.

Rationale:

This rule may have made sense when there were large numbers of players playing tournaments, but now there are plenty of courts in most cases. If you are in the upper bracket or the second bracket you may not play the quarters until the second morning but the lower part of the chart can get through the quarters and not stay the second day unless they are in the semi finals. With the byes and sub brackets spread out every bracket has to wait and this aggravates many players for no real good reason.

NameEmailPhone:

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Assigned TD22 (eo)
DateCompleted: 11/26/09
District: CTL
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 06:11:22 PM

ExistingRule:

Playing Rules C(1d) Changing ends after practice.

Change:

Yellow decides what end they want to play and Black matches up.

Rationale:

A lot of game playing takes place around this rule. The team playing yellow will often times stall taking their places hoping that black will go to their places on the court first. This rule can lead to a lot of lost time and hold the tournament up. Some organizations already have this rule.

NameEmailPhone:

Earl Ball

Assigned TD23 (eo)

DateCompleted: November 25 2009

District: SOU

B1: Submit

Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009

Time: 05:03:51 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 2 - ARRANGEMENTS FOR STATE TOURNAMENTS

2.

The Clubs within the District having the required twenty-four (24) courts in good playing condition will be eligible.

Change:

Delete.

Rationale:

Having tournaments without 24 courts brings the game to many more players which is good for our game. Since we have tournaments without 24 courts this is a contradiction to the rule.

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Assigned TD24 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 04:30:26 PM

ExistingRule:

D - SCORING

No Artificial Aid or Cue shall be used in judging discs. Use EYESIGHT ONLY, except in judging lagging discs. PENALTY: 5-Off.

STANDING RULE #5 No Aid, such as paper money or a magnifying glass, may be used to call close discs.

Change:

Tournament Directors are to use a magnifying glass to view third calls and third calls only.

Rationale:

We should try to get the most accurate call for third calls. Obviously the disc must be very close if a third call is needed. We use a tape measure for checking lagged discs that are close and do not rely on EYESIGHT ONLY.

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Assigned TD25 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 04:15:24 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 12 - DECORUM

The game of shuffleboard is being participated in by ever-increasing numbers. It is imperative that the carefully compiled rules and regulations for the game be fully understood and carried out.

Any indifference or conduct during tournament play regarded by tournament directing officials to be unbecoming to the sportsmanship must be reported to the President of the FSA for immediate consideration and/or action.

Excessively hard shooting poses a real danger to the well-being of both players and spectators and should be avoided as much as possible. While no acceptable criterion for this undesirable practice has yet been devised, each tournament player should exercise restraint and use good judgment in this respect.

It is requested that players refrain from smoking on the courts during a game due to the fact that many shuffleboard players suffer from health problems that are worsened by smoke inhalation.

Change:

To be added: If an error occurs going out on wrong color or wrong scoring is noticed, spectators and players are urged and should declare infraction with no ill feelings by anyone.

Rationale:

We all play hard and want to win, but this should be done legally. Lets keep our game clean and fair and not let an oversight affect the score.

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Assigned TD26 (eo)
DateCompleted: Novemebr 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 04:06:53 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 11 - PERMISSION NEEDED FROM TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR TO ALTER COURT

(a)

Any changes made in the condition of the court, such as sweeping, the use of glass beads, etc., shall be determined by the Tournament Director or his/her assistant, unless all players involved agree. Host Club officials will sweep and/or bead the court as directed. Any changes of court will also be determined by the Tournament Director or his/her assistant. "Once a match begins," no changes in the court shall be made except as authorized by the Tournament Director in the event of extremely unusual circumstances which may have rendered the court unplayable; such decision to be made ONLY by the Tournament Director.

Change:

Unless any two (2) players involved agree.

Rationale:

Many of our courts are highly polished and are ultra smooth, beads scatter just from cues touching the surface of the court. Some players don't want fresh beads just to contrary. The result is, by the time the match is over, we are playing with chattering discs on courts that are not fully beaded. The court condition should be the same for the first teams that used it as well as the second and third teams. Beads are not that expensive and it does not take but a few seconds to add beads to a court.

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Assigned TD27 (eo)

DateCompleted: November 25 2009

District: SOU

B1: Submit

Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009

Time: 04:00:19 PM

ExistingRule:

C - PLAYING RULES

10.

Players shall not touch live discs at any time. PENALTY: 10-Off, plus any 10-Offs the offender has on the board. Other good discs of offender shall not count. Opponent's good discs on the court shall be credited to opponent's score, EXCEPT any 10-Offs, and the half-round shall be played over, UNLESS game point has been reached by offender's opponent. Except, in non-walking singles if a live disc is touched the end shall be played over with no penalty assessed and no score allowed.

Change:

To be added: Unless disc is touched my shooter or his/her opponent.

Rationale:

The rule is just as it stands because a person judging this is not your partner or your opponent. However it might be unclear as shooter can check disc as well as your opponent and disc might be touched by either of them.

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Assigned TD28 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 03:51:42 PM

ExistingRule:

G - SUBSTITUTES

1.
Once a tournament starts, there will be no substitutes allowed in any tournament played in the State of Florida. Tournament starts when the draw is completed.

Change:

Remove this heading G - SUBSTITUTES. Keep the wording of the rule but list it under C - PLAYING RULES as 1.e

Rationale:

It is more than 20 years that substitutes were permitted there is no reason to keep a separate heading when this is a playing rule.

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Assigned TD29 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
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ExistingRule:

ART. 7 - SEEDING AND CHART CONTROL

(a)

ALL State and District Tournaments placed on the chart shall be player drawn with no seeding of players. In all State Pro Tournaments, the draw shall determine the sequence of play in both the Main Event and Consolation. Players will register on the first scheduled day of the tournament before 9:00 A.M., at which time Registration will stop and the chart made up. The District may close Registration as early as 8:30 A.M. at a District-Sponsored Tournament. (This change must be fully advertised, either in the Preview Schedule or otherwise). To qualify for a place on the chart, all players must have signed the Release Form and be present at time of draw. However, those who did not register may apply to the Tournament Director and, at his/her discretion, will be placed on the chart without benefit of draw. The Tournament Director, when making up the charts, will place all byes and sub-bracket players evenly throughout the chart, consistent with the pairing of such players.

(b)

The following restrictions will apply concerning the Tournament Director making court assignments:

1.

No match is to be called before 9:00 A.M. or after 4:00 P.M., except 100-Point Consolation matches may be called until 4:30 P.M. Eligible matches must be called until 4:00 P.M.

2.

A player will not be required to play more than three (3) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, one (1) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and three (3) 100-Point matches, two (2) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and two (2) 100-Point matches, four (4) 100-Point matches or (3) 2 of 3 12 frame matches in the same day. A match to be completed from a previous day does not count in the tabulation of matches to be played in a day.

3.

The only way a match can be played beyond these limits is if all players agree to play.

Change:

To be added:

4.

Player is not required to play when he/she feels it is too dark to see.

Rationale:

During daylight saving time in November, December and January it gets dark between 4:45p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

I feel a rule should be in effect that players are not forced to play under such circumstances when lighting is not available.

NameEmailPhone:

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Assigned TD30 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 03:29:29 PM

ExistingRule:

COURT REFEREE shall have complete charge of play on court assigned to him/her. He/She shall consult his/her Divisional Referee on APPEALS FROM PLAYERS. He/She shall be sole authority on decisions and scores, except as above noted. He/She shall inform players of any rules and regulations made for the tournament. He/She shall give signal for start of play, shall call disc good or no count, shall remove dead discs from play, shall announce score at end of each play, shall have charge of color indicator, and announce color lead.

He/She shall announce any violation of rules to players and instruct scorer as to penalty of same. He/She shall supervise the scoring and assure himself/herself that it is correctly done. He/She shall not touch live discs in determining whether they are good or no count. If he/she should disturb live discs, half-round played over. He/She shall not gather discs for the players. He/She shall sign score card at end of match and verify that scores are correct.

For any rule violation seen by the Referee, a fine must be mandatory, with Referee giving no warning at any time in all tournaments.

Change:

To be added to E5.
Tournament Director shall read the rule directly to offender when imposing a penalty.

Rationale:

There is usually not more than one or two penalties imposed during a tournament. We have all seen tournament directors impose incorrect decisions without referring to the rules and then later realize this, and say they are sorry for the mistake. However the damage has been done. If the rule is read to the offender he/she would be more apt to accept or deny the ruling as this will have been made clear by the Tournament Director.

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Assigned TD31 (eo)
DateCompleted: November 25 2009
District: SOU
B1: Submit
Date: Thursday, November 26, 2009
Time: 03:16:07 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 12 - DECORUM

The game of shuffleboard is being participated in by ever-increasing numbers. It is imperative that the carefully compiled rules and regulations for the game be fully understood and carried out.

Any indifference or conduct during tournament play regarded by tournament directing officials to be unbecoming to the sportsmanship must be reported to the President of the FSA for immediate consideration and/or action.

Excessively hard shooting poses a real danger to the well-being of both players and spectators and should be avoided as much as possible. While no acceptable criterion for this undesirable practice has yet been devised, each tournament player should exercise restraint and use good judgment in this respect.

It is requested that players refrain from smoking on the courts during a game due to the fact that many shuffleboard players suffer from health problems that are worsened by smoke inhalation.

Change:

Last paragraph to be deleted in its entirety. To be replaced by "There is to be no smoking on or around courts at any time".

Rationale:

This should be a rule, not a request.

NameEmailPhone:

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Assigned TD32(eo)

DateCompleted: 12/4/09

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, December 04, 2009

Time: 02:22:13 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations - ART. 8 - Player Eligibility, General item b) In a Pro tournament, there must be a Men's and Ladies' or Mixed Divisions. In a Pro tournament, other than a State sponsored or statewide event, there may be any combination of players in a doubles competition.

Change:

Change item b) State Sponsored Pro tournaments specified as Doubles, will consist of Mixed Doubles, or an Open division and a Ladies division. The Open division may consist of any combination of players. In a Pro doubles tournament other than State sponsored or statewide event, a club may choose either an Open division or Mixed Doubles format.

Rationale:

Insofar as most all tournaments today (including State sponsored Amateur tournaments) consist of Men and Women competing together without regard for sex, excluding women at the Pro level demeans women by signaling that they are not as capable as men, and, the current rule may be in violation of equal opportunity and fairness laws. The rules as they stand places men and women together at all Beginner and Amateur levels where the game is learned and played, yet women are not permitted to compete at the highest levels with Men on a regular basis because of the current rule.

Continuing to maintain a Ladies division for those who choose and do not wish to compete at the highest level with Men, could continue to do so.

NameEmailPhone:

Terry Rainwater - TRainwater@tampabay.rr.com

Assigned TD 33(eo)

DateCompleted: Dec 06, 2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 06, 2009

Time: 04:39:36 AM

ExistingRule:

c-25

Any team or individual that forfeits or is forfeited in a game or match, up to and including the quarter-finals, is DISQUALIFIED from the tournament.

Change:

c-25

Any team or individual that forfeits in a game or match, up and including the finals, is DISQUALIFIED from the tournament.

Rationale:

If you play in a tournament you should be AVAILABLE for the 2 or 3 days of the tournament and play all your games.

It is apparent that the FSA President's verbal message is not getting through.

No play, no points, no prize \$\$. THIS SHOULD BE THE NORM unless you have a very valid reason. (Not a supper or a tee off time or XYZ)

Each of us must encourage fair play and sportsmanship and ensure that the positive image of the game is maintained.

NameEmailPhone:

Francois Labelle 4348 labelley2@hotmail.com

Assigned TD34(eo)

DateCompleted: 12-09-2009

District: SWC

B1: Submit

Date: Wednesday, December 09, 2009

Time: 05:17:59 PM

ExistingRule:

New rule Amateurs moving up to fast!!!

Change:

In District Amateur tournaments in the Southwest District in which there are fewer than eight teams entered, players may not receive move-up points. They will receive points toward our Amateur Masters Tournament.

Rationale:

Our district separates State Amateurs and District Amateurs in most of our District tournaments. The major purpose of this being our judgment that new players need adequate time to acquire the experience necessary to compete at a higher level. This is for the Southwest District but other districts may want to follow suit!!!

NameEmailPhone:

Al Nuttall President of th South West District

Assigned TD35 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/11/2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, December 11, 2009

Time: 03:10:39 PM

ExistingRule:

C24.A match will be forfeited after the third call of 5-minute intervals, total 15 minutes.

Change:

Expand the rule:

C24. A match will be forfeited after the third call of 5-minute intervals, total 15 minutes, starting from the time that a playable court is available.

Rationale:

This situation has apparently come up before but the rule has never been clarified. A match should only be forfeited after the time allotted has expired if the match can be called to a useable court. For example, in the case of rain and no courts are playable, then no forfeiture may be made.

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Assigned TD36 (eo)

DateCompleted: December 11 2010

District: SOU

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, December 11, 2009

Time: 03:44:56 PM

ExistingRule:

C-26 No electronic equipment (cell phones, etc) allowed on court

Change:

To be added, Penalty 5-Off. Penalty to be deducted from score by violator. Tournament Director to be summoned only if necessary.

Rationale:

Cell Phones are disturbing not only by breaking the concentration of the opponent, but the concentration of all players nearby. If the call is answered it then causes a delay in game as well as a further disturbance having to hear someones conversation. Some players in the districts as well as at the State level have taken advantage of this rule, since it carries no penalty. To enforce this rule a fine must be mandatory giving no warning at any time to the violator.

NameEmailPhone:

Steve Biaggi 239-481-2832

DateCompleted: 12/11/2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, December 11, 2009

Time: 04:16:59 PM

Assigned TD37 (eo)

ExistingRule:

ART. 5 - INFORMATION ABOUT TOURNAMENTS

The printed schedules in the Preview will contain, as far as is practicable, information heretofore given in invitations, to include among other items those shown below. The information should be included by each Host District Cub with its request for a tournament (Art. 4(a)). All tournaments played in the State of Florida must be played by the Florida State Rules and Regulations.

Change:

ART. 5 - INFORMATION ABOUT TOURNAMENTS

The printed schedules in the Preview will contain, as far as is practicable, information included by each Host District Cub with its request for a tournament (Art. 4(a)). All tournaments played in the State of Florida must be played by the Florida State Rules and Regulations.

Rationale:

Extraneous wording deleted, especially 'other items those shown below' where there aren't any.

NameEmailPhone:

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Assigned TD38 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/11/2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Friday, December 11, 2009

Time: 04:35:06 PM

ExistingRule:

ART.7(b)2.

A player will not be required to play more than three (3) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, one (1) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and three (3) 100-Point matches, two (2) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and two (2) 100-Point matches, four (4) 100-Point matches or (3) 2 of 3 12 frame matches in the same day. A match to be completed from a previous day does not count in the tabulation of matches to be played in a day.

Change:

ART.7(b)2.

A player will not be required to play more than:

- (a) Three (3) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches,
- (b) One (1) two-out-of-three 75-Point match and three (3) 100-Point matches,
- (c) Two (2) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches and two (2) 100-Point matches,
- (d) Four (4) 100-Point matches or
- (e) Three (3) two-out-of-three 12 or 16 frame matches in the same day.

A match to be completed from a previous day does not count in the tabulation of matches to be played in a day.

Rationale:

Clarification and addition of 16 frame match.

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal(KOR) capri@embarqmail.com

Assigned TD39 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12-12-2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2009

Time: 06:08:12 PM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations Art 4(d)

Approved schedule will be printed and passed out

Change:

approved schedule will be available on the FSA web site as soon as possible after approval.

Rationale:

the computer makes the job so much easier and doesn't cause as many hard feelings. No matter how many copies are run, it doesn't seem to be enough and people get upset when you won't give them as many copies as they want. Each Club can run as many copies as they want.

NameEmailPhone:

Earl Ball

Assigned TD40 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 08:55:50 AM

ExistingRule:

ART.13 - AMENDMENTS

At the Annual meeting, any proposed playing rule amendment or regulation change shall be provided to each District President and Board member. etc.....

Change:

ART.13 - AMENDMENTS

At the Annual meeting, any proposed playing rule amendment, regulation, or standing rule change shall be provided to each District President and Board member. etc

Rationale:

Add the words 'standing rule' to allow changes to the standing rules via 10 day notice. Without this ammendment, standing rules may only be changed at executive board meetings. The only mention of updates to standing rules are that they be published annually after the March meeting (standing rule 17). Insofar as other 10 day notice proposals to the standing rules, it would appear that this proposal needs to be passed before any others may be considered.

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD41 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12-12-2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2009

Time: 06:10:55 PM

ExistingRule:

Standing rule 4.

all State minutes to be sent to various offices and Sam Allen.

Change:

minutes will be available on the FSA web site.

Rationale:

This is how the job is really done.

NameEmailPhone:

Earl Ball

Assigned TD42 (eo)

DateCompleted: Dec, 13 2009

District: CTL

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 06:12:21 AM

ExistingRule:

State and District Tournament Regulations.

ART.7 - SEEDING AND CHART CONTROL

(a)To qualify for a place on the chart, all players must have signed the Release Form and be present at time of draw.

Change:

(a)To qualify for a place on the chart, all players must have signed the Release Form and be present for the duration of the draw for eligibility to FSA / District points and prize money.

Rationale:

This will support change to rule C-25.. Assign TD 33 (eo)

NameEmailPhone:

Francois Labelle 4348 labelley2@aol.com

Assigned TD43 (eo)

DateCompleted:

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 10:52:26 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 5.

No aid, such as paper money or a magnifying glass, may be used to call close discs. (Approved Oct., 1979)

Change:

Delete

Rationale:

Already covered in Playing Rule D2

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD44 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:03:43 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rules 2, 7, 10, 13

PREVIEW ads will be One Quarter, One Half, or Full Page only. (Approved Oct., 1979)

Use of RED INK in Centerspread Tournaments is reserved to designate State-sponsored Tournaments ONLY. (Approved Feb., 1983)

District PREVIEW ads and information must be sent to State President no later than May 15. Out-of-State ads no later than August 1. (Approved Oct., 1985)

District to have one PREVIEW page for Officers and up-coming tournaments, and one page for Results. (Approved March, 1990)

Change:

Include these rules under a new section "Preview Information" and change the following:

District PREVIEW ads and information must be sent to FSA Preview Editor no later than May 15. Out-of-State ads no later than August 1 unless otherwise agreed upon. Payment for ads must be sent to the FSA Treasurer as soon as possible.

Rationale:

Clarification

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD45 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:08:15 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 12.

At no time during a tournament shall a player (Amateur or Pro) be required to play on courts other than those at the Club where they registered, EXCEPT by special exemption of the tournament director in consultation with all board members present at the tournament. (Approved March, 1999)

Change:

No change except to Move this playing rule out of the Standing Rules and add as a paragraph to Art. 5

Rationale:

Clarification

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD46 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:14:14 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 14.

The Keeper of Records' duties are: etc,.....

Change:

Simplify the rule as follows:

14. The Keeper of Records' (webmaster) Duties are:

- (a) Post the weekly results of state authorized tournaments on the Website.
- (b) Periodically post current and lifetime points earned in state authorized tournaments.
- (c) Ensure that the Website accurately reflects additions and/or changes for tournaments and players.
- (c) Provide a list of Men and a list of Ladies eligible to play in the Tournament of Champions including any eligibility from the immediately preceding tournament plus current points list.
- (d) As the need arises, post documents such as Schedules, Minutes, Financial Forms, Rules, By-Laws.
- (e) Submit names of players to the chairman of HOF who have met eligibility requirements for election.
- (f) At the end of the season, update the Website to incorporate changes in:
 - tournament Report Forms,
 - tournaments and associated links
 - databases
 - player status
- (g) At the end of the season, provide following for Preview publication:
 - Pro and Amateur state tournament results
 - List of current and lifetime master points for Ladies & Mens divisions.
 - Results and photos of State Sponsored Pro & Amateur tournaments.
 - List of Roll of Champions - top 24 ladies & top 24 men
 - List of past Florida Masters winners
- (h) Every 5th season (starting with the 1995-96 Preview) prepare the 5-year summary for Publication in the Preview: Player Name, Current Points, Past four season's points, Prior Points, Total lifetime points.

Rationale:

Simplification - currently too mixed up.

NameEmailPhone:

ED O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD47 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:16:29 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 9.

Keeper of Records to send results of Centerspread Tournaments to all District Record Keepers. (Approved Oct., 1991)

Change:

Delete rule. Already covered in KOR duties.

Rationale:

Clarification

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD48 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:26:10 AM

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 15.

Establish two levels of responsibility to assure that approved changes are incorporated as approved by the Board.

The first level is the "Coordinator of Changes," the second level is the Chairman of the Committee whose province the change affects.

(a) The responsibilities of the "Coordinator of Changes" are:

- 1) Compile a list of approved changes, as recorded in the Minutes.
- 2) Maintain contact with the second level person responsible for making the change.
- 3) If a rewrite is required for the PREVIEW, make certain it is completed and delivered several weeks before the PREVIEW goes to press, and its wording reflects the intent of the Board.
- 4) Check the PREVIEW after publication (in the event of a rewrite) to assure the change has not been inadvertently altered.
- 5) Remove the approved change from the list of changes when the change is printed as approved.

(b) The responsibility of the person at the second level are:

- 1) Prepare (or have prepared) the necessary paperwork associated with incorporating any change approved by vote of the Board. (Approved Oct., 1993)

Change:

Delete the rule, or change it so it makes sense.

Rationale:

Completely ambiguous. This seems to be directed at publication and final proofing of the Preview at which time there is no one available except the Preview Editor to fulfill these tasks.

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

DateCompleted: 12/13/2009

District: FSA Exec

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 11:30:35 AM

Assigned TD49 (eo)

ExistingRule:

Standing Rule 16.

The Standing Rules are to be published annually. They are to be updated annually after the March meeting, and a copy delivered to the State President, or his representative, for publication in the PREVIEW.
(Approved Oct., 1993)

Change:

Delete this rule.

Rationale:

Updates to the standing rules should be handled in the same manner as changes to any rules. No special handling is required.

NameEmailPhone:

Ed O'Neal (KOR)

Assigned TD50 (eo)

DateCompleted: Dec. 19, 2009

District: SWC

B1: Submit

Date: Sunday, December 20, 2009

Time: 06:25:46 AM

ExistingRule:

Article 11 - PERMISSION NEEDED FROM TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR TO ALTER COURTS

(b)

1. and 2a

Change:

1. Discs must be waxed before each tournament.

2a Before the second game, either team or player may elect to have their/his/her discs rewaxed for the second game if the host club has assigned personnel to wax discs. Practice is limited to a total of eight discs, there will be no additional practice allowed whether discs are waxed or not. Immediately after the color choice following the second game, either team or player may elect to have their discs waxed if the host club has assigned personnel to wax the discs for the third game. The host club must inform all players before the start of each tournament whether they will have assigned personnel to wax discs.

Rationale:

The practice of waxing discs after each match be at the option of the host park. The practice of forcing a park to have assigned personnel to wax discs for the benefit of the players cannot always be done.

Available personnel do not always want to be waxing discs for the benefit of players and not be able to watch the games. The use of hard wax is a benefit to the players as the discs can be kept in a better suitable playing condition if wax is used. Discs are also easier to maintain thru out the year with the used of hard wax, but to force a host club to have personnel to maintain the discs for the benefit of the players is absurd.

If the host club has personnel to wax the discs, allow them to do so, but not forced to do so. Remember, non-players are not slaves for the active players and do not always wish to cater to the players wishes, but discs can be maintained for better playing conditions for the players if the hard wax can be used. The non-players are already sweeping, beading and calling blocks for the players if the host club is able to provide the personnel to do so.

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Assigned TD51 (eo)

DateCompleted: December -22- 2009

District: SOU

B1: Submit

Date: Tuesday, December 22, 2009

Time: 02:55:09 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 7 - SEEDING AND CHART CONTROL

(b)

The following restrictions will apply concerning the Tournament Director making court assignments:

1.

No match is to be called before 9:00 A.M. or after 4:00 P.M., except 100-Point Consolation matches may be called until 4:30 P.M. Eligible matches must be called until 4:00 P.M.

2.

A player will not be required to play more than three (3) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, one (1) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and three (3) 100-Point matches, two (2) two-out-of-three 75-Point matches, and two (2) 100-Point matches, four (4) 100-Point matches or (3) 2 of 3 12 frame matches in the same day. A match to be completed from a previous day does not count in the tabulation of matches to be played in a day.

3.

The only way a match can be played beyond these limits is if all players agree to play.

Change:

TO BE ADDED:

No match shall be called until courts are playable.

OR:

All matches will be called promptly at starting time on second and third days regardless of weather conditions.

Rationale:

It seems to be unclear whether or not a player must be at a tournament at starting time on the second or third day, if there is inclement weather conditions.

I see no problem in adding either one of the above sentences. This would not leave the decision to a Tournament Director as to whether a player should be disqualified if arriving later than the opening time on a rainy day when the courts are not playable at that time.

Some wording should be added to our rules that would make it crystal clear as to when a player should arrive at the tournament.

NameEmailPhone:

Steve Biaggi 239-481-2832

Assigned TD52 (eo)

DateCompleted: December -29- 2009

District: SOU

B1: Submit

Date: Tuesday, December 29, 2009

Time: 02:05:30 PM

ExistingRule:

ART. 4 - SCHEDULING OF TOURNAMENTS

Change:

TO BE ADDED:

The number of State Amateur Centerfold Tournaments per district, shall be determined by the Florida Shuffleboard Association.

Rationale:

There has been much talk about Amateurs moving up too rapidly in all districts. One of the reasons for this is the amount of State Amateur Centerfold Tournaments being held. If the FSA restricted the number of these tournaments per district, this could help alleviate part of this problem. When we have such a tournament we are giving out move-up points to 14 players per tournament. The 2009-2010 schedule has 25 such tournaments not counting the 2 Redlines.

Central district	Eight (8)Tournaments.
South West	Five (5)Tournaments.
West coast	Four (4)Tournaments
Southern	Four (4)Tournaments
Nothern	Three(3)Tournaments
Central East	One (1)Tournament
Plus 2 Redline Tournaments.	

The FSA might also consider raising the move-up points from five(5) to six(6)

NOTE: Districts should keep in mind these move-up points apply when they schedule Amateur Tournaments within their district giving 14 players move-up points.

Districts having a Pro/Am Tournament give move-up points to a minimum of 7 players.

When districts hold an OPEN Tournament more often than not the Amateur will get beaten by 2 Pros thus no move-up points except for the Amateur that could be ready for Pro status.

Remember it's better to be an Amateur in demand than a Pro that cannot get a partner.

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Assigned TD53 (eo)

DateCompleted: 12/19/2009

District: SWC

B1: Submit

Date: Wednesday, December 30, 2009

Time: 02:30:57 PM

ExistingRule:

P. 146 PREVIEW, Article 11

Change:

At end of Article 11, add:

d. Clubs not usually waxing discs for Club play may wax discs in anticipation of a tournament, but need not wax during a tournament.

Rationale:

Nellaseal or similar wax used by many clubs on the bottom of a disc will last longer if hard wax is applied before a tournament. This wax will delay the wearing off of the Nellaseal so that the discs will run well until the finish of the tournament

NameEmailPhone:

John L. Brown revjohnbrown @netzero.net 941 756-8548

Assigned TD54 (eo)

DateCompleted: Jan. 2, 2010

District: SWC

B1: Submit

Date: Saturday, January 02, 2010

Time: 01:41:49 PM

ExistingRule:

Art. 9, (c) Pros

3.

This rule does not state if the player can acquire points and move back up to Pro.

Change:

I propose that if a player chooses to go back from pro to state amateur, due to a handicap, that that player then is given the option of being in a permanent level and does not receive any more move up points or master points.

Rationale:

If the person who chooses to go back does it for a handicap reason they therefore do not feel they are able to compete in their level of play. They still want to play but don't want to go back up to the original level.

NameEmailPhone:

Charles Daidone

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Assigned TD55 (eo)

DateCompleted: January 8, 2010
District: WCD
B1: Submit
Date: Friday, January 08, 2010
Time: 12:29:52 PM

ExistingRule:

RULES OF FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION

I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION RULES SET FORTH IN THE 58TH VOLUME DATED 2009-2010 AS PRINTED IN THE PREVIEW. UNDER THE PRESENT CONDITIONS SET FORTH, THE MAJORITY OF THESE RULES ARE NOT BEING ENFORCED IN TOURNAMENT PLAY.

Change:

I RECOMMEND THAT TWO SETS OF RULES BE WRITTEN FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY. ONE SET OF RULES THAT DICTATES PLAY WITH REFEREES AND ANOTHER SET WRITTEN FOR PLAY WITHOUT REFEREES. AT THE PRESENT TIME CURRENT RULES HAVE LUMPED TOGETHER TOURNAMENT PLAY WITH ONE SET OF RULES WITH REFEREES AND ONE SET OF RULES WITHOUT REFEREES UNDER THE SAME HEADING.

Rationale:

I REFER TO: (SECTION I-VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES). PENALTY RULES c-6, c-8, c-16, c-17 AS PROBABLY THE MOST VIOLATED RULES AT THE PRESENT TIME. EACH RULE HAS PENALTIES FROM 5 OFF TO 10 OFF EACH WHEN PLAYED WITH REFEREES ASSIGNED TO THE PLAYING COURTS. RULE 16 AND 17 CONTRADICT THE ENFORCEMENT OF THESE WRITTEN PENALTIES WHEN PLAYED WITHOUT REFEREES. IN OTHER WORDS, I INTERPRET THAT I CAN LEAVE THE COURT AT ANY TIME WITHOUT PERMISSION WITH NO PENALTY BEING ASSESSED BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF A REFEREE. LEAVING THE COURT WITHOUT PERMISSION IS A VIOLATION WITH A PENALTY OF 10 OFF. MOVING A DISC ACCIDENTLY IN THE SCORING DIAGRAM CAN RESULT IN A 10 OFF PLUS PENALTY. CURRENTLY THIS VIOLATION HAS THE "PROVE IT" MENTALITY CONTRADICTING THE ORIGINAL STATED RULE. AGAIN, DUE TO NO REFEREE PRESENT. IN MY OPINION, I BELIEVE THAT WHEN A RULE IS UNENFORCEABLE, THEN THERE IS NO RULE.

SOME RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS: I RECOMMEND ALL TOURNAMENT PLAYERS TAKE WRITTEN TESTS RELATED TO FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS AS ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A PROFESSIONAL SHUFFLEBOARD PLAYER IN THE FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION. CURRENTLY THERE IS NO PROFESSIONAL ATMOSPHERE AMONG COMPETITION WHEN PLAYERS CAN LEAVE THEIR COURT WHILE THEIR OPPONENT IS SHOOTING A DISC. ALSO AS AN EXAMPLE, TALKING BACK AND FORTH WITH THEIR PARTNERS AT THE OTHER END, SCREAMING AND HOLLERING WHEN DELIVERING A DISC, DISCUSSING THE GAME WITH BYSTANDERS WHILE OPPONENT IS SHOOTING, CALLING OPPONENT BY NAME AS HE OR SHE IS SHOOTING A DISC, ASKING PARTNER AT OTHER END TO CHECK A DISC, ANSWERING A CELL PHONE DURING SCHEDULED PLAY, ETC., ETC. ALL THESE VIOLATIONS AND MANY OTHERS NOT MENTIONED ARE NOT BEING ENFORCED, AGAIN DUE TO THE PROVE IT ATTITUDE.

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I SUGGEST, IN ORDER TO IMPROVE DECORUM AND PLAY THE GAME OF SHUFFLEBOARD AS IT WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED, AN INCREASE PLAYER ENTRANCE FEE OF \$20.00 SHOULD BE CHARGED TO ENTER ALL TOURNAMENTS PLAYED WITH REFEREES. WITH REFEREES PRESENT, PLAYERS WOULD THEN HAVE TO ADHERE TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS. PRESENTLY THERE ARE PLAYERS WHO ARE HAVING A GOOD TIME AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHERS AND ARE NOT BEING PENALIZED FOR THEIR ACTIONS. THE \$20.00 PLAYER ENTRANCE FEE IS NOT OUT OF ORDER COMPARED TO BOWLING FEES AND/OR GOLFING FEES. REFEREES WOULD BE PAID \$5.00 PER MATCH. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL PLAYER ENTRANCE FEES AND THE TOTAL REFEREE FEE EXPENSE WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, THE ASSOCIATION, THE CLUB AND INCREASED PRIZE MONEY. BECAUSE THE MEMBER CLUBS OF THE ASSOCIATION ARE THE NECESSARY AND IMPORTANT LINK TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE GAME OF SHUFFLEBOARD, I BELIEVE THEY SHOULD RECEIVE THE MAJORITY OF THE INCREASED INCOME IN ORDER TO TRAIN AND PROVIDE REFEREES.

EXAMPLE: 64 CHART MEN'S OR LADIES DOUBLES 128 PLAYERS @ \$20.00 EACH
\$2,560.00

62 REFEREE FEES MAIN AND CONSOLATION		310.00

INCOME BEFORE DISTRIBUTION		\$2,250.00
DISTRIBUTION		
ADDITIONAL PRIZE MONEY		\$ 800.00
HOST CLUB	\$ 900.00	
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR		\$ 250.00
FLORIDA ASSOCIATION		\$ 300.00
	-----	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION
\$2,250.00		

I BELIEVE THE ADDITIONAL PRIZE MONEY ADDED TO THE TOURNAMENT SPONSORS PRIZE MONEY WILL ATTRACT NEW CLUB MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN TOURNAMENT SHUFFLEBOARD. THE MONEY DISTRIBUTION AMOUNTS PRESENTED ABOVE ARE ONLY AN EXAMPLE AND WOULD HAVE TO BE DISCUSSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION.

NOTE: THE FIRST ROUND OF A 64 PLAYER CHART WILL NOT HAVE REFEREES. DESIGNATED PEOPLE FROM THE HOST CLUB WILL MONITOR PROPER PLAY AND RULE ENFORCEMENT BY WALKING ALONG THE OUTSIDE OF COURTS.

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