

DARTS BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL RANKED TOURNAMENT INFORMATION PACKAGE

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1. OUTLINE

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this package is to provide a detailed set of guidelines for all DBCA sanctioned and provincially ranked tournaments. This will help to ensure consistency throughout DBCA ranked tournaments and provide a controlled forum for a suitable ranking system.

1.2 GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 1.2.1 The DBCA has organized a provincially ranked tournament structure to give all players the opportunity to improve their skill and standings within the province.
- 1.2.2 All DBCA sanctioned events must embody the purposes of the Society, as are written in the DBCA Constitution:
 - a.) To promote, within the Province of British Columbia, interest in the game [of darts] and the true spirit of the said game;
 - b.) To establish control and the development of darts for men, women and children regardless of age, race color or creed;
 - c.) To apply for and obtain all such licenses and permits from Municipal, Provincial or other authority as may be required for the purposes of the Society;
 - d.) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives of the society.
- 1.2.3 All DBCA ranked tournaments will be 'Open' events, where all players are eligible to compete regardless of national, provincial or league affiliation, provided they are not, at the time of the event, suspended or expelled from either the DBCA or NDFC.
- 1.2.4 Any player who is currently suspended or expelled from either the DBCA or NDFC is ineligible to participate in <u>any</u> event at a DBCA Ranked Tournament.
- 1.2.5 The DBCA shall govern all provincially ranked tournaments within the province of BC.





- 1.2.6 The DBCA is required to authorize all NDFC ranked tournaments held within its jurisdiction, in accordance with NDFC Regulations.
- 1.2.7 For NDFC tournaments held within the province of BC, all NDFC regulations and rules of play must be adhered to. <u>If a DBCA regulation or rule of play conflicts with an NDFC regulation or rule of play, the NDFC regulation or rule of play shall be considered overriding.</u>
- 1.2.8 To receive authorization for NDFC ranking, all events in BC must be DBCA ranked.

2. EVENT ORGANIZATION

2.1 DBCA APPLICATION

Any person(s) applying to host a DBCA ranked tournament must be a "<u>member in good standing</u>" of the DBCA. The application to host a provincially ranked tournament is contained within this package and shall be completed in full. Any not applicable fields shall be marked as 'N/A'. (See Appendix A.)

- 2.1.1 The application shall be in the hands of the **DBCA Tournament Director**, a minimum of **2 months** prior to the tournament date.
- 2.1.2 Applications for provincially ranked tournaments received less than 2 months prior to the tournament date may be accepted at the Board of Directors discretion.
- 2.1.3 The Board of Directors shall provide final approval for sanctioning of provincially ranked tournaments.
- 2.1.4 The application for a DBCA and/or NDFC ranked tournament must be submitted to the **DBCA Tournament Director** on a yearly basis for approval; at which time a DBCA ranking number will be given upon approval.
- 2.1.5 All applications for NDFC ranked tournaments must be approved by the DBCA Board of Directors and must be issued a DBCA ranking number before any application can be submitted to the NDFC. This must also be done on a yearly basis.





2.2 DBCA FEES

- 2.2.1 There will be a DBCA charge of \$1.00 (per person), per event. This includes the singles ranking fee, and shall be submitted with the tournament results.
- 2.2.2 The DBCA shall require a \$10 fee to register a DBCA Ranked Tournament.

3. TOURNAMENT CRITERIA

3.1 TOURNAMENT EVENTS

- 3.1.1 In addition to other requirements listed throughout this document, for a tournament to be sanctioned as a provincially ranked tournament, the tournament shall meet the following criteria:
 - a) The facility shall be appropriate in size, and
 - b) Must consist of:
 - a. Men's Singles
 - b. Women's Singles
 - c. A minimum of 2 other events of the organizers' choosing, and
 - c) All DBCA ranked tournaments must use a round-robin to straight knockout format. (Refer to Section 4 Round Robin Format and Section 5 Knock Out Round Robin Format.)

3.2 TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

- 3.2.1 Each tournament may be open to all youth participants, organizers or volunteers, provided they are eligible to compete and liquor licenses or municipal by-laws permit them access to the venue.
- 3.2.2 NDFC Rules of Play shall apply throughout all events at all DBCA ranked tournaments
- 3.2.3 A copy of the NDFC Rules of Play must be available to all players competing in any event at a DBCA ranked tournament.





- 3.2.4 All disputes will be resolved by the tournament organizer/Director or a DBCA Executive Member, who is not involved in the dispute. Each dispute must be resolved by a formal review of the applicable NDFC Rule of Play.
- 3.2.5 Failure to adhere to the DBCA guidelines, including the submission of fees and tournament results, may result in the removal of the ranking points from the players participating in the tournament, and the tournament shall be placed on probation for a period of one year.

3.3 SUBMISSION OF TOURNAMENT FEES

- 3.3.1 The results for all provincially ranked tournaments shall be submitted on the Tournament Result Submission Form (See Appendix B) included in this package and shall be completed in full.
- 3.3.2 The results submission form shall be received by the President or Provincial Director and/or post marked no later than 14 days after the completion of the event. If sending electronically, email to dbca.executive@gmail.com
- 3.3.3 The \$1.00 fee (per person) for each event shall be included with the results submission form.— If sending electronically, email transfer to dbca.payments@gmail.com

3.4 PAYOUTS

3.4.1 A minimum of \$3,0000 total prize money must be guaranteed and paid out.

Men's Singles and Women's Singles events <u>must</u> payout prize money based on the Payout Breakdown Chart shown below (this is not to say that the monies must be exact):

Rank	2 Sheets	4 Sheets	8 Sheets	16 Sheets	32 Sheets
1 st	40%	40%	35%	35%	35%
2 nd	30%	30%	25%	25%	25%
Joint 3 rd	15%	15%	10%	10%	10%
Joint 5 th			*5%	*5%	*5%

^{*} The above is based on maximum 128 entries (Refer to 3.4.4)





- 3.4.2 Tournament organizers can determine the payout structure for all other events. It is *recommended* that the payout breakdown chart shown in section 3.4.1 be used for all events.
- 3.4.3 Players must be paid down to the following, based on the number of players/teams

Minimum 8 - less than 33	Top 4	Minimum 33 - less than 65	Top 8
Minimum 65 - less than 129	Top 16	Minimum 129 - less than 257	Top 32
More than 256	Top 64		

3.4.4 The Entry fees and Payout Submission form (See Appendix B) included in this package shall be completed in full and submitted along with the Tournament Result Submission Form. This form will help the Tournament Director(s) on calculating payouts, and will also be kept by Darts BC for historical statistics.

4. ROUND ROBIN FORMAT

4.1 SECTIONS AND SEEDING

The number of round robin sections for each event will be determined by the number of players/teams competing. The following breakdown **must** be used:

Players/Teams	<u>NDFC</u>	*DBCA
8 to 16	2	4
17 to 32	4	8
33 to 64	8	16
65 to 128	16	32

^{*} If DBCA Ranked Shoot only, either formant may be followed. If NDFC Ranked Shoot NDFC format must be followed.





- 4.1.1 Each player / team will play 3 games (for a total of up to 3 wins) against each player in their section.
- 4.1.2 The top 4 players / teams will always advance to the knockout round.
- 4.1.3 All round robin sections must be determined by random draw, by either manually, mechanical or electronic means; except 'seedable ranked players', which must be seeded in accordance with Section 4.1.6.
- 4.1.4 All Men's Singles and Women's Singles events must be seeded based on DBCA ranking:
 - a.) It the responsibility of the Tournament Director to obtain an up-to-date ranking list from the DBCA executive no more than 7 days prior to the tournament.
 - b.) Players will be seeded by their previous years ranking in the first DBCA ranked tournament of a new playing season.
 - c.) The number of seeded players is determined by the number of round robin sections.
 - i.) The chart below outlines the number of DBCA ranked players to be seeded depending on the number of round robin sections.

Sections	Seeded Players
2	2
4	4
8	8
16	16

- ii.) The 'Seeded Players' column represents the maximum number of DBCA ranked players to be seeded for any Men's Singles or Women's Singles event.
- 4.1.5 If the maximum number of 'seedable ranked players' are not competing in a Men's Singles or Women's Singles event, all other DBCA ranked players must be seeded.





4.1.6 The highest DBCA ranked player will always hold the 1st ranking seed.

For example: If the 1st and 2nd DBCA ranked players are not competing in a Men's Singles or Women's Singles event, then:

- i.) the 3rd DBCA ranked player would become the 1st ranking seed;
- ii.) the 4th DBCA ranked player would become the 2nd ranking seed, and so on

The following charts outline how 'seedable ranked players' are to be seeded by section:

	PACKAGE A 16 SECTIONS 16 SEEDS	PACKAGE B 8 SECTIONS 8 SEEDS	PACKAGE C 4 SECTIONS 4 SEEDS
SEED#1	Section A	Section A	Section A
SEED#2	Section F	Section C	Section C
SEED#3	Section B	Section G	Section B
SEED#4	Section E	Section E	Section D
SEED#5	Section D	Section D	
SEED#6	Section G	Section B	
SEED#7	Section C	Section F	
SEED#8	Section H	Section H	
SEED#9	Section I		
SEED # 10	Secion N		
SEED # 11	Section J		
SEED # 12	Section M		
SEED # 13	Section L		
SEED # 14	Section O		
SEED # 15	Section K		
SEED # 16	Section P		





- i.) The 1st seeded player must always appear in Section A, the 2nd seeded player in Section B and so on.
- ii.) For events with greater than 16 sections, one DBCA ranked player will be seeded per sheet. Continue from the bottom of the above chart, moving upward for the placement of each of the next seeds. For example, in Package B, Seed 9 would go in Section H, Seed 10 in Section F, and so on.

<u>Note</u>: DBCA ranked players must always be seeded in this format. This ensures appropriate seeding in the knockout round. All ranking point(s) earned from the Men's Singles and Women's Singles events may be voided, if this seeding format is not used. If hosting a NDFC sanctioned tournament must use the seeding format supplied by the NDFC.





5. KNOCK OUT FORMAT

5.1 MEN'S KNOCK OUT ROUNDS

- 5.1.1 Men's Singles knock out rounds will consist of a minimum best-of-5 series until the semi-finals.
- 5.1.2 The semi-finals will consist of a minimum best-of-7 series.
- 5.1.3 The finals will consist of a minimum best-of-9 series.

5.2 WOMEN'S KNOCK OUT ROUNDS

- 5.2.1 Women's Singles knock out rounds will consist of a minimum best-of-5 series until the finals.
- 5.2.2 The semi- finals will consist of a minimum best-of-7 series.
- 5.2.3 The finals will consist of a minimum best-of-7 series.

5.3 Non-Singles Knock Out Rounds

5.3.1 A minimum best-of-5 series is recommended for the knockout rounds for all other events.

6. RULES OF PLAY

6.1 RULES OF PLAY

- 6.1.1 All DBCA ranked tournaments must adhere to NDFC Rules of Play. (See Appendix E.)
- 6.1.2 If a raised oche (toe line) is not used, the front of the oche must be the minimum throwing distance.





6.2 PLAYING ATTIRE - SANCTIONED / RANKED TOURNAMENTS

- 6.2.1 Playing attire will be strictly enforced for both Singles Events.
 - Footwear Footwear will be closed-toed clean and not torn or ripped. No sandals, flip-flops or open-toed shoes.
 - Shirts Collared shirts are always required. No t-shirts, muscle-shirts, or sleeveless shirts.
 - Pants/Skirts Full length pants and knee length skirts. Jeans will be allowed, except for the Singles Event finals. No shorts or sweatpants.

***Players will be required to wear dress pants or skirts and collared shirts while playing in the Provincial Playdowns. ***

6.2.2 Headgear will not be worn without prior permission of the Organizers.

Such permission shall be given to players whose religious or moral duties require that the head be covered.

NOTE: ALL TOURNAMENT FORMS CAN BE FOUND BELOW IN THE APPENDICES SECTION BELOW, BUT CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT: http://www.dartsbc.ca/documents





7. APPENDICES

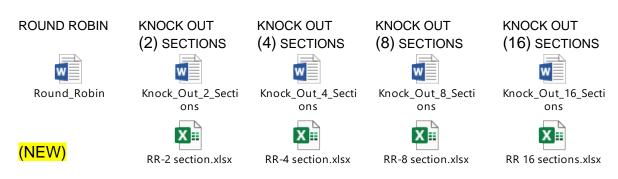
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