

OPERATING RULES of the SOUTHERN DISTRICT #7

SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION

1. The Southern District Organization shall operate under the Constitution and By-Laws of the Florida Shuffleboard Association Inc., Section 3, titled District Organizations, and The Roberts rules of Order. Rules pertinent to use only, and District Operating rules shall help govern a simple majority vote by the members of the District. These rules may be changed, altered, or eliminated by voting privilege. 11/16/89
2. The Board meetings will be open to guests from participating Shuffleboard Clubs with the restriction that they have no vote, and may voice only on permission of the President. 11/16/89, 1/18/18
3. We hereby authorize the District Executive Board to enforce all practices, hereto agreed upon and, to refuse membership, to a new applicant or suspend or drop any Member Club, that fails or refuses to pursue established customs or that discriminates against members of their Club, or members of any other affiliated Club. It is hereby agreed, that every member of any and all affiliated Clubs shall have the same rights in the State of Florida, to choose which of these Clubs he will represent in Tournaments. 11/16/89
4. Each Club proposing to conduct any District Tournaments during the active season (October through March) shall submit to the District President for approval a statement showing the type of tournament, proposed date and any other pertinent details. 11/2/17
6. The District shall operate under the eligibility rules of the State Association. Any District Rule that conflicts with this rule is hereby rescinded. (See State Rule regarding eligibility and the penalty for playing in a lower Division than is legal.) 11/16/89
7. All District Tournament Winners, both in the Main Event and Consolation, shall be listed in the Preview, even if it requires buying additional space. 11/16/89
8. A Masters Tournament will be held if feasibly possible. 2/6/89
 - a. Tournament of Champions name will be changed to Southern District Masters and be listed in the Preview as "Invitational". 10/16/90 Host Clubs for the Masters Tournaments will receive \$100.00 from the Southern District. 3/10/94
 - b. Starting in 2017, the Masters rotation will be: Citrus 2017, Lee County 2018, Pioneer Village 2019, Port Charlotte 2020, Riverwoods 2021, Jamaica Bay 2022. 2/9/2017
 - c. The Tournament Director shall be paid \$50 for each day of play-off or Tournament, with a maximum of \$150 for the Tournament. 1/18/18
 - d. The District Board will cover any expenses the Host Club has for providing coffee and donuts over and above what is received for that purpose from sponsors. 3/20/17

9. The District shall pay the expense of Banquet Tickets for the President, First Vice President, State Delegate and their spouses to attend the Annual State Banquet. Should any of the above not require a ticket then that money would remain in the treasury. The District will pay up to \$40.00 each towards the lodging for the President and the State Delegate for the State Annual Meeting unless it is paid for elsewhere. 3/1/18
10. A forfeiture in the finals will be permitted, but not encouraged, with the provision that the person forfeiting should notify the Tournament Director the night before. 1/18/18
11. A President, who has served the District, for at least one full year, shall be given a gift of recognition at the end of his or her term. 11/16/89
12. All District Tournaments are to have four places in Consolation. 11/16/89
13. All Clubs hosting a District Tournament must file a statement of Receipts and Expenditures for each District Tournament. Financial forms will be issued to each Club. The Southern Board has revised this form to fit the Southern District Tournaments and it must be used by all host clubs in the Southern District. 3/31/2011, 3/1/18
14. No League or Club in the Southern District shall run a Shuffleboard Tournament on a scheduled date of a Southern District Tournament. 11/16/89, 3/1/18
15. There is no minimum prize money. 3/31/2011
16. In case of a rain delay during a Tournament, same may be finished on a Sunday, if agreeable with Host Club. Should they object to Sunday play, then a decision would be made accordingly. 1/12/90
17. The Tournament Directors fee and the trainee fee will be paid by the Host Club. Tournament Director is to be paid \$100 and trainee fee is \$35 for 2nd through 5th tournament provided he is there the entire day. 3/1/18
19. Keeper of the Records will be an elected position on the Board, with voting privileges. 1/12/93
21. The District Tournament Director shall have voting privileges. 11/10/94
22. No active cell phones will be allowed on the Courts. 3/1/2001, 3/2/17
23. Tournament Director is to announce at each District Tournament, "Anyone, including Score Keepers and Observers are able to correct scores". 3/6/03
24. All Southern District Doubles Tournaments shall be 75 points, best 2 out of 3 games, main and consolation events divisions. 11/3/2016
25. Entry fee for the District Tournaments are raised to \$6.00, with the extra \$1.00 being split between the Host Club and the Southern District Board. The Sponsors money will be allocated to the Tournament that they sponsor. 10/24/2011
26. Non-Walking Singles will be best two-out-of-three of 12 frames, or 75 points, which ever comes first, MAIN or CONSOLATION event divisions. 10/23/10

27. During a tournament, no new game will start after 5:30 p.m. 3/12/2009

29. In a draw tournament, the Master's Point List will be used to move Amateur players to balance the draw. In the case of extra Pros, a list made up in advance would be used to let two Pros play together. All teams of two Pros would have to play together in the same bracket. 10/18/2007, 3/1/18

30. Any elected or appointed member of the board who has two (2) unexcused absences in one (1) year be replaced by the board. 1/08/2009

31. Anyone going into the District Hall of Fame will receive a jacket purchased by the Southern District Board. 10/31/2013, 1/18/18

32. The District Board will buy a gift, not to exceed \$100.00, to be given to all Southern District inductees going into the Florida State Hall of Fame. 10/30/2014

33. The District Board will purchase up to one page in the Preview for special recognition of players in the Southern District, such as players receiving their National Pin. 10/30/2014

34. The slate for the election of officers is to be posted not less than 2 weeks before an election. 1/22/2015

35. All Tournament Directors, when imposing a penalty for a violation of our rules, must read the rule to the offender from the Preview. 1/28/2016

36. All expenses other than operating expenses must be approved by the Southern District Board of Directors before reimbursement is allowed. No reimbursements will be allowed if this procedure is not followed. 3/3/2016