

RULES FOR SOUTHERN DISTRICT SHUFFLEBOARD MASTERS INVITATIONAL

1. There will be six tournaments: 3 for ladies and 3 for men as District Amateurs, State Amateurs, and Pros (3/10/1994) as determined by the point system. These tournaments will be held at different locations each year. All games will be non-walking singles (11/18/1993) 2 games of 75 points against each other player.
2. Points to determine players in the Masters are given in all Southern District Tournaments. The point system is as follows: Points will be given to the top four places in the main event and the top four places in consolation.

Effective 3/31/89 DOUBLES TOURNAMENTS

- 5 POINTS FOR 1st PLACE
- 4 POINTS FOR 2nd PLACE
- 3 POINTS FOR 3rd PLACE
- 2 POINTS FOR 4th PLACE

Effective 11/5/92 SINGLES TOURNAMENT

- 7 POINTS FOR 1st PLACE
- 5 POINTS FOR 2nd PLACE
- 4 POINTS FOR 3rd PLACE
- 3 POINTS FOR 4th PLACE
- 3 POINTS FOR 1st IN CONSOLATION
- 2 POINTS FOR 2nd IN CONSOLATION
- 1 POINT FOR 3rd IN CONSOLATION
- 1 POINT FOR 4th IN CONSOLATION

Effective 10/1/94

- 2 POINTS FOR 1st IN CONSOLATION
- 1 POINT FOR EACH OF THE REMAINING (2nd, 3rd, 4th) PLACES IN CONSOLATION

3. (a) The Tournament Director shall invite the top eight men and the top eight women of the District Amateurs, State Amateurs, and Pros to participate. If any group does not field 8 players, they will play all that have qualified in their group. (11/01/01)

(b) The player in 9th position for the year shall be the Alternate. Any ties will be played as per rule #6

(c) All active Alternates shall have the same recognition as players, i.e. Names and pictures in Preview, etc.
4. If a player refuses the invitation at that time, the refusal shall stand and Tournament Director shall invite the next eligible player. (12/21/90). Said player will not be permitted to volunteer to be alternate. (2/10/94).
5. A qualified player can play ever year. (11/16/89)

6. If there is a tie in points for the 8th position, the Tournament Director shall appoint neutral courts for a Play-Off. The Play-Offs will be played on Saturday (or the last day) of the last tournament of the season. (3/12/98)
 - (a) Should two players tie, the best 2 out of 3 games to 75 points.
 - (b) Should three players tie, numbers will be drawn and #1 and #2 will play 2 out of 3 games to 75 points. Then the winner will play #3 – 2 out 3 games to 75 points.
 - (c) Should four players tie, #1,#2, #3, and #4 will draw. The #1 and #2 will play each other 2 out of 3 games to 75 points. The #3 and #4 will play each other 2 out of 3 games to 75 points. The winners will play 2 out of 3 games to 75 points for position.
 - (d) Any additional play-offs will be covered by the tournament director.
7. In Masters, all ties remain ties. (6/12/04)
8. Players forfeiting during a game shall lose the game and the Alternate will automatically begin play for that player.
9. The district shall award all Roll of Champions, active players and alternates a pin at the opening of the tournament. (10/21/10) No pins will be mailed. Players that actually play in the Masters will receive a framed certificate if they complete the Masters Tournament. (02/19/09)
10. Players forfeiting WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR SHALL NOT PLAY in the Masters the following year.
11. All play shall be by the Southern District and F.S.A. Rules.
12. The 4:00 p.m. rule shall NOT apply to the Masters.
13. The Tournament Director is authorized to cancel further play after 2:00 p.m. as warranted per conditions, etc.
14. All players in the Masters Tournament will play two games with each player in their respective division, for a total of 14 games. (11/05/92)
15. Rain dates shall be scheduled in the following way. The District Masters cannot interfere with a State Tournament. The first rain date will be Sunday starting at

1:00 p.m. The next rain date will be the following Thursday starting at 8:30 a.m. followed by Friday and Saturday, if necessary.

16. Move-up points in the Masters will be discontinued effective March 1998.
(2/12/98)
17. All Masters qualifiers and their standings shall be listed in the Preview.
(12/12/91)
18. All players in the Masters are to receive a 5 x 7 picture of their division.
(11/05/92)
19. Players shall see a copy of these rules and agree to play by same.
20. No players on their own may negotiate how to determine the outcome of a game (lagging, for example). (2/19/09)
21. Players with master points will be expected to sign up that they intend to play or not to play in the Masters Tournament. No phone calls will be made to players to see if they intend to play in the tournament. The only calls that will be made are to the players on the bubble of making the tournament and to players that are involved in the playoff(s). No phone calls will be made to the top nine (9) players. (2/19/09)
22. Master Luncheon is free to all Southern District Shufflers. (03/21/13)