

The Rules and Code of Conduct



The NorCal Backgammon Championship

adopts the rules and code of conduct most commonly used in all structured backgammon clubs and tournaments. By registering in this tournament, it serves as the player's acknowledgment of the rules and code of conduct

Rules:

- Good sportsmanship is expected of all players, see Code of Conduct
- This is a 'Legal Moves' tournament. Any illegal play must be corrected if noticed by either player
- Any player may request a ruling from the tournament Director or Ruling Advisor
- Dice that rest unbalanced must be re-rolled, dice must land on the roller's home board
- Sharing one pair of dice is preferred, but not required
- Byes and initial pairings are randomly assigned
- No entrant may knowingly play below his or her skill level
- Penalty points may be applied when a player is late for the match. Players are allowed a 10-minute break in-between matches. If they do not return within 10-minjutes of the end of the break, 1 penalty point may be enforced and 1 penalty point for every additional 5-minutes
- Only cash will be accepted at the tournament site including final registration
- Cell phones mut be in silent mode
- Pictures of positions are allowed, so long as it does not delay play. In a clocked match the photographer's clock must be running while taking the picture
- The tournament is by invitation only. Any entry as a plyer or observer, may be refused with no reason given

Code of Conduct:

- Players who have grievances or complaints are free to express their views in a polite, appropriate manner, bringing any questions or complaints directly and privately to the attention of the Club Director. Berating or harassment of the organizers, directors or players will not be tolerated.
- Behavior such as cheating, fraud, violence or the threat of violence, slander and libel, and general disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
- Derogatory kibitzing by players or spectators should not occur
- Players should refrain from engaging in angry behavior and comments related to perceived bad dice or outcome of a match as that it disrupts overall atmosphere of positive play

~~ The tournament Directors Reserves the Right to dismiss any Player from the tournament if these Rules and Code of Conduct is violated ~~