

**Players**

1. Anyone 18 years of age or older may play in the Q.S.D.L. except those who have been specifically excluded by the Q.S.D.L.
2. All players must fill out/have filled out a league membership form in order to play.
3. Each team will consist of a minimum of 6 players and a maximum of 15.
4. Players may play for only one Q.S.D.L. team each season except by permission of the Executive, after consultation has taken place with all team captains impacted by the potential movement of a player.

**Play**

1. Darts must be thrown with both feet (including footwear) ***behind*** the oche.
2. A set ends when one team wins the best of three legs.
3. In Cricket, the game is won by the first team to close all numbers and bullseye(s) with a score equal to or greater than the opposing team.
4. A minimum of 6 different players must be used in each Game format unless a team has fewer than 6 players, in which case the rules in Appendix C - Shorthanded Procedures apply.
5. Teams may not use a dummy score for an absent player.
6. Doubles teams must consist of two different players.

**Start Time, Lineups and Saving Time**

7. Matches begin at 7:15 PM. When a team has less than 2 players available at 7:15 PM, a 15 minute grace will be granted. However, the first Doubles set will begin as soon as any 2 members of both teams are present at 7:15 PM.
8. Both Captains must complete their lineups for all sets at the beginning of the evening, with the understanding that **the next available game will be played, even if out of sequence.**
9. Players who are not present at the venue may be written into the lineup. However, if they are not present at the venue when it is their turn to play, they must:
  - a. Be replaced at that time with a team member who is available;
  - Or
  - b. Another available set must be played.
11. Once all playable doubles sets are finished, all unplayed doubles sets are forfeit.
12. **5 minute rule:** When player's name is written on the board, the time may be noted (at least one player from both teams notified). The player then has 5 minutes to present at the oche and begin the game. If a player does not show within the 5 minutes, that

player forfeits one leg. After the first leg is forfeit, and 5 more minutes pass without the players presenting themselves at the oche ready to play, the match is forfeit. If both players forfeit a leg, the final third leg will be played to decide the set.

13. If both captains agree that a leg is causing excessive delay to the evening, the leg may be decided by throwing for the bull. The team that wins the showing of a bull wins the leg.
14. Teams with fewer than 6 players at 7:30 PM will follow the re-cycling rules in Appendix C.
15. With the exception of forfeit rules, players must be present and have played the sets to receive credit for wins, losses, all-stars and weeks played.

### **Chalking and Scoring**

16. Chalking will be shared equally by both teams. Each team will be assigned a board, and will chalk all games on that board throughout the match.
17. Chalkers situated in view of a player shall restrict their movements and remain silent when players are throwing.
18. Upon request the chalker may tell a player what they have scored, and/or what they have left, **but the chalker cannot coach.**
19. It is the responsibility of the player to confirm the chalker's accuracy.
20. Players must leave all darts in the board until both the player and the chalker agree on the score. If darts are removed before the player and chalker agree on the score, the score shall be as calculated by the chalker.
21. Any dart thrown after the player has achieved a finish shall not count, as the leg is over at the time the finish is scored.
22. It is considered unsportsmanlike to throw a dart after finishing, busting, or in anger.
23. Only darts with points touching the board will be counted. Darts which bounce from the board may not be retaken (except when throwing for a bull). A dart shall count only if the point remains in or touching the board until after the player and chalker agree on the score. The player may secure the dart to prevent it from falling out while the score is being agreed upon.
24. At least two lines of math should be left on the board when erasing the board to make more room.
25. In Cricket: crossing out of closed numbers is not allowed (i.e. if both teams have closed 20s, do not put a line through the 20).
26. Calculators may be used to aid the chalker, but it is not encouraged. Applies to B West, East and C Divisions only. No calculators allowed in A Division.
27. **Errors in arithmetic may be corrected prior to the finish of the leg provided the original error remains on the board for review.**

## Coaching

28. If a player requests coaching, they must step off the oche and ask. Anyone can act as coach, except the chalker. In order to avoid confusion, only one person at a time may coach a player. **There is to be no shouting out of outs, scores, mistakes in scoring etc. while players are in active play.**
29. **A chalker cannot act as a coach.**

## Showing A Bull

30. Each game will begin with one player from each going for the bull. The home team shoots for the bull first. If the chalker cannot determine which is closer, both players will shoot again with the shooting order reversed.
31. Only the chalker shall render a decision on which dart is closest. The closest dart is the dart closest to the bull where the point meets the board's surface.
32. Until the chalker renders a decision, **no dart may be touched or moved by anyone including the chalker.** If a player or the chalker touches or moves the darts, that team loses the Showing of a Bull.
33. A dart anywhere in the scoring section of the board will count as a throw for bull.
34. A dart which bounces out, misses the board or sticks into another dart without touching the board, does not count and another dart may be thrown for the bull. If all three darts miss the board, the other player wins the showing of the bull.
35. Centre Bulls: If the first player throws a centre bull, the second player may ask the chalker to remove it before going for the bull. If the second player throws a centre bull, the dart(s) is/are removed and both players throw again.
36. Outer Bulls: Both darts in the outer bull is considered a tie. Unlike centre bulls, the darts are left in the board, and both players throw again. If another outer bull tie occurs, the darts remain in the board and the players throw again. If a third outer-bull tie occurs, all 6 darts will be removed, and the process begins again.

## Scoresheets

37. On completion of a set, the scoresheets will be updated to show the winner and any all-star scores (see Appendix B).
38. Players must be present at the match to receive credit for wins, all-stars, and weeks played (other than in a match forfeit - see Forfeits: rules 3 and 4, below).
39. Each captain is required to keep their own scoresheet during the match. For each set the captains will record the results on their scoresheet. Each captain will sign both scoresheets at the end of the match.

40. All Home captains are required to enter scores into the database by Thursday 8PM, otherwise the Away captain may enter results any time after that. Both captains will retain their copy of the scoresheet in case of a disagreement with the entered results.

**RULES FOR A DIVISION ONLY**

**Start Time:**

7:30 with 15 minutes grace.

**Format:**

3 Doubles Cricket  
3 Doubles 501 SIDO  
6 Singles 501 SIDO  
6 Singles 501 SIDO  
Total Matches: 18

**All Stars:**

170+ score  
101 or higher finish  
Cricket - Any combo of Open Triples and counting Double Bulls  
Players not entitled to All Stars in recycled games

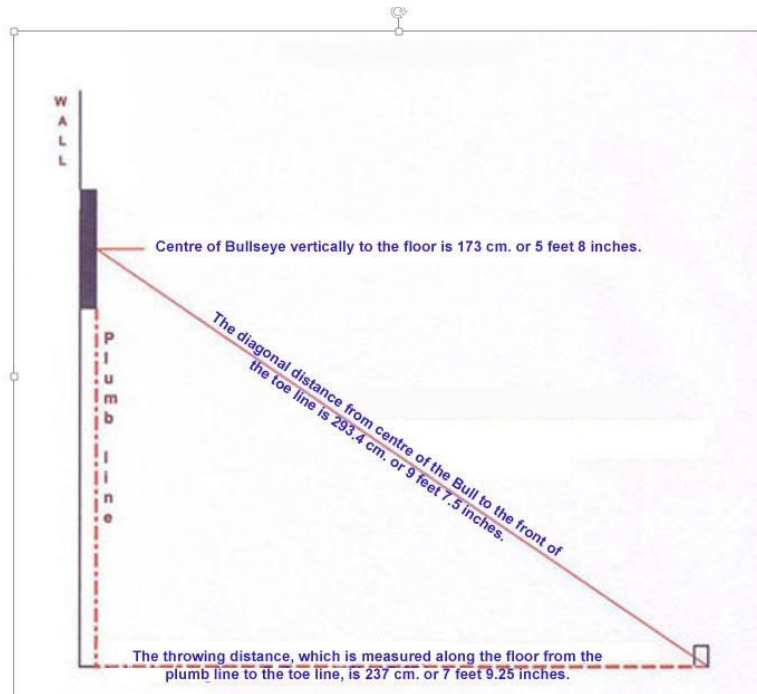
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**Bull Procedure**

Home team throws first leg each match, Visiting team throws first second leg. Showing of a Bull if 3rd leg required.

Home team shows a bull first. If tie, player at the oche throws again.

## Appendix A – Equipment



1. All venues must be approved by the Executive.
2. The centre of the bullseye will be 5 feet, 8 inches (173 cm) from the floor. The front of the oche will be 7 feet, 9 ¼ inches (237 cm) from the face of the board. The diagonal distance from the centre of the Bull to the front of the oche will be 9 feet, 7 ½ inches (293.4 cm).
3. Dartboards will be in good repair, with suitable lighting, chalkboards/whiteboards, and chalk/markers provided for scoring.
4. Where there is a dispute regarding any of the above, the match will be played using the existing lines and boards and the discrepancies will be reported to the Executive.

## Appendix B – Game Structure and Scoring

1. The Game formats are:

- Cricket
- 501 Straight-In/Double-Out
- Chicago (Cricket, 501, 301 Double-In/Double-Out)

2. Matches consist of:

### **For A division, 18 sets consisting of:**

- 3 sets of Doubles Cricket
- 3 sets of Doubles 501
- 2 x 6 sets of Singles 501
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### **For B West and East divisions, 15 sets consisting of:**

- 3 sets of Doubles Cricket
- 3 sets of Doubles 501
- 6 sets of Singles 501
- 3 sets of Singles Chicago

### **For C West Division, 12 sets consisting of:**

- 3 sets of Doubles 501
- 3 sets of Doubles Cricket
- 6 sets of Singles Chicago

3. Individual points for set wins and all-stars are as follows:

- a. 2 points for any Doubles set win.
- b. 4 points for Singles set win.

4. All-stars consist of:

- a. In Cricket: A turn consisting of a combination of 3 counting triples and/or 3 double bulls = **3 points**
- b. In any '01' leg: A score of 130 or more = **1 point (B West, East and C West Divisions only)**

- c. In any '01' leg: An out of 101 or more = **3 points**
- d. In 301 only: An in of 101 = **3 points**
- e. A score of 170+ = **3 points**

**Note:** All-stars which count as more than one type should score as both. For example, a 170 double out is worth **6** all-stars, whereas a plus 130 out is worth **4**.

**Note:** All stars for recycled games awarded to B West, East and C Divisions only.

**Appendix C – Shorthanded Procedures**

1. No player may play more than 5 sets in a division match in A, B West and East Divisions and 4 sets in C Division.
2. In a match, players may only play once in a game format (Doubles Cricket, Doubles 501, Singles 501, Doubles Chicago). However, a **recycled** player may play twice (but **only** in one game format). **The recycled player will always be played in the last set.**
3. If a team has fewer than 6 players available to play at the end of the first Doubles set, the following procedures apply. Where it refers to “random manner” it means picking names out of a hat:

**For A Division:**

5 Players	4 Players
4 players chosen in a random manner by opposing captain, supervised by shorthanded captain.	No recycling is allowed – 6 games are forfeit.
1 <sup>st</sup> player plays a second Cricket set	1 Doubles Cricket set will be forfeit.
2 <sup>nd</sup> player plays a second Doubles 501 set	1 Doubles 501 set will be forfeit.
3 <sup>rd</sup> player plays a second Singles 501 set.	2 Singles 501 sets will be forfeit.
4 <sup>th</sup> player plays a second Singles 501 set	2 Singles 501 sets will be forfeit

**For B West and East Divisions:**

5 Players	4 Players
3 players chosen in a random manner by opposing captain, supervised by shorthanded captain.	No recycling is allowed – 4 games are forfeit.
1 <sup>st</sup> player plays a second Doubles Cricket set	1 Doubles cricket set will be forfeit.
2 <sup>nd</sup> player plays a second Doubles 501 set	1 Doubles 501 set will be forfeit.



3 <sup>rd</sup> player plays a second Singles 501 set.	2 Singles sets will be forfeit.
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**For C West Division:**

5 Players	4 Players
3 players chosen in a random manner by opposing captain, supervised by shorthanded captain.	No recycling is allowed – 4 games are forfeit.
1 <sup>st</sup> player plays a second Doubles Cricket set	1 Doubles cricket set will be forfeit.
2 <sup>nd</sup> player plays a second Doubles 501 set	1 Doubles 501 set will be forfeit.
3 <sup>rd</sup> player plays a second Singles Chicago set	2 Singles set will be forfeit.

4. If additional players from the shorthanded team arrive after play begins, or if players must leave before the end of the match, the shorthanded procedure will be adjusted to reflect the number of players present at that point in the match. **Sets that have already been forfeited may not be replayed.**
5. If a player leaves the venue after having played all their sets, this will not cause their team to be short-handed.
6. If a team has less than 4 players present at 7:30 PM the match is forfeit.
7. In a match forfeit, the result shall be a 12-0 win for A Division, 10-0 for B West and East Divisions and 8-0 for C West Division to the winning team.
8. The Captain of the winning team may add names of all players on his roster in order to give them credit for a week played but no points will be awarded. The players who were present from the forfeiting team will also be added in the database. The winning captain will advise the league which players from the forfeiting team were added by emailing [info@gsdl.com](mailto:info@gsdl.com) and copying the forfeiting team captain.

### **Appendix D - Discipline**

1. The names of persons actually playing the games must be listed on the scoresheet.

The penalty for using false names on a scoresheet is:

- a. The team shall forfeit the match;
  - b. No individual game, all-star points, or match attendance will be recorded for any members of the team which made the false entry;
  - c. The captain or acting captain who falsified the scoresheet will be suspended for the next league match (playoffs included);
  - d. The non-offending team will have their individual statistics and match score recorded as played.
2. Fighting during a league event will not be tolerated. The Executive may discipline all persons involved in a fight.
  3. Throwing a dart in anger during a league event will not be tolerated. Upon review, the Executive may act, including but not limited to probation, suspension, and/or expulsion of the player.
  4. No player shall use offensive language or gestures towards another player. This includes, but is not limited to, derogatory comments pertaining to gender, race, religion, and sexual orientation. Should such incidents be reported to the league, appropriate disciplinary action may be taken against the player and/or team involved.
  5. Where a discipline problem exists with a specific player, the Executive may approach the captain to deal with it. If the captain cannot resolve the problem, the Executive may act, including but not limited to probation, suspension, and/or expulsion of the player.
  6. The Executive has the right to suspend or expel any player or team whose behaviour is destructive to the harmony of the league or that brings the Q.S.D.L. into disrepute.

## Appendix E - Playoffs

1. Playoffs will be held at the end of the regular season. The Executive will determine the playoff format each season.
2. Players must have played a minimum of **9 weeks** during the season to qualify for the playoffs unless authorized by the Executive.
3. Captains get credit for attendance even if they don't play - however must have been in attendance the required weeks to qualify. Captains must keep signed scoresheets as proof if needed. Any changes in captains after registration must be approved by the Executive.
4. **Absolutely no recycling in the playoffs, no even with mutual consent of both captains.**
5. **Unlike the regular season, playoff sets must be played in sequence as listed on the scoresheets.**
6. The first team to win a majority of sets wins the match. The remaining sets may be played at the discretion of the captains, but this will not affect the match outcome.
7. **If there is a tie, each team will choose 4 players and play one leg of 701 SIDO. The home team will provide the chalker.**

### Reporting Playoff Results

1. Within 24 hours all playoff results must be emailed by the winning captain to [info@qsdl.com](mailto:info@qsdl.com), or text to 416-993-3013.
2. For playoffs, both captains must retain their copy of the scoresheet.

## **Appendix F – General Information**

1. The Executive has the right to promote and realign, up to 2/3 of the way through the season, teams between divisions to ensure competitiveness within divisions. To minimize the impact of realignment, the Executive *may* weigh scores at the divisional level (e.g. wins in C division shall be worth 1 point, 1.5 in B, and 2 in A)
2. The captains are the final arbiters of what constitute legal play. Captains may agree to disregard or adjust any of these rules provided they both agree, with the following exceptions:
  - a. Captains may NOT override the rules pertaining to awarding of individual points and all-stars.
  - b. Captains may NOT make changes to Match Procedures or Scoring.
  - c. Captains may NOT make changes to Play and Chalking rules.
  - d. Captains may NOT override any rules in the Discipline section.
3. Captains must try to settle disputes during a match.
4. Protests will not be accepted unless:
  - a. they regard a violation of the rules as stated on these pages or a violation of league policy; and
  - b. they must be submitted in writing and within 5 days of the incident to the Executive using either the “Contact: General Inquiries” link on the Q.S.D.L Home Page or must be emailed to the Executive at “info@qsdl.com”.
5. Venues have the right to refuse entry to individual players, the Executive may act to minimize the effect of this on league operations, especially for playoffs.
6. To honour the Q.S.D.L. commitment to venues and maintain fairness in scheduling, if a team forfeits more than once against a particular venue, the Executive may adjust future home matches of the forfeiting team back to the original venue.

**Appendix G – Etiquette**

1. No cell phone use while chalking.
2. No screaming outs, what score is left, etc. no loud yelling while a player is on the oche.
3. No unnecessary movement while chalking.
4. If drinking while chalking, no sipping while player on the oche.
5. No correction of scores while a player is on the oche.
6. Personal space – be aware of how close you are standing next to a player while they are on the oche.
7. No throwing of darts in anger at the board or wall.