

Pocono Tavern Pool League

2017-2018

By Laws

As voted on by captains attending the pre-season meeting on 9/11/17

Board

*The Board will consist of the following positions; President, Vice President, Treasurer and Statistician (last two positions may be combined for league efficiency.)

*All officers will be elected by vote. Each team will get one vote per board position.

*President will appoint all committees. To serve on any committee you must be an active player, in good standing. To serve on the grievance committee, you must also have at least 5 years of league membership.

*The statistician will receive a fee of \$250.00 per year. All officers will have their dues awarded for their service.

Meetings

*All league members and sponsors are welcome to all meetings. Each team will have ONLY ONE vote on any issue.

*All captains will be notified by phone or email of meetings.

It will be the responsibility of the captain or representative of the team to get meeting information back to team members.

*It will be up to any team not represented at a meeting to contact the board to find out what happened.

*The President is in charge of all meetings. He/she must recognize anyone wishing to speak. Anyone becoming unruly at a meeting will be warned once. Should the behavior continue, and member need to be spoken to a second time, it may result in disciplinary action or possible ejection from the league.

Fees and Dues

*Sponsor fees-\$75.00 per team, to be paid prior to start of season by sponsoring bar.

*Player fees-\$50.00 per person, payable NO LATER than week 4. Discounted to \$45 if paid within the first 2 weeks.

*A banquet reservation of \$20.00 per person may be collected (collection time to be announced). Fee will be refunded if you attend. This fee may be waived.

*All festivities are free to league members, guest will be charged (charge to be announced) guest fees are non-refundable.

*All fees are to be paid by check or money order, made out to the Pocono Tavern Pool League (PTPL). The league WILL NOT be responsible for lost cash.

*Any sponsor also shooting in league will have their dues reemitted to them (1 per bar).

Cancellations

*Either team captain has the option of canceling due to snow, ice, or any unforeseen emergency.

*All cancellations must be completed by 6pm the night of the match.

*If the match is canceled, both captains are responsible for notifying the President or Vice President that the cancellation has occurred.

*If one captain cannot be reached, the Board will try to contact another team member.

*All matches must be made up prior to the final 2 weeks of regular session play.

*Any team can do a makeup earlier if they wish, but must make sure the President or Vice President is notified.

*Any matches not made up will result in a split of 7 ½ points to each team.

*Home captain must notify place of play match has been canceled and when they wish to make up match.

Forfeits

*In the event of a full team forfeit, the team that shows up will receive 15 points.

*The first time a team forfeits, they will receive 0 points, and any subsequent forfeitures may result in an ejection from the league.

*If a team misses two (2) weeks, and they are ejected from league during the first half of play, all points will be null and void.

*If a team drops on their own accord, all points earned/lost by their opponents will remain. This included team and individual points.

*All forfeit points will apply to team average, ONLY!

Grievances

*All grievances must be handed to a board member with score sheet by 9pm, the Wednesday evening following the match in which the grievance occurred.

*A \$20.00 filing fee must be submitted along with the grievance and will be returned to the team that filed, should they win.

- * The committee will act on the grievance and set a meeting time at a neutral bar to hear it.
- *If only one team shows up to the meeting, that team will win the grievance.
- *The committee will now consist of the board and 5 members in good standing, randomly chosen from teams (note: only players with 5yrs or more in the league are eligible).
- *Anyone ejected from a bar at a league match will be held accountable to the grievance committee which will impose a fitting penalty. This penalty may include forfeiture of any other games he/she played that night, suspension from or ejection from league, or any other punishment the committee feels is fitting.
- *In addition, the team captain is responsible for any actions of un-sportsman like conduct such as foul language, sign language, heckling, ball or stick throwing, etc... The captain and the un-sportsman like teammate may be brought before the Grievance Committee for reprimand or other fitting penalty(ies).
- *Anything not covered in by-laws will be handled by board and grievance committee

Rosters and Hardships

- *There will be no unauthorized changes to any roster after the 45th day of the season, unless approved by the Executive Committee which is comprised of the Board and the Grievance Committee.
- *Any player eliminated from roster forfeits his/her fees and is not entitled to participate in any league functions
- *Any roster changes due to hardship throughout the year must be approved by the Executive Committee.
- *Any new players must pay their dues the first night they shoot or games will not count.
- *Any shooter on a roster in the beginning of the season may not join another team throughout season, unless a hardship is determined.
- *The roster will consist of a minimum of 5 shooters and a maximum of 10.
- *Paid dues CAN NOT be transferred to another player.
- *A hardship case will consist of 5 or fewer players.
- *To add a new player under the hardship rules you must notify board of hardship. They will then review your situation and determine whether you can add a player or players.
- *No new players will be added 7 weeks prior to playoffs, though special situations may be presented to the board for consideration.
- *A player may shoot no more than one (1) game per set and no more than three (3) games per night.

Score Sheets

- *Both home and away teams are responsible for turning in their score sheets no later than 9pm the Wednesday night following the match.
- *There will be a drop off point at DOCS LOUNGE.
- *You may also email the score sheet to Michael Schatz @ mschatz@icloud.com or text a picture to 570-350-0101 or Faxed to 570-851-3184
- *Teams will receive one (1) bonus point if paperwork is turned in on time, which will go towards the team average. Remember: Your team average determines your playoff position.

Playoffs

In the event of a tie for the Division title, it will be decided by the following

- (a) Best combined record when teams played each other during the regular season
- (b) A 15 game playoff

- * Each player must have played at least 1/3 (to be determined by schedule) of the total regular season games to be eligible for playoffs, though special situations may be presented to the board for consideration.

Prizes and Awards

- *To qualify for individual awards, a shooter must have shot at least 1/2 (to be determined by schedule) of the regular season games.
- *Individual awards will consist of the following:
 - League High Average (M/F)
 - Most Break and Runs (M/F)
 - Most Runs (M/F)
 - Most 8s on the Break (M/F)-must have at least 2
- *Additional awards/recognition may also be considered.

Rules

- *Any rule changes after the start of the season will be discussed and voted on by the Board and league captains.