



Darts



COMPETITION MANUAL

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GUIDING BODIES

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International rules will be followed unless specified in WPFG Darts Guidelines

EVENTS:

501:

Men's Open: - "A" Division - Singles and Doubles

"B" Division - Singles and Doubles

Women's Open: - Singles and Doubles

For women's only there is no "A" and "B" Division

Cricket:

Men's Open: - "A" Division - Singles and Doubles

"B" Division - Singles and Doubles

Women's Open: - Singles and Doubles

For women's only there is no "A" and "B" Division

Active-duty competitors from police and fire agencies may combine to form a team regardless of agency size **WITHIN THEIR COUNTRY OF EMPLOYMENT**. Retired competitors may combine to form a team in any manner they wish including across country lines with other eligible competitors regardless of police or fire agency.

Entry Deadline: 2/28/2027



EQUIPMENT

Darts used in the tournament shall comply with WDF requirements. **Darts will be provided by participants.** Organizer should have some available for purchase in case of damage or other emergency.

The dart boards (one board for each station) shall be of a type approved by the Host country's Darts governing body and shall be of the standard 1-20 clock pattern.

Tournament dart boards will not be used for practice.

BRACKETING

MEN'S "A" AND "B" DIVISION:

1. Round Robin Play: All competitors enter (use seeding from past years). Players will be assigned to groups. Each player in a group will compete against every other player in his group. The size of the groups is determined by the number of teams in the tournament.

2. Round Robin Single Elimination: Use results of group play to rank each player/team from first to last. If the group has an even number of competitors, divide the ranking in half. If the group has an odd number of players/team, divide the ranking so the top half has one less player/team than the bottom half. The top half of each group will be Division "A", and the bottom half will be Division "B". "A" and "B" Division teams will then be placed into groups (group size will be determined by the number of plays/teams).

The "A" and "B" Divisions each play a separate Single Elimination tournament, with each Match best three out of five legs.

WOMEN'S OPEN DIVISION:

Women's Individual and Doubles will start with a preliminary Round Robin (Group Play), followed by a Single Elimination tournament, with each Match best 2-out-of-3 legs. There will not be an "A" or "B" Division for the women events.

SCORING:

"501": Each Leg shall be played under "501" scoring rules.

Cricket: Shall be played using the numbers 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, and both the inner and outer bull counts as 25.

WDF scoring rules apply. Only the score keeper shall record the scores on the scoreboard during a match.



GENERALS SPORT RULES for Darts

All matches will begin by "Throwing the Cork". The player throwing the Cork first will be decided by a coin flip, with the winner having the option of throwing first or second. The player throwing closest to the Cork shall throw first in the first Leg. The loser of the first Leg shall have the option of throwing the Cork first in the second Leg. If a third Leg is necessary, the loser of the original coin flip shall have the option of throwing the Cork first.

In all "**501**" matches, each Leg shall be played with a straight start (no double required) and a double will be required to finish.

In all **Cricket** matches, winning the game: a) the player/team that closes all innings first and has the most points, shall be declared the winner; b) if both sides are tied on points or have no points, the first player/team to close all innings shall be the winners; c) if a player/team closes all innings first, and is behind on points, they must continue to score on any innings not closed until either the point deficit is made up, or the opponent has closed all innings.

It is the responsibility of the player to verify his/her score before removing his/her darts from the board. Score shall remain as written if one or more darts has been removed.

AWARDING OF MEDALS TO ATHLETES

During the medal presentation, only athletes are allowed to participate in this ceremony. Each athlete and **SHALL** present their Athlete's Credential. If the athlete does not present their Athlete's Credential, they **SHALL NOT** receive a medal. This is a mandatory requirement to receive a medal.

Technical Support Personnel and children are not allowed on the podium with the teams during the medal presentation.

The sport coordinator **SHALL** have in their possession a copy of the CSE Report for verification of participation. This will determine and verify which event the athlete was entered into.