

Sanctioned Bar Tournaments (SBTs)

Rules and scheduling process

PPD sanctioned locations may host Sanctioned Bar Tournaments (SBTs). See qualifications in # 1 below.

SBTs are an added feature of the All Star Series of Darts where All-Star and Rising-Star players earn five (5) bonus points for attending, and two (2) additional bonus points for winning an SBT. See further details about points in # 4 below.

1. **Qualifications.** Each bar with at least two (2) PPD member dart machines and where the bar has four (4) teams or more currently participating in a sanctioned PPD league; may host one (1) SBT dart tournament per:

- A. Each league the bar participates in where the league runs at least twenty (20) weeks.

Note: For leagues in a bar or area, where local league coordinators have determined it is necessary to separate teams into multiple “league divisions”, where these multiple divisions play matches on the same day each week, at the same time, and in the same location(s), the team counts from these multiple divisions who play in the same bar may be combined for determining SBT eligibility. The local league coordinator shall notify the All Star Series of Darts officials of this scenario before attempting to post an SBT to ensure eligibility.

EXAMPLE 1: Joe’s Bar has teams in a split division league, which is scheduled for 21 weeks. There are 2 teams in division A and 2 teams in division B for a total of 4 teams. Joe’s Bar is eligible for 1 SBT.

EXAMPLE 2: Bob’s Bar has teams in a split division league, which is scheduled for 20 weeks. There are 4 teams in division A and 4 teams in division B. Bob’s Bar is entitled to 2 SBT’s.

EXAMPLE 3: Mike’s Bar has teams in a split division league, which is scheduled for 24 weeks. There are 4 teams in division A, 4 teams in division B and 2 teams in division C for a total of 10 teams. Mike’s Bar is eligible for 2 SBT’s.

- B. For leagues lasting longer than twenty weeks where the bar is qualified to host an SBT as explained above, the bar may schedule an additional SBT for each additional ten (10) weeks of scheduled league play.

2. **Requirements** for SBT sanctioning of the host bar are as follows:

- a. All SBTs are open to all players from any PPD sanctioned league as well as all other players from the public.
 - b. All SBTs are coordinated with the All Star Series of Darts office at least 6 weeks prior to the SBT and posted on the www.allstarseriesofdarts.com web site - to ensure good and fair exposure to all players who may wish to attend.
 - c. All SBTs are held on weekends. Friday, Saturday or Sunday.
 - d. All SBTs must have at least five current All-Star qualified players in attendance to ensure adequate competition.
 - e. All SBTs must utilize and return the official registration documents and bracket sheets to the All Star Series of Darts office within 10 days of an event; as provided in the SBT packet.
 - f. All Star Series of Darts personnel may attend and provide information about local PPD leagues and the All-Star Series of Darts to potential new league players during the SBT.
3. **Format.** All SBT game format, added money or not, rate of entry fee and all features not specifically mentioned herein are subject to the hosting bar's discretion.
4. **Points.** All Star Series of Darts All-Stars and Rising-Stars may earn a total of 50 points for participating in SBTs, and up to 60 points when combined with bonus points for "wins" and **Female All Stars** and Rising-Stars who are the highest in the finishing order as follows:
- Five (5) points are available to every All-Star for merely participating in a sanctioned bar tournament. 50 points maximum - for attending 10 or more sanctioned bar tournaments.
 - Two (2) additional points are available for winning an SBT and/or for the highest finishing female All-Star and Rising-Star player at an SBT*. The additional two (2) points for a "win" or highest finishing female All Star* and Rising-Star is limited to just five times per player per year (All Star Series of Darts - Series).
 - This combination of available points, equates to 60 points maximum for attending 10 or more sanctioned bar tournaments and earning the two (2) bonus points for "wins" or being the highest finishing female* and Rising-Star* at least 5 times.
- *Note: Should two or more female All-Star players or two or more Rising-Star players tie for the highest finishing position at a Sanctioned Bar Tournament, they must immediately break the tie by playing separate games of Count-Up and note the outcome on the bracket sheet which must be returned to the league office.
5. **Tournament Documentation.** After the All Star Series of Darts officials receive SBT documents back from a host bar, All Star player points are posted on the All Star Series of Darts web site and added to the tally for each All Star player. Note: All Star point tallies are frozen four (4) weeks prior to the final All Star Series of Darts weekend. Thus, all SBTs for that year must be scheduled prior to that date to ensure all documents are returned to officials prior to the deadline associated with the final series event. In most cases this means the final SBT for the year will have to be scheduled and completed six (6) weeks prior to the fifth All-Star weekend or more to allow time for the documents to be returned to officials through possible required extra effort/postage etc. Direct communication with officials is recommended if or when an SBT is scheduled near the deadline - to ensure the points will be counted.

6. Process for scheduling Sanctioned Bar Tournaments.

Terms:

SBT, = a Sanctioned Bar Tournament.

Participants, = the person making the SBT selection for a Bar.

Conductor, = the person running the draft-day and whom will be posting the participants date selections on the web/calendar.

Draft, = the selection of a date for a SBT.

Draft-day, = the day selections will be chosen by participants from certain qualifying locations and when those dates are recorded on the official calendar by the conductor.

- A. Annually there shall be four (4) "SBT - draft days". All draft-days are posted on the tournament schedule/calendar on website at least one year in advance.
- B. The first SBT draft-day is - August 31, 2009. At inception, any location served by a PPD member as of August 1, 2009, which PPD member notifies conductor of adequate dart league history may participate in the first draft day and from then on, any PPD sanctioned location who meets all the requirements as found in the following details may participate in a draft day.
- C. Each draft day will cover a three-month period starting approx. 3 months from the draft date. In other words, participants will be selecting SBT dates three (3) to six (6) months out.
- D. All Bars with a track-record of having at least two nights of league-play during the draft period (from previous time-period one year prior), may participate in a draft-day through an appointed participant. Bar owners must notify conductor of a participant change prior to draft day, if different from previous participant.
- E. Participants must request inclusion to the draft-day process via email, phone, or personal contact at least 14 days prior to a posted draft-day. You may request inclusion by contacting:
 - Beth Fox – 573-468-5347 x400 or braines@playmor.com
 - Terry Fox – 573-468-5347 x230 or tfox@playmor.com
- F. Upcoming draft-day reminders are sent to all pre-registered participants - via email 7 days prior to draft day and the day before draft day.
- G. Draft will be conducted by group-email and/or chat room scenario such that participants are simultaneously interacting via the web and where a calendar is made available for viewing as SBT date selections are made then posted on the calendar by the conductor. Starting at 1pm on the draft-day and lasting until done. (2 hours maximum intended)
- H. A conference call service is also available during each draft-day. All participants are given a conference number to call and an access code to attend the call, whereby they may speak directly with the conductor during the selection process.
- I. Participants must submit their date selections within 5 minutes of being invited via email, or verbally on conference call - from the conductor to make their SBT selection.....from the time the email is sent by the conductor and as their turn comes up. Note: Participants are expected to have their SBT selections ready to submit when it is their turn with contingencies in case someone else picked one of their first-choice dates before their turn came up.

J. All participants will submit their SBT date selection for each SBT date via email (reply to all) or verbally to the group. Their SBT date selection will immediately become posted on the calendar and the next participant will be invited to make their SBT date selection via email and verbally or,

K. Participants may pre-submit their SBT date selections to the conductor. Participants are not required to be online during the draft process. If they wish, they may provide a pre-draft-day list – prioritized in order of their most desired SBT date selection first - to the conductor. When a participant's turn comes up, their pre-draft-day SBT date selection will be assigned in order of the priority they pre-assigned to it, then in order of availability of that date – or conductor will go on to their next pre-draft-day SBT date selection during their turn until an open date from their list is found, or until all dates were attempted, at which time their turn will be passed. They may later select any open dates not used by the rest of the participants.

L. All emails, including the 7-day notice email reminder; will contain a complete list of all the participants, the phone number and an access number for the conference group call. Along with the number of drafts each participant is eligible to make, all participants are listed in the order (turn) they will be making their drafts. All will know what order their turns will come up and how many drafts they need to plan contingency draft dates for.

M. Participants select their SBT dates one (1) at a time and are placed in an order by most current players in league* (at the time of the draft-day). The participant with the most players running in active leagues - goes first, then rotating through all participants making selections until all participants have made their first SBT date selection. Then repeating the process until all participants have made their total number of SBT date selections.

*Current players in league will be determined by actual number of players per team...Doubles league is two players, Triples league is 3 players and Team league is 4 players.

EXAMPLE: Bar Z has three nights of league...night one has 9 Triples (27 players) night two has 12 Doubles (24 players) and night three has 10 Teams (40 players)...
Bar Z has a total of 91 players.

N. A participant may elect to pass when it is their turn, with the very next selection being their turn again. If they decline a second time, they lose their turn in that round of selections.

O. All available Saturday dates, except traditional and bar celebrated holidays, the annual NDA tournament in Las Vegas, All Star Series events, and any State Association Tournament within the home state of the bar the participant is selecting an SBT for, is considered open and must contain a scheduled SBT before a second SBT may be posted on the same day; unless the participant is making a selection for a SBT that is more than 150 highway miles away from the SBT already posted on the schedule. Likewise for third and fourth etc. SBTs where the rest of the dates all contain an even number of SBTs scheduled.

P. After the draft process, all open dates are then available to whoever else wants them from the remaining sanctioned PPD bars, and or for any of the participants who may become eligible for additional SBT during the interim of draft day and six (6) weeks prior to the remaining open date.

Note: PPD members shall not move additional dartboards into locations for the purpose of hosting an SBT. SBTs shall be hosted on the number of dartboards typically used for the league activities at a location.