

The Rules and Code of Conduct

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

Rules:

- The tournament is by invitation only. Any entry as a player or observer, may be refused with no reason given
- 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 ruling advisor
- Dice that rest unbalanced must be re-rolled
- Sharing one pair of dice is preferred
- Byes and initial pairings are randomly assigned
- 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-minutes of the end of the break, 1 penalty point may be enforced and 1 penalty point for every additional 5-minutes
- Players must sign-out when leaving the tournament room
- Only cash will be accepted at the tournament site including final registration
- Cell phones must 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

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 event organizer. Berating or harassment of tournament organizers, directors, 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

~~ Tournament Organizers Reserve the Right to dismiss any Player from the tournament if these Rules and Code of Conduct is violated ~~