DISTRICT IV LEAGUE TEAM PLAY-OFF RULES

Revised: February 2011: February 2020: November 18, 2023

<u>PARK</u>: The District IV President will choose the park where the District League Play-off will be played.

SPONSOR: The play-off may have a sponsor. Otherwise, the District will pay all expenses which may include a maximum payment of \$100.00 to the host park.

<u>GAME</u>: The format will be a Round Robin. Play will be **DOUBLES**, with each team playing on three boards each session. Games will be 16 frames. Winners will get two points. If a tie exists after 16 frames, each team gets one point.

SCHEDULING: The District President will present a rule sheet, roster/rotation sheet and first session player sheet to Captains before the play-off begins. At a pre play-off meeting, the team Captains will random draw for their team number and will receive a play-off schedule and player session/game blanks.

ELIGIBILITY: Each team must play all players on their roster. All players must have played <u>at least</u> <u>three league games</u> during the regular season. Using an ineligible player will result in forfeiture of all games the ineligible player plays.

LINE-UPS: Each Captain must turn in a team roster before the play-offs begin. All players must play in proper rotation. Any player playing out of rotation will forfeit that game. Captains will turn in team line-ups for each session at least fifteen (15) minutes before game time.

<u>ROTATION IN CASE OF UNAVAILABILITY</u>: The next player in the established rotation for the team may replace a player no longer able to continue at any point prior to or during a match. The unavailable player may return for a later match, but the team must follow at that point the pre-tournament established rotation as if the player had been available throughout.

<u>COLOR CHOICE</u>: Color choice for lagging will be determined by a coin toss. Each Captain will select a player from his/her team to lag. Lagging will be from the head of a neutral board.

ASSIGNMENT OF BOARDS: Chart persons will assign boards. Each Captain must ascertain that no player plays on a board for a second time. Penalty is loss of one point. Every effort will be made, not to play league boards of a host park.

<u>TIES</u>: A tie in standing at the end of the play-off shall be broken by a head-to-head comparison. The team having the most overall wins will be the winner.

TROPHIES: The team winning first place will be awarded up to ten (10) trophies. The winning team will represent District IV in the Annual State Team Play-offs.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCE: The District will provide a travel subsidy, effective for the 2020-2021 season of \$75.00 per player to a maximum of \$750.00 per team, when the State Championship is held in District II, III or V. (February 2020)

Dated: December 28, 2020