

SCOTTISH DARTS ASSOCIATION BYE LAWS

- 1.(a) Membership of the Association may be applied for by any League, Club or Association playing darts within Scotland.
- (b) Any League seeking, or wishing to retain, membership to the Scottish Darts Association must affiliate to the Area Association (in which boundaries they reside) through which its membership will be accepted.
- (c) To affiliate as a League to the Scottish Darts Association (or Area Association) the minimum number of teams acceptable for league status is four .
- (d) League Representation must include all teams/ clubs within and administered by the League Committee.
2. The Association shall be divided into Area Associations, each Area Association shall be responsible to the Scottish Darts Association for the control of darts within its Area. Any Area Association, its boundaries, and members under its control to be decided at the AGM should it be in addition to the Areas as previously originated.
- 3 (a) To be eligible for nomination to the Board of Directors, a person must have been a member of the Association Committee for two (2) consecutive years, or have been a Scottish Official (as defined by the Board of Directors) for the previous two (2) years.
- (b) Any person under consideration for election to the Board of Directors at an AGM, must record more than fifty percent of the voting strength at the AGM before they can be accepted as a Director.
- (c) At every Annual General Meeting ,in even years 4 Directors and odd years 4 Directors shall retire from office, the rotation shall be as follows:-

Even Years	Odd Years
Chairperson	Vice Chairperson
General Secretary	Financial Director
Director	Youth Director
Director	Director

4. (a) The Association Committee will consist of two delegates from each Area Association, elected by their Area Association. One of the two persons from each Area Association will be designated Area Organiser.
- (b) The Association Committee will meet once every two months, where possible, as will Area Association Committees, for the purpose of promoting darts in Scotland.
- 5 Each member association shall be entitled to one vote per team for which an annual fee has been paid. Member associations shall send up to two delegates to the AGM. The number of votes allocated to each individual association will be divided equal as far as possible to each delegate..Association having only one delegate present shall be allowed to cast their part of the vote only.
6. All Committee Meetings and Annual General Meetings shall be at a venue which is at a convenient traveling time for all Member Areas.
7. Each Area Association will pay an annual fee, from which traveling expenses incurred by the Area Association Representatives attending Committee Meetings shall be reimbursed. This fee must be forwarded by each Area Association prior to 31st December each year.
8. The participation of playing darts in the Association Tournaments and Competitions shall be open to players playing darts in a Member League/Club/Association of the Scottish Darts Association, and players of recognised full Scottish International status, this applies to SDA tournaments only, and is not included when 'Open' tournaments are organised by the SDA, either for the SDA or on behalf of any body to which the SDA has been contracted to organise any 'Open' tournament.
9. No player may play for more than one Member League, in any one Playing Season, whose normal playing night is the same, unless a letter of release is given by the League Committee the player is leaving.. No player may play for more than one Super League in any one Season, a County Player can only play Super League for that County. In Scotland the Super League season will start on 1st August (or date of SDA AGM) whichever is earliest and finish on 31st July the following year.
10. No player may change from one Member Association/League/Club to another Member Association/League/Club whilst he/she is in debt to the Member Association/League/Club which he/she is leaving.

11. Any Player/Association/League/Club found guilty of financial inducement will be expelled from the Association.
12. All Disciplinary matters will be dealt with as per the Scottish Darts Association's Disciplinary Code of Practice.
13. Tournaments and competitions organised or supervised by the Association shall be any tournament or competition the Association decide is in the interests of the Association and darts players in Scotland.
14. All tournaments and competitions shall be governed by the playing rules of each particular tournament or competition.
15. (a) Registration fees are not refundable.
(b) Entry fees into tournaments are not refundable, except on those occasions deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.
16. Selection of International teams shall be by a selection committee of six elected members and the team manager.

Nominations for Team Manager/Selection Committee to be submitted at least one month prior to election of Team Manager/Selection Committee.

All Posts to be advertised with a clear closing date for nominations on the Scottish darts Website and announced at the last Area meeting before the Team Manager/Selection Committee Meeting.

The Board of Directors will issue a job description for Team Manager/Selection Committee at least one month before the nomination process begins

Selection Committee

To be eligible for nomination to the International Team's Selection Committee, a person must have been a member of the Association Committee for two (2) consecutive years, or have been a Scottish Official (as defined by the Board of Directors) for the previous two (2) years. A nominee must be proposed and seconded by two separate Area associations.

Any person under consideration for election to the International Teams Selection Committee at an AGM, must record more than fifty percent of the voting strength at the AGM before they can be accepted as a Selector, when more than 6 candidates stand the Candidate with the lowest votes will be eliminated from the voting process and a new vote will take place until 6 candidates are voted onto the selection committee.

If a candidate receives more than 50% of the vote and his/her votes are higher than the combined total of the rest of the candidates he/she would be elected into the position on the first vote.

Successful applicants will hold the post for two (2) years.

If for any reason during the elected two (2) year period the selection committee falls below 5 members, nominations will be accepted to bring the selection committee back to full strength, with elections taking place at the first area meeting after the nominations criteria has been met.

Team Manager

To be eligible for nomination to the International team's Manager position, a person must be a member of the selection committee for two (2) consecutive years, OR have been a member of the selection committee for a period of two (2) years, OR have been a full International Player for a period of two (2) years.

A nominee must be proposed and seconded by two separate Area associations.

Any person under consideration for election to the International Team's Manager at an AGM, must record more than fifty percent of the voting strength at the AGM before they can be accepted as a Team Manger when more than 1 candidate stands the candidate with the lowest votes will be eliminated from the voting process and a new vote will take place until 1 candidate achieves the required votes.

If a candidate receives more than 50% of the vote and his/her votes are higher than the combined total of the rest of the candidates he/she would be elected into the position on the first vote. Successful applicant will hold the post for two (2) years.

If for any reason during the elected two (2) year period the Team Manger can no longer fulfil his duty The Board of Directors will select an interim Team Manager until the next AGM where a new Manager will be elected following the laid down process.

To achieve the above , for the first year only, the voting for the International team's Manager/Selectors would take place as normal at the January/February area meeting using the same voting progress as per AGM, the successful candidates would serve until the Scottish Darts Association AGM in 2016.

17. All matters concerning the eligibility of players and the interpretation of Bye Laws, playing rules or other disputes shall be referred to the Board of Directors whose decision shall be final.

18. All meetings of the Association shall be conducted in accordance with the Standing Orders then in force.

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