

STRIKE FORCE DARTS

VEGAS CHALLENGE

OFFICIAL LEAGUE RULES AND GOVERNANCE

18 REGULAR WEEKS	$1,500 SINGLES	$3,000 DOUBLES TEAM
WEEK 19 SEMIFINALS	WEEK 20 FINAL	WEEK 21 BLIND DRAW

FINAL REVIEW DRAFT - REGISTRATION CLOSES APRIL 11, 2027

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A. Player summary

Vegas weekly dues	$25 per player per regular-season week
Regular season	18 weeks, followed by one semifinal week, one final week and one Week 21 Second Chance blind draw
Starting flight size	10 Singles players or 10 complete Doubles teams
Championship prizes	$1,500 Singles champion; $3,000 Doubles champion team ($1,500 per player)
Second Chance prizes	$750 Singles; $1,500 Doubles team ($750 per player), subject to final funding and eligibility
Weekly deadline	Sunday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Important

The advertised prizes are starting amounts for a fully funded flight. Vacancies and unpaid positions may reduce final payouts at SFD's discretion. SFD does not publish a fixed payout-reduction formula.

1. Purpose, scope and acceptance

These Official Rules govern eligibility, registration, scheduling, payments, competition, standings, postseason play, prizes, integrity, discipline and administration for the Strike Force Darts Vegas Challenge.

Registration, payment or participation constitutes acceptance of these Rules, the applicable ADA gameplay and scoring rules, and the published calendar for the participant's flight.

The Vegas Challenge is independently administered by Strike Force Darts. References to the American Darters Association identify applicable membership, gameplay, scoring, classification or event requirements and do not create an additional sponsorship or guarantee unless expressly stated.

2. Rule authority

The applicable ADA rules control gameplay, official scoring, match recording and the score or standings credit awarded for a forfeit.

SFD rules control scheduling, registration, payments, prize funding and distribution, replacements, invitations, discipline and league administration. Hope Masterson and Jerry Joseph interpret and administer SFD rules, subject to controlling ADA requirements and the conflict-of-interest provisions below.

3. Eligibility and registration

- Maintain any ADA membership required for the selected format and season.
- Complete registration through an approved SFD method and provide accurate legal name, address, telephone number, email address, ADA information and competitive history.
- Meet the equipment, platform, camera, internet and technology requirements for the selected division.
- Pay all required dues before playing the applicable match.
- Remain in good standing and comply with SFD and applicable ADA rules.
- Maintain a Discord account when Discord is required for official league access and flight communications.

A player may enter multiple SFD leagues and may earn prizes in each league entered when all eligibility, payment and completion requirements are satisfied.

4. League structure and published calendar

A Vegas Challenge flight begins with 10 Singles players or 10 complete Doubles teams. Separate competition may be offered by platform, format and flight.

Weeks	Scheduled activity
1-18	Regular-season matches
19	Championship semifinals: No. 1 vs. No. 4 and No. 2 vs. No. 3
20	Championship final
21	Per-flight Second Chance blind draw on Sunday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time

The final registration day for the 2027 Vegas Challenge is Sunday, April 11, 2027. April 11 is a registration deadline, not a universal league start date.

Each flight receives its own dated 21-week calendar after its roster is approved, every required position is paid and SFD establishes that flight's start date. Weeks are counted from the actual start of that individual flight.

The flight calendar must show Weeks 1-18 for the regular season, Week 19 for semifinals, Week 20 for the Championship final and Week 21 for that flight's Second Chance blind draw. The Week 21 event is held on Sunday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the date shown in that flight's calendar.

5. Flights, ratings and classification

SFD assigns players and teams using current ADA information, approved league averages, platform records, recent verified performance and the placement charts in effect when registration is reviewed.

A player may be reviewed for classification when credible evidence shows an inaccurate rating, intentional sandbagging, manipulation, false information, fraud or material misrepresentation. Legitimate improvement by itself is not misconduct.

Before a non-emergency reclassification, SFD will normally notify the player, explain the basis for review and allow the player to provide relevant information. Completed results remain official unless a correction is required because of cheating, fraud, falsification, material error or another authorized ruling.

Confirmed 501 settings

- Gold, Silver and Bronze: open in, double out, split bull.
- Tungsten and Brass: open in, open out, full bull.

6. Integrity, anti-cheating and fair play

SFD prohibits cheating, sandbagging, score manipulation, match fixing, hardware manipulation, rating manipulation, false reporting, fraud, harassment intended to interfere with competition and any conduct designed to create an unfair competitive advantage.

A cheating allegation must be submitted in writing to strikeforcedarts@gmail.com and supported by original video evidence or a private link to that evidence. The submission must identify the league, participants, match date and relevant timestamps. A score sheet, screenshot, unusual statistic or suspicion alone does not establish cheating.

Participants must report concerns privately and must not publicly accuse another participant while the matter is being reviewed.

7. Equipment, platforms and camera requirements

Soft-tip

Soft-tip divisions use the approved GranBoard configuration and SFD-designated application and statistics settings. Players are responsible for compatible equipment, reliable internet and accurate platform configuration.

Steel-tip

Steel-tip divisions use traditional bristle dartboards and DartConnect as designated by SFD. Every steel-tip player, including both Doubles partners, must maintain their own active paid DartConnect Premium membership separately from SFD league dues.

Camera and visibility

Adequate lighting is required. The dartboard must be visible, and the throwing participant must remain sufficiently visible during remote play. Players are responsible for maintaining required cameras, software, hardware and connectivity.

8. Match play and technical failures

- Participants cork or diddle to determine who begins each game when required by the applicable format.
- Darts may not be manually pushed into a scoring segment.
- For soft-tip play, a dart electronically registered by the approved board and platform counts under the applicable platform rules.
- For steel-tip play, a dart must remain in the dartboard to score unless the controlling rule provides otherwise.
- Players must use the approved SFD score sheet and match format.

Games completed before a technical interruption remain official. The game in progress will normally restart from the beginning unless the applicable platform or ADA rule requires another result. Persistent technical problems must be reported promptly, and SFD may review platform records, video, screenshots, scores and communications.

9. Match format, scheduling and advance play

Regular-season Singles and Doubles matches consist of 11 games unless SFD officially publishes another approved format for the flight. Each game won earns one standings point.

SFD leagues use flexible scheduling. Opponents arrange each match at a mutually acceptable time and complete it by the published weekly deadline. Doubles teams coordinate all four players.

The weekly match period ends Sunday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Players and teams may play as far ahead in the season as they wish, provided every match being played has been paid for before play begins. Playing ahead does not excuse an overdue match or extend another deadline.

10. Makeups, extensions and absolute deadlines

If a match is not completed by its scheduled Sunday deadline, the participants have up to seven additional calendar days to complete it. The makeup period exists only when it fits before the published season-end deadline and is shortened or unavailable when that deadline arrives first.

If the match remains incomplete after the available makeup period, the responsible Singles player or Doubles team loses two standings points. If both sides caused the delay, or neither side can show a timely effort to schedule and complete the match, both sides receive the two-point penalty.

A request for additional time must be emailed to strikeforcedarts@gmail.com before the originally scheduled match week ends. Sending a request does not grant an extension. Only Jerry Joseph or Hope Masterson may approve it.

Stone-solid season deadline

Each flight's published Week 18 regular-season deadline is absolute. Every regular-season match must be completed and every score submitted before that flight's deadline. No makeup period or approval may continue beyond it.

A match still incomplete or unreported at the season deadline becomes a forfeit against the responsible player or team. The same forfeited match does not also receive the two-point late-match penalty. A match for which both sides are responsible becomes a double forfeit. ADA rules determine the official score and standings credit awarded for any forfeit.

11. Score reporting, standings and tiebreakers

Scores must be entered through the designated ADA or SFD system. Ordinary score-correction deadlines and procedures follow the applicable ADA handbook. The published season-end deadline always remains absolute.

Standings award one point for each individual game won.

When standings points are tied, the first statistical tiebreaker is the most 180s in applicable split-bull flights or the most hat tricks in applicable full-bull flights. Official ADA records control. If the tie remains, SFD will conduct a live coin flip for the affected seed or position.

Doubles partner statistics remain recorded separately in the ADA system. SFD uses the official ADA record applicable to the current team and will not substitute undocumented statistics.

12. League dues and payment

Vegas Challenge regular-season dues are $25 per player per week. A Doubles team therefore pays $50 per scheduled week, $25 per partner.

Every match must be paid for before it is played. The registration and scoring system may block an unpaid player or team from playing or submitting a score until payment is complete.

Championship playoff matches and the Week 21 Second Chance event do not require an additional entry fee from eligible participants.

Any advance-payment or full-season offer will be disclosed at checkout and in the applicable registration terms. League dues support prizes, administration, scheduling, standings, technology, processing, communications and league operations. Dues are not represented as escrowed funds.

13. Withdrawals, replacements and byes

Departing player

A player who quits, fails to finish the season or fails to remain current with required payments forfeits all payments already made, personal claim to the league position's wins, prize eligibility and Second Chance eligibility. No refund is due, including when the departure occurs on the final day of the regular season.

Singles replacement

SFD will make a reasonable effort to find an eligible replacement and may approve a replacement at any point while the league remains active. The approved replacement receives only the departing player's previously earned game-win standings points. Personal statistics, tiebreaker totals, payments, prize eligibility and other individual benefits do not transfer.

The replacement must pay for and complete every scheduled week or match the departing player did not pay for or play, subject to the absolute season deadline. If no replacement is found, the position becomes a bye for the remainder of the season.

Doubles replacement

When one Doubles partner leaves, the remaining partner is primarily responsible for finding an eligible replacement, and SFD will make a reasonable effort to assist. An approved replacement joins the existing team position and assumes the applicable remaining payments and matches. The team retains its previously earned game-win standings points.

If no eligible replacement is found, the remaining partner and team position are forfeited, a bye is inserted for the remainder of the season and no refund is issued.

14. Championship playoffs

The top four players or teams in each flight qualify for the Championship playoffs.

- Week 19 semifinal: No. 1 seed plays No. 4 seed.
- Week 19 semifinal: No. 2 seed plays No. 3 seed.
- Each semifinal is one match, best of 21, race to 11.
- The semifinal winners meet in Week 20 for one final, best of 21, race to 11.

No additional weekly dues are charged for Championship playoff matches.

15. Per-flight Second Chance blind draw

The Second Chance event is a free, invitation-only blind draw held for each individual flight in Week 21 on Sunday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Only players from the same completed flight participate together. Players from different flights are not pooled. There is no separate 10-entry or 8-entry minimum.

Only participants who complete the full regular season, play every required game, submit every required score by the deadline, remain current with all league payments and remain in good standing are eligible for an invitation.

The Championship winner is excluded from that flight's Second Chance event. For example, if 10 Singles players complete a flight, the champion is excluded and the other nine eligible finishers are invited.

For Singles, the blind draw establishes the event bracket. For Doubles, established eligible teams remain together and the blind draw establishes bracket placement; partners are not randomly reassigned unless SFD announces a different approved format before registration.

There is no additional Second Chance entry fee.

16. Prizes and payment timing

Event	Starting prize
Singles Championship	$1,500
Doubles Championship	$3,000 per team - $1,500 per winning partner
Singles Second Chance	$750
Doubles Second Chance	$1,500 per team - $750 per winning partner

These are starting prize amounts for a fully funded flight. Final payouts may decrease when a participant leaves and the position is not fully funded. SFD determines the final adjustment at its discretion and does not publish or guarantee a fixed reduction formula.

Championship and Second Chance winners are paid after the applicable flight's Week 21 event concludes. Payments will initially be issued by mailed check. SFD may offer electronic payment in the future.

A payee must provide an accurate legal name, mailing address and telephone number. The legal name must match the name used to deposit or cash the check. Nicknames are not accepted for prize-payment records. SFD may require identity and tax information required by law.

Prizes are cash awards and are not conditioned upon traveling to Las Vegas. A prize may not be sold, assigned, pledged or redirected to another person before payment.

17. Good standing

- Remain current with all required league dues.
- Complete and report every required regular-season game by the applicable deadline.
- Maintain required ADA membership and platform accounts.
- Comply with scheduling, communication, equipment, camera, integrity and sportsmanship requirements.
- Have no active disciplinary sanction that makes the participant ineligible.

An official bye, opponent dropout, opponent forfeit, approved extension, properly played-ahead match or circumstance outside the participant's reasonable control does not by itself remove good-standing status.

18. Protests, appeals and conflicts of interest

A participant challenging a material SFD ruling should submit a written protest within 48 hours after the ruling or result is posted or communicated. The protest must identify the challenged decision, explain the basis and include available evidence. Ordinary score-correction timing remains controlled by the applicable ADA handbook.

One administrative appeal may be requested. The appeal should explain why the initial decision is believed to be incorrect and provide relevant information not previously considered. After the permitted appeal, the administrative determination is final for SFD league operations, subject to applicable law and controlling ADA requirements.

No SFD decision-maker may make the final determination when that person or an immediate family member has a direct competitive interest. The matter will be referred to Karl Remick or another qualified neutral ADA official willing and authorized to review it. If no such official is reasonably available, SFD may appoint another knowledgeable neutral person.

19. Discipline

Depending on the seriousness of the conduct and available evidence, SFD may impose a verbal warning, written warning, point deduction, match forfeit, standings correction, suspension, league removal, Discord removal, prize disqualification or removal from future SFD participation.

Hope Masterson and Jerry Joseph jointly make the final disciplinary decision. Conflict-of-interest rules remain applicable.

20. Official communications

Official general league information may be published on StrikeForceDarts.com, the official SFD Discord server and other SFD-designated channels. Participant-specific matters may be communicated by email or another documented method used by SFD.

Players are responsible for monitoring official communications for schedules, deadlines, standings, payment notices, postseason information, rule updates and league announcements.

Questions, protests, appeals, payment matters and formal requests should be emailed to strikeforcedarts@gmail.com.

21. Rule interpretation and midseason changes

SFD may interpret, clarify or supplement these Rules when reasonably necessary to address ambiguity, platform changes, safety, fraud, technology failure, competitive integrity, legal requirements or an unforeseen operational problem.

Once a flight begins, SFD will not materially change weekly dues, the basic playoff structure or another central competitive term except when reasonably required by law, platform failure, cheating, fraud,

participant safety, force majeure or a circumstance making continued enforcement impossible or materially unfair. Material changes will be communicated to affected participants.

22. Cancellation and force majeure

Because registration is accepted before launch payment, a flight that does not form will not be started. If an amount was collected for a flight that never starts, SFD will determine the appropriate refund or account correction.

SFD may modify, postpone, suspend or cancel affected competition when circumstances outside its reasonable control make normal operation impossible, unsafe, unlawful or materially unfair. SFD will make reasonable efforts to preserve completed results and legitimately earned prizes when practicable.

Cancellation, relocation, postponement or restructuring of ADA Nationals does not automatically cancel the SFD Vegas Challenge. Properly earned SFD cash prizes remain governed by these Rules.

23. Taxes, publicity and legal administration

All federal, state and local tax obligations associated with a prize are the recipient's responsibility. SFD may require information, issue forms or report a prize when required by law.

By accepting a prize, a winner authorizes reasonable use of the winner's name, dart-player name, photograph or likeness, hometown and state, results and prize information for SFD league and promotional purposes to the extent permitted by law. Any separately required consent will be obtained.

Where an issue is not expressly addressed, SFD may make a reasonable determination consistent with competitive fairness, player safety, league integrity, these Rules, controlling ADA requirements and applicable law.

To the extent permitted by law, these Rules and disputes arising directly from SFD administration are governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. If any provision is found invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain effective. Failure to enforce a provision once does not waive future enforcement.

24. Participant acknowledgment

By registering, paying dues or participating in a Vegas Challenge match, each participant acknowledges an opportunity to review these Rules and agrees to comply with them.

- Understand the rules and calendar applicable to the selected flight.
- Maintain eligibility, good standing, required memberships and accurate registration information.
- Pay required dues before playing.
- Schedule and complete matches and report scores accurately and on time.
- Maintain required equipment, platforms, camera and connectivity.

- Monitor official communications and comply with integrity and sportsmanship requirements.

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