

Procedures and Rules for Draw Tournaments

The following procedure has been adopted by the District in order that no one will have to be sent home. We believe this to be the most fair method for Draw Tournaments.

1. More District Amateurs than Pros

If more district amateurs sign up for a tournament than pros, the top state amateurs will be selected to play as a pro for that tournament to balance the number of pros and amateurs. The following criteria will be used to select the state amateurs required to move up that day. It will be based on the number of master points achieved during the previous season plus the number of master points accumulated so far this season. The state amateur that acquired the **highest** number of points will be selected first and so on down the line.

After the above has been balanced and there are still state amateurs left over, see number 3 below.

2. More Pros than District Amateurs

If there are more pros than district amateurs, then the **lowest** state amateur players will be selected to play as district amateurs. After the above has been balanced and there are still state amateurs left over, see number 3 below.

3. Same Number of Pros and District Amateurs

For this tournament, the state amateurs will be paired, the top one with the bottom one, and so on down the line.

4. More District Amateurs than Pros and State Amateurs Combined

If there are not enough pros and state amateurs combined, then two district amateurs would have to pair up with each other. In this case again, we would look at the points earned during the previous season and the current season. The district amateurs that acquired the **most** points would draw each other. This would give them the best chance to compete that day.

5. More Pros than District Amateurs and State Amateurs Combined

If there are not enough district amateurs and state amateurs combined, then two pros will be allowed to partner for this tournament. The method used to pair up the pros will be as follows: We will look at the point list for the pros for the previous season and the current master points. The pros with the **lowest** points will be paired together. If there is more than one such team, they must be put in the same bracket of the tournament.

New state amateurs and new pros start the season with zero points.