



ADO PLAYOFF PROGRAM

The following information is provided for ADO players and/or Member Associations interested in participating in the annual AMERICAN DARTS ORGANIZATION® Playoff Program. This information should help to answer many of your questions regarding ADO Playoffs. For additional materials and information, please consult the "ADO Playoff Rules & Regulations" and/or your ADO Regional Director or Area Manager.

ADVANTAGES:

The ADO Playoff Program benefits YOUR members, YOUR association and YOUR local pub owners, alike. These benefits can include:

- "Visibility" for YOUR association outside the local area, which may result in added revenue for YOUR ADO Sanctioned Tournament events.
- Additional revenue to cover entry/travel costs for YOUR player/s to participate at the Regional level.
- Provides added business opportunities for YOUR local pub owners.
- YOUR Local Members can gain: additional tournament experience; added recognition for their darting skills; free travel to out-of-town playoffs and tournament events; ADO shirts and Special Awards; opportunity to REPRESENT THE U.S.A.

GOALS:

- To provide EVERY ADO MEMBER the opportunity to play Darts at the Association, Regional, National and World levels.
- To determine 501/ Cricket singles U.S. Champions and U.S. Representatives for National and World darts competition.

PURPOSE:

- To fund travel, hotel, uniforms and affiliated administrative expenses for ADO Player/Team Representatives in Regional, National and World darts events (Masters, All-Star / 501 Championship, U.S. Team & Cricket Championship events).

ELIGIBILITY:

- To participate a player must be a member in good standing with the ADO or one of its affiliated associations, leagues, or clubs. Every ADO Affiliated association/league/club is entitled and encouraged to hold playoffs for each of the events comprising the ADO Playoff Program.
- To participate foreign players must be able to prove they have been continuously domiciled in the U.S. for a period of 6 months plus 1 day (i.e. green card/passport valid for more than six months). For competitions that lead to international representation, foreign players must have been registered with the ADO Office and must have been continuously domiciled in the U.S. for a minimum of three years without representing another country.

RULES:

- ADO Member associations/leagues/clubs will determine the following: number of playoffs; playoff date/s and time/s, in accordance with deadline dates on ADO Tournament Calendar; number of entries to advance to the Regional Playoff, provided the association forwards the entry fee for each player directly to the Regional Director.
- All Playoff events are played under the supervision of the ADO Representative, ADO Regional Director or their appointed representative.

FORMAT:

- Association: The host club will determine the format for their own ADO Playoff/s.
- Regional: Round Robin, 3 straight legs, 1 Point per leg (excluding tie-breakers)
- National: Round Robin/Round Robin for events that determine a team Round Robin/Knockout for events that determine individual Champions

FEES:

- Youth - see ADO YOUTH PLAYOFF RULES & REGULATIONS
- Association: The host club will determine the entry fee for their own ADO Playoff/s.
- Regional: ALL adult events - \$110 per player (\$880. per region) by association check or money order made payable to ADO, Inc. ONLY. CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED - PERSONAL CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- National: NONE

EQUIPMENT:

- All ADO Regional/Area/National Playoffs will be played on the NODOR/DMI dartboard, the official Dartboard of the ADO; unless otherwise approved.

ADO POINTS:

- Players who finish in the Top 16 in each adult Regional Playoff will earn ADO Championship Points, in accordance with the "ADO Regional Playoff Points Structure", included in the playoff Rules & Regulations.