Space Coast Darting Association State Team Rules

<u>Eligibility-</u> Any individual interested in participating in the state team tournament, must become a member of the SCDA, by paying membership fee by the Wednesday prior to the first qualifier tournament. They must also contribute to the league in some form. That can be by playing on a Wednesday night team, participating in an SCDA sponsored tournament that is sanctioned by the FDA, help with the tournaments, or anything to participate in the needs of the league.

Players living outside of the Brevard County may participate in the state team tournament by becoming a member of the SCDA and playing in a minimum of 5 weeks on a team in the Winter/Spring season prior to the State Team roster dead line imposed by the FDA. This player will also need to meet the requirement in paragraph 1 for the Summer/Fall season of that same year.

Returning players from the prior year's state team must declare their intentions for the upcoming state team try-outs at least **one week** prior to the first qualifier. That can be done by contacting the State team director. If this is not done, it will be assumed that the player is not returning and that spot will be filled with players from the qualifiers.

Players under the age of 21 must have a sponsor. A sponsor can be a legal guardian or a member of SCDA that is over the age of 21. The sponsor has full responsibility for the player during qualifying, try-outs, team practices and competition. The SCDA will not accept any liabilities for a player under the age of 21.

Qualifiers There will be at minimum of two qualifiers prior to the state team tryouts. One to be held in the South end of the county and one in the North end of the county, with one on Saturday and one on Sunday. A week night qualifier will be held if needed. The Qualifiers will be a round robin format which will be 401 SoDo/ Cricket/ 401 SoDo for women and 401 SoDo/ Cricket/ 401 DoDo for men. Play all 3 rounds. The venues for these tournaments must be held by sponsors of the league. There will be a ten dollar fee collected at each qualifier. All money collected at these events will be placed directly into the state team fund, to help pay for the sponsor fee into the State Team Tournament and any other costs associated with the SCDA participating in the State Team Tournament.

<u>Try-outs</u> Try-outs will be held over a two day weekend and will follow the same round robin format as the qualifiers. Finals will consist of all declared returning state team players and players who qualified at the qualifying events, no exceptions. There will be a \$20 try out fee collected. The maximum number of men will be 24 and the maximum number of women will be 14. This will field the two teams consisting of six men and three women for each team. Captains will be the 13th & 14th ranked man and 7th & 8th ranked Women. In the event someone drops out before the state team event, the highest point holder captain will be offered a playing position on the roster. Then the next ranked non team member will fill the open captains position. Once the teams have been finalized we will ask that a document stating their commitment to the state team be signed. Players under the age of 21 will also need their sponsor to sign the document. All players must be able to participate in both weekends and attend team practices.

Returning members don't have to qualify for try outs, they will just need to send in their intent to return one week prior to Qualifiers and attend try outs.

*Any person participating in either of these events should be no where near the score table unless reporting results. Results should be entered and kept confidential by a non participating board member or an assigned tournament director, until such time that all results have been finalized.

Team Captains - Captains will be the 13th & 14th ranked man and 7th & 8th ranked Women. Captains will be player/captains but will remain in the captain position unless the following occurs.

- Injury or sickness preventing player to perform
- Unsportsmanlike conduct (This includes, but is not limited to excessive drunkenness (unable to compete), fighting, walking out on state team events, or no show for an event)
- If rostered player requests or agrees to substitution. In this case, substitution should be voted on by team, with a Majority vote in favor of the change. Captains will not vote.

Substitution of Players Any State Team Member that cannot fulfill their requirements prior to the start of the State Team Regional will be replaced. If a member of the A team drops out the position will be offered to the current members of the B Team based on their standings in the Try-outs. The void on the

B Team will then be offered to the highest ranked captain based on their standing in the Try-outs. Each position will subsequently be filled by ranking.

*After the State Team Regional any member needing replaced on either team will come from the non-qualifying participants in the order of their standing at the Tryouts.

Prize money from FDA- In order for a player to receive money for playing on the state team, they must have played in one of the state regional or the state final, no exceptions.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct- Unsportsmanlike conduct during a state team event or during league will not be tolerated. This includes, but is not limited to excessive drunkenness (unable to compete), fighting, walking out on qualifier or state team events, or no show for an event. Players may be disqualified at the time of the event and can be penalized by the SCDA board for future events. Penalties may consist of verbal or written warnings, suspension from the state team event, suspension from the state team for a year, or indefinite suspension from future state team events. The SCDA board has final discretion on all offences past or present. All SCDA members found in violation of these rules may request to meet with the board to discuss their actions.

Tardiness- Tardiness will not be tolerated. Match start time will be posted on the flyer. The late policy will be enforced as follows based on a 10am time. Example: the event sign-ups start at 9:30 and the event begins at 10. If you are going to be late a call must be received by 9:45. If the player has not arrived by 10:15 and the match is called they lose all points to that match. If no show by 10:30, the player is disqualified. A player not reporting to their assigned board within 15 minutes will lose all points for that match. A player that does not report for their second match will be disqualified.

Donations and Fundraisers- All funds raised at an announced fundraiser will be divided up evenly among those who participated. Participation can include donating raffle items, playing in the event, helping with set up/break down of event and help facilitating the event. Any fundraisers that are planned with not enough time to advertise will go into a community fund. The community fund will be evenly divided up between the entire team.

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