

## ***2020 State TCAAA Conference 42 Tournament Rules***

Following the tournament format are the rules for the 2020 TCAAA 42 tournament.

### **Tournament Style**

- It is the desire of the domino committee to hold a double elimination bracket pending enough people register.
- Players will be paired and seeded by drawing names after registration. If people register the day of, teams will be re-drawn on the day of the tournament.
- Teams will play to 7 marks or a time limit. Times will be set after we see the number of people registered. The team who reaches 7 or the highest number of marks will advance.
- Depending on number of players to register, domino committee has the right to allow a practice game before tournament play begins.
- The domino committee has the right to amend these rules prior to the start of the tournament if need arises.

### **Rules for 2020 TCAAA 42 Tournament**

1. Dominoes will be provided by the tournament.
2. To begin play, each player draws one domino with the highest draw (adding both sides of the domino) wins the first shuffle. Ties are to be re-drawn by only the tying players.
3. The "domino shaker" role rotates clock-wise, and the person to the left of the shaker bids first. The shaker must draw their dominoes last.
4. No "Re-shakes" if the first 3 pass, last player must make a bid.
5. Maximum initial bids of two marks high, with overbidding limited to one mark above the previous bid.
6. The first team to 7 marks wins the round. Each player is allowed 15 seconds to make a bid.
7. Dominoes must be set on table with backrow of 4 dominoes and front row of 3 dominoes and may not be rearranged during play. If everyone agrees, dominoes may be held in hand instead.
8. "Nello" or Low bids are allowed with a 2-Mark bid at any time. If you are force bid, then one may declare "Nello" for 1-Mark.
9. "No Trump" (Follow Me) bids are allowed.
10. "Sevens", "Splash" and "Plunge" bids are NOT allowed.
11. Bids of two marks or more should be stacked.
12. A domino laid is a domino played.
13. Trump suit (or no trump) must be called BEFORE first domino is played; otherwise, the suit of first domino played will be trump suit.
14. Any attempt of "talking across the table" will result in loss of hand.
15. Renege (misplay) counts as a loss of the hand.
16. No player substitutions or changing teammates are allowed after the tournament begins.