

Hello Darts Ontario Members,

I would like to start by thanking you all for your support and patience throughout this difficult situation. There have been many hard decisions that have needed to be made and your comments and feedback has been very helpful and appreciated.

With Nationals 2020 being cancelled, we have also made the hard decision to also cancel Ontario Provincials 2020. I know that this is not what everyone had hoped to see. The truth is that we really do not know what the province will look like, and allow, in the months to come. We also have to take into consideration that other events and vacations are already scheduled, or will be looking to reschedule, and this will make it that much more difficult to reschedule the Adult Provincial Championships.

We do have a plan for both everyone that qualified in the 2019/2020 season as well as the effects that it will have on the 2020/2021 season.

We will be rolling over the 2019/2020 Season Standings into Provincials 2021. This will include a "Grandfather Clause" for anyone that did qualify for Provincials 2020 as well as a modified Zone Program for the 2020/2021 Season.

#### **Grandfathered Qualifiers for Provincials 2020**

- Everyone who qualified through their Zone through the 2019/2020 season will automatically be grandfathered into Provincials 2021.
- Everyone who qualified through a Bye for Provincials 2020 will automatically be grandfather into Provincials 2021. This includes:
  - 2018/2019 Team Ontario Members
  - 2018/2019 Zone Champions
  - 2018/2019 Top 4 Ontario Ranking Qualifiers
  - 2019/2020 Affiliate Singles Tournament Winners for both the East and the West
  - 2019/2020 Affiliate League Byes
- All of these qualifiers will still be **required to purchase a 2020/2021 NDFC/Darts Ontario Membership**. This can be done by either attending their Zone Shoot just to purchase a membership or reaching out to their Zone Director no later than **December 1, 2020**.

#### **Modified Zone for the 2020/2021 Season**

- Anyone who **DID NOT qualify** for 2020 Provincials through their Zone may play Zones again this year. This includes any new players who did not play during the 2019/2020 Season. (If someone did qualify in the 2019/2020 Season, they are not eligible to participate in Zones during the 2020/2021 Season.)
- The fee to play in the Zone Shoots during the 2020/2021 Season will be \$5 per player per event for anyone that DID play last year but did not qualify. Any new players that come out to Zones this season (2020/2021) will be required to pay the standard \$10 per player per event fee.
- We will be taking a maximum number of people per event from each Zone.
- The maximum number of additional qualifiers will be dependent on the number of players per event per zone. (See chart below)

**Chart for Additional Zone Qualifiers from the 2020/2021 Season**

- If there are 15 or less players in an event, then 1 additional qualifier will be awarded
- If there are 16-30 players in an event, then 2 additional qualifiers will be awarded
- If there are 31 or more players in an event, then an additional 3 qualifiers will be awarded

We have also created a FAQ document to help answer your questions. This document can be located on the Darts Ontario website under the “What’s New” tab.

We know that this is not what everyone had hoped to see happen. However, as there are still so many unknown factors at this time that are out of our control, we feel that this will be the best-case scenario for the majority of our members while also keeping the Darts Ontario organization in a strong position.

Thank You,

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