

2018 NASC™ - General Information

NASC™ Web Site: Check out the official 2018 NASC™ web site - www.2018nasc.com - where you can see the most current tournament information, e-mail your questions, pre-order 2018 NASC™ Jackets, sign up as a co-sponsor, etc.

Player Ratings: The 2018 Bowers Ratings, including the mid-season adjustments, will be used for this tournament. If you do not have a rating and want to play in the Tournament, please contact us asap, preferably by August 1. Please note that it's very possible that some events will be full by that date, so it is in your best interest to contact us as soon as possible so that we can establish a rating for you. For a copy of the ratings, please visit the Bowers' web site, www.shuffleboardcorner.com to download a copy. In the interest of fairness, and to protect the integrity of the tournament, we reserve the right to change the rating assigned to any previously un-rated player.

General Eligibility: Players rated between -.01 to -1.50 must play in the Pro Division; players rated between 0.00 and 1.49 may play in Division I or higher; players rated between 1.50 and 2.49 may play in Division II or higher; Players rated between 2.50 and 5.00 may play in Division III or higher. In the Pro Doubles, -1's may not play together. In Division I Doubles, 0's may not play together.

Registration Deadlines: The cutoff for registration is as follows: Pro/Am Draft - 11:00 p.m. Friday. Singles Events - 11:00 p.m. Sunday. Draw Partner Events - 11:00 p.m. Tuesday. Four Person - 11:00 p.m. Wednesday. Doubles Events - 10:00 a.m. Friday. There is a \$25.00 penalty for signing up after these times **IF** we are still accepting entries after the cutoff time.

Event Formats: Pro/Am Draft: best 5 out of 9, double elimination, 12 point games. Four Person Team Events: 2 out of 3, double elimination. A/B Draw Partners: single game, double elimination. Pro Singles & Doubles: 2 out of 3 winners & losers bracket. All Division I, II & III Singles & Doubles events: 2 out of 3 winners bracket & single 21 point game losers bracket. For the final six teams/players in the Division I, II, & III Singles & Doubles events, all remaining matches will revert back to 2 out of 3 until the champion has been determined. All games are 15 points unless otherwise noted. We reserve the right to play 12 point games in the Four Person Team Events.

Pro/Am Draft Team Event: The draft is at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 27th; followed by the auction, at 12:00 noon. Play begins immediately after the auction. All players **must** be present by 10:00 a.m. for pre-draft roll call. Any players not present will be dropped. There is a \$25 penalty for signing up the day of the event.

Singles Events: There is a \$25 penalty for signing up the day of the event.

4 Person Team Events: Whole number ratings are being used for these events. In the add to 1 event, there is a maximum of one "-1" per team, also, no more than two "-4" rated players total. In the add to 9 event, there is a maximum of one "1" rated player.

Room Rates: The Sands Regency is offering a special tournament rate of \$39.00, plus tax, for Sunday through Thursday nights and a rate of \$64.00, plus tax, for Friday and Saturday. In order to be guaranteed this rate, you must make your reservations by October 7, 2018. Room reservations made after that date may be subject to regular rates. To make reservations, call the Sands Regency's room reservation line at 800-648-3553 and tell them your group code is SHUFFLE2018.

A/B Draw Partners: In both events, the top half of the field will draw a partner from the bottom half of the field.

Weights: Players may use their own weights, which must have red & blue caps. They may be any brand, so long as the plating is intact and in good condition. The total weight must not be less than 310 grams, nor more than 355 grams. All weights are subject to inspection by the Tournament Director who may, at his discretion, disallow any weights he deems unacceptable. Weights that are excessively scratched or have plating that is worn through are examples of unacceptable equipment. Players must start each game with a full set of eight weights, four red and four blue. Switching of caps after the flip is not allowed.

Scheduling/Auction times: Please note that these are approximate starting times and that the actual auction times could be several hours earlier or later. The exact times for the individual events will be determined based on the number of players in each event. All players must be present for the auctions for the events they are playing in, failure to do so will result in a \$20.00 fine per infraction. Play for each event begins after the auction for that event, except for the doubles events, which will begin play on Saturday morning. The auction time for the Pro/Am Draft is 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 27. The auctions for all singles events are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 29th. The auctions for the Draw Partner events will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 31st, with roll call at 9:00 a.m. The auctions for the 4 Person Team Events are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 1st. All doubles auctions are scheduled for Friday, November 2nd, after the conclusion of the Four Person Team Events.

Added money breakdown: The Sands Regency is adding up to \$16,500 to the North American Championships. Of that, \$6,000 is guaranteed, and is allocated as follows: \$3,000 will be used for rebate and promotional purposes, and \$3,000 will be added to the Pro Singles, contingent upon 16 or more players in that event. If there are 24 players in the Pro Singles, The Shuffleboard Federation will add an additional \$3,000 (\$6,000 total). For 32 players, there may be an additional \$2,000 (\$8,000 total). Pro Singles added money winners will receive \$500 each, which will be paid to the top half of the field. In order to be eligible for the added money in the Pro Singles, you must be paid in full for that event by August 31st, and play in the Pro/Am Draft, or two other events. The rest of the added money will be awarded to randomly drawn winners, who will receive \$100 each. Additional added money is based on the number of teams in the Pro/Am Draft: 24-27 teams equals \$4,000 of additional added money (\$10,000 total). With 28 or more teams in the Pro/Am Draft, there will be \$6,500 of additional added money (\$16,500 total).

Cancellation & Refund Policy: Registration Fee & Board Fee are non-refundable. If you drop out of an event twenty-four hours or more prior to the event, the cancellation fee is \$25 for each event you drop out of. If you drop out of an event less than twenty-four hours prior to the start of that event, you forfeit your entry fee. Refunds will be issued by check and mailed within thirty days after the tournament.

Sands Regency Casino Hotel: The Tournament is in the Regency Ballroom, which is located in the Regency tower of the Sands. The tournament area has a bar and cocktail waitresses, a players only playing area and reserved seating for players. Located within fifty feet of the tournament area are: rest rooms, cocktail lounge, stairs to the casino, and elevators that go to our reserved rooms in the Regency tower. The Hotel features a health club/fitness center on the 17th floor that includes a large Jacuzzi with a view of the mountains, along with a wet and dry sauna. For room reservations, call the Sands at 800-648-3553, and tell them you are with group number SHUFFLE2018.