

Tournament Rules

- **"Straight" 42:** No nello, no sevens, plunge, etc... **"Follow Me" (No Trump) is allowed**
- **Bracket position will be chosen by a random draw**
- **All players must have a knowledge of "42" Domino game. No first-time players.**

Setup & Deal

- **Teams:** Four players in teams of two partners sitting opposite each other.
 - **Tiles:** A double-six set (28 tiles) is used, shuffled face down.
- *1st shuffler is the highest draw of the table – then proceeds left & continues till match is complete
- **Dealing:** Team opposing the shuffler each draws 7 tiles, then the shuffler's partner draws 7 tiles with the shuffler taking the remaining 7 tiles

Bidding

- **Order:** Starts with the player to the left of the shuffler, clockwise.
- **Bids:** Minimum bid is 30 points (up to 42). Bids increase sequentially.
- **Marks:** Bidding 42 points can be a "mark," meaning the bidder must win all tricks. Higher marks (e.g., 2 marks) can be bid, requiring all 42 points. 2 marks being the highest possible bid
 - **Forced Bid:** If everyone passes, the dealer must bid at least 30.
- **Declarer:** Highest bidder wins the bid, picks the trump suit, and leads the first trick.
 - **Trump Suit:** The declarer names the trump suit (e.g., 6s, 5s, etc...).
- **Following Suit:** Players must play a domino of the led suit if possible; if not, they can play any other domino (including a trump). But no reneging.
- **Winning a Trick:** The highest trump wins. If no trump, the highest tile of the led suit wins.
 - **Leading:** The winner of a trick leads the next.

Scoring & Winning

- **Scoring:** is by Marks
 - **Winning:** First team with 7 "marks" wins the game.
- **Winning Best 2 out of 3 hands is declared winner of the table and advances to the next round**

General

No smoking, drinking, eating, or cell phones at the table. No talking across the table, no reneging - any reneging will result in the mark going to the other team

Decision of the judges is FINAL