

**MN. Operators of Music & Amusements**  
**MN. Pool & Darts Association LLC**  
**Pool Tournament Eligibility**

1. All players in the MN.Operators of Music & Amusements (MOMA) Pool Tournament must be from a team in a league run by a member in good standing with the M.O.M.A. and that member must be a shareholder or invitee of the MN.Pool & Dart Association (MPDA). “Run” being defined as: A league in which the week to week statistics are compiled by the league office of that MOMA operator/co-op league system or an authorized representative of that MOMA / co-op league system.
2. Co-op league systems, involving more than one operator, will be permitted providing that all participating members of the co-op league system are members of good standing of MOMA, and the MPDA.
3. All shareholders or invitees of MPDA must conduct league play on operator owned tables only. All league games must take place on pool tables that accept coin, currency or are card activated on location and must be owned by an operator and may not be leased to the location, or league will not qualify for MOMA Tournament eligibility.
4. Operator members may use sub-contracted league coordinators as long as all the above guidelines are followed and all tournament eligibility criteria is met. In addition all the following items will be required to meet eligibility.
  - a. Complete list of the locations in the league the players are coming from. (The list must be submitted to the operator at least one week prior to the first league match.)
  - b. Name of the operator in those locations
  - c. The operator must attest to the ownership of the pool tables
  - d. All operators in the leagues locations must be members in good standing of the MOMA and the MPDA.
  - e. All Tournament entries and stats must be submitted through the operator who the teams/players qualified through league play requirements.
  - f. A Sub-contractors league must take place in locations that have an appropriate number of operator owned pool tables to support the league. If not the league will be considered ineligible.

5. All participants must be of legal drinking age and comply with the regulations of the locality and State in which they compete in leagues.
6. All players must have played a minimum of thirty-two (32) games in no less than eight (8) weeks of the current season to compete in Singles competition.
7. All players must have played a minimum of thirty-two (32) games in no less than eight (8) weeks of the current season to compete in Team competition.
8. Teams competing in the M.O.M.A. Team Championships must consist of three original team members who meet the eligibility requirements. Subs may come from within the charter holder system.
9. Teams of women playing in an open league shall be eligible to play in Women's events.
10. Current, up to date, complete stats showing total games actually played must be submitted with each player / team entry.
11. For team events, stats may not be combined from different leagues (except substitutes) or league seasons to be eligible. The league season to be defined as January 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup>.
12. Players from two-person team format leagues will be eligible for singles events if all other eligibility requirements are met.
13. More than four players are allowed on a four person team providing all other criteria are met. Teams with more than four players that start a match must finish that match. The tournament committee reserves the right to rule on cases with extenuating circumstances.
14. The "Masters Division" will consist of the following:
  - A. Any player deemed a "Master" player by the VNEA or BCA will be required to play masters at the M.O.M.A. Singles Tournament.
  - B. Any team with two master players will be required to play in the "Master's" event at the M.O.M.A. Team Championships.
  - C. Once a player is placed on the masters list, he / she must compete in the "Master" division for two years before removal is possible.
  - D. A team for any "Master's" team event may be made up of any four or five players within that charter operators / co-op system. The tournament committee reserves the right to place players / teams of known eligibility in the "Master's" division.
  - E. The top twelve finishers in the AA Men's and AA Women's division's (single / team) will move to the "Master's" division the next season.
  - F. All players finishing sixth or better at any Open, State, National or Casino Tournament within the previous three years will be considered

“Master” players. All players entering M.O.M.A. events will be required to disclose this information. Failure to do so will result in disqualification and a five year ban from all M.O.M.A. events.

15. All players that “place” in a Casino Tournament will be considered “AA” players. If a player is in “AA”, they will remain in “AA” for a period of at least three (3) tournaments. If they request, in writing to M.O.M.A., to be moved down to “A”, they will be permitted to do so if they have not finished in the final chart in any of the previous three (3) tournaments. In the case of players known ability, M.O.M.A. reserves the right to refuse movement.

### **Shareholder Responsibilities**

1. Any shareholder or invitee sending teams or players to an MOMA, MPDA sponsored event must send a qualified representative of that operator to work all assigned work shifts. This representative must be a principal or salaried employee of that shareholder or invitee. If unable to work any assigned shift, that representative must have made prior arrangements to have that shift or shifts covered by another operator representative. Failure to follow these rules will result in that operator or coop league system’s players being banned from competition in MOMA, MPDA sponsored events for one calendar year.

**2. In addition a fine of no less than \$500 and no more than \$1000 will be assessed to the operator for no show work shifts.** The amount of the fine will be decided by the MOMA, MPDA Boards of Directors and will be dependent on how many teams or players the shareholder or invitee entered in the event. This fine must be paid within **30** days after receiving notification from the MOMA, MPDA Executive Director.

3. Shareholders or invitee will receive their work shift schedules at least one week prior to any pool tournament event. Work shifts takes precedence over playing in the tournament.

4. It is the responsibility of the shareholder or invitee to place their players in the proper division. If there is a question as to the player’s skill level it should be brought to the attention of the tournament director. Failure to follow this policy could result in a fine of no less than \$500 or more than \$1000. The tournament committee reserves the right to properly place this type of player or team in the correct level.

5. Starting with the year 2013 no shareholder will hold a tournament 10 days or less prior to or 10 days or less after the state tournament.

