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A singles or draw doubles tournament format wherein each match consists of just one frame game, with a random draw for a new court, end and color assignment (and thereby a new partner in the case of doubles) for every player each match. Every player plays every match of the tournament - there is no elimination. Tournament winners are individual players, even when the games are played as draw doubles, determined by the number of games won by each player and/or the accumulated total of their winning games scores (or sometimes the accumulated total of all their game scores, whether won or lost). Originally for this format the tournament started with draw doubles games, and then the top eight players completed the tournament as a singles bracket event; the term "Mingle" represented the change in partners each doubles game; the term "Singles" represented the prizes being awarded to individual singles players rather than doubles partner teams. Sometimes when played as practice or fun games instead of as a tournament, the loser of a game pays the winner at their end a token cash prize, such as a quarter. Syn: COLORS, MINGLES, SCRAMBLES, YELLOW-BLACK.

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