

Playing Rules

Looking back in my books, I found the playing rules that our first shuffleboard tournament was played under, December 12, 1928.

These also were the playing rules of the Mirror Lake Club at this time.

1. Red shoots first at the beginning of a set, following games that are started by winner.
2. Players should be careful not to step over first black line when shooting and each must keep on his half of the court.
3. Discs touching black lines are not counted.
4. No discs shall be stopped on courts by other player's cue.
5. Discs played should all be left where they stop until final play is made and score counted.
6. Discs striking grass are dead, and should be taken off the court before another play is made.
7. Coaching your partner is allowed.
8. Fifty (50) points shall constitute a game. If both have 50 points, the one having highest score wins. If a tie, shoot at both ends twice.

Yes, changes in the playing rules have been made and more, no doubt, will be made in the future. I feel that all playing rules have helped improve the game and make it more fair and fun for all to play. I wish that all leagues and all those that play the game would follow the playing rules 100%. It would make for a better game and a lot more fun.

So, play to win, and if you lose, wear a smile, for that smile on you looks great!

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