

# **Official Rules**

- 1 point for match win and 1 point for PR win, evaluated by eXtremeGammon2.
- All matches are played on a laptop the player brings himself. Matches are played at the same table next to your opponent.
- Initial round matches will be played on play.backgammongalaxy.com (the new BG Galaxy server) in Play-a-Friend mode.
- Quarter Final spots will be given to the top 6 in terms of points and the top 2 in terms of PR average among the rest.
- Quarter- and Semi Finals: Four 7-point matches, played on a live board.
- The Final: Five 7-point matches, played on a live board.
- In case of a point tie, the best PR average will decide who wins.
- The Quarter Final brackets will be seeded with regards to the PR average.
- In the knockout rounds, only the PR average from those matches will decide a winner in case of a point tie.
- In case of a PR average tie rounded to the second decimal for the PR qualification spots, there will be a "sudden death" match to find the winner. The format of "Sudden death": 1-point matches. First player to win both match point and PR point wins. In case of a draw after three matches, the best PR average decides the winner.
- Specific rules like "dice on checker" will be decided at the venue.
- The UBC Final is played later in the year. Best out of twelve matches.

## **TECHNICAL RULES:**

- · Length: 7-point matches.
- Clock: 10 seconds per move and a 7-minute time bank (BG Galaxy "Normal").
- Visible pip count.

#### **EXTREMEGAMMON2 ANALYSIS SETTINGS:**

- XG++ on all moves (1st pass).
- Luck is calculated by 1-ply.
- Search interval: "Normal".
- · Bear-off database: 15 checkers over 9 points.
- Check-boxes on: "Use opening book", "Wrong Double/Take is an error" and "Do not roll opening book moves".

### **SPECIAL RULE CONTENDER AND SPEED FINAL:**

• In order to avoid crowning the winner via "soft analysis settings", we will analyze matches using the search interval "Huge" in case of a point tie and a PR average within 0.07 PR points. If the PR average is still within 0.07 PR points, we will analyze with the search interval "Gigantic" to reach the final analysis result.

#### **SPEED GAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP:**

- · 5-point matches.
- Eight rounds of the initial round.
- top 3 via points and top 1 in AVG PR among the rest qualify for Semi Finals.

