

RDL Dart Board Setup Regulations

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- 1) Dart Boards:
 - a) Boards shall be of Nodor Supawire, Nodor Supamatch, or better quality. Free boards obtained from vendors are no longer acceptable.
 - b) Boards shall be standard 18" bristle board with standard 1-20 clock pattern.
 - c) Boards shall be new and replaced every calendar year, preferably at beginning of a Spring or Fall season.
 - d) To maximize useable life of board, wires may be rotated to ensure equal wear on each part of part.
 - e) Boards shall be mounted with center of bull shall be 5'8" above floor. Use of a back board is preferred, but not required.
 - f) No board shall be mounted with center of bull closer than 4'0" of any adjacent board's center (measured laterally).
- 2) Toe Line:
 - a) Toe lines must be centered on board and a distance of 7' 9 1/4" from a plumb line dropped from the bull (9'7 3/8" diagonal from bull). This distance shall be measured from very front of toe line (edge closest to board), not any line or markings on the toe line.
 - b) Manufactured toe lines are preferred, but not required. Duct Tape, or equivalent is acceptable.
 - c) Lines must be permanently attached to the floor (not on a removable piece of carpeting or mat).
 - d) Lines drawn on floor, temporary nor permanent, are not permitted.
 - e) Flooring under the toe line shall be continuous and of equal height. Uneven flooring or obstruction of toe line is not acceptable.
- 3) Lighting:
 - a) Dedicated lighting shall be utilized to eliminate, or minimize, any shadows generated during match play.
 - b) Generally, two track-type light fixtures aiming from either side of board are appropriate. (The lighted rings made to surround the dart board (e.g. "The CircumLuminator) are also acceptable.)
 - c) Lighting shall be installed in such a manner to not interfere with or impede the flight of darts and/or players view of board.
- 4) Scoreboards:
 - a) Dedicated scoring boards shall be mounted within 5 feet of the dartboard, preferably on the same wall as the dartboard .
 - b) Dry-erase type whiteboards are preferred, but not required. Chalk-type boards are acceptable providing that chalk holders are available at board.
 - c) Each scoreboard shall have working marker, or appropriate writing implement, and dedicated eraser. Manufactured erasers are preferred, but not required. Napkins or towel are acceptable.
- 5) Fans or other obstructions:
 - a) Ceiling mounted fans mounted above dart area are acceptable, but shall have the ability to slow speed or turn off fan during play.
 - b) Any airflow in dart area that is directly affecting flight of darts is not acceptable and shall be removed at player's request.
 - c) Bands/Karaoke (or similar events deemed as a disturbance) shall not begin until after match play is completed.
- 6) Seating:
 - a) Seating for all team members, including visiting team (about 12 seats suggested), shall be provided within the darting area. View of both playing boards shall be unobstructed from seating area
- 7) All board setups currently in RDL as of July, 2008 shall be grandfathered in as approved for a limited time. Refer to RDL Rules and Regulations (Home Bar Responsibilities section) for details.

Refer to the following diagram for example approved setup.

Note regarding lighting – Boards that are mounted inside a lighted ring (e.g. “The CircumLuminator”) are acceptable as this form of lighting has been approved by the ADO.

Note regarding distance between boards – The RDL requires a **MINIMUM** of 4 feet between adjacent boards, however, the preference is to follow the ADO recommended distance of 5 feet between the bullseye of adjacent boards, especially with new setups.

