## **Texas Am Series Information and Eligibility**

## About:

The Texas Amateur Series is designed to allow players from across the state to compete for sponsorships and one of the largest amateur payouts in disc golf history. To accomplish this, Goose Promotions will work with TDs in the areas with the largest concentrations of golfers; Austin, Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio, Tyler, and Lubbock/West Texas to create qualifying events.

Each region will host between 1 and 6 events between January and August 2024. The finale will take place in Austin from September 21-22, 2024. Each singles qualifying event will be a one-day, two-round, shotgun start C-Tier with a maximum capacity of 90 players. Each doubles qualifying event will be a one-day, two-round, shotgun start XC-Tier with a maximum capacity of 144 players.

The top 25% of players in each division will receive an invitation to the Am Series Finale in September. This includes players in doubles events. For example, if there are 20 players (or 10 teams for doubles), the top 5 players (or top 3 teams), plus ties, will receive an invitation to the Finale. If a player has received an invitation and finishes in the top 25% of another event, their invitation will pass down to the next player/team (plus ties).

## **Amateur Series Finale:**

The top 25% of each division plus ties (one player per division needed) will qualify for the series finale. The series finale will host 300 players and will take place at Sprinkle Valley DGC and the MetCenter DGC. Players will receive a player pack that is worth a minimum \$100. \$5/player from every qualifying event will be added into payout for the finale for a minimum of \$2,500. \$2,500 is a minimum, if more than \$2,500 is collected from the qualifying events then that amount will become the added merchandise. Payout will be on-site to a variety of vendors.

The winners of the MA1 and FA1 divisions will be offered a sponsorship contract to MINT Discs. The winner of each division (as long as there are at least 10 players in the division) will receive an option of a Basket (valued between \$150 and \$200, if the value of your payout credit exceeds \$200, you will also receive credit to vendors on site) or credit to the vendors on-Site (\$200 minimum if basket is not selected).

Players will earn points based on performance at each event! Points winners of each division will receive a trophy and a Goose Promotions prize pack at the finale.

## **Eligibility:**

Professional players are eligible to play the singles qualifying events as long as their rating falls in line with the "Pros Playing Am" section of the PDGA Player Eligibility Table

(https://www.pdga.com/files/2023 player\_division\_grid\_-table\_5\_divisions\_etc.\_v6.pdf). For example, a professional player whose rating is below 970 is eligible to play MA1. Professional players that qualify for the Series Finale will receive invitations if they have accepted less than \$1,000 in career cash. If more than \$1,000 cash has been accepted, the invitation will extend to the next eligible player.

Doubles events are open to both amateur and professional players. Professionals playing in Pro divisions will receive cash but will not receive an invitation to the Series Finale.