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## LIMITED CLASS DIVISION

## GENERAL GAME FORMAT

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SpeedQB Limited Class is played with two teams that consist of 4 players each.
The objective of each match is to obtain the most points after all rounds are played.
Points can be earned by eliminating the opposing team's players, capturing the flag, and
"hanging" the flag on the opposing side (touching the flag to the opposing team's breakout wall).

- Each match consists of 6 rounds (three sets of two rounds each)
- Each round is 2 minutes maximum.
- Round ends when a team hangs the flag, or if the game clock expires.
- 30 seconds between rounds to switch sides and ready up.
- 60 seconds between sets for substitutions and reloads


## GAME SEQUENCE

- Blind Breakouts: teams start in their breakout zone, facing away from the opposing team.
- Lead Official gives both teams a pre-game ready warning.
- Lead Official starts the match with Air Horn, game clock starts.
- Round ends via flag hang or time, whichever comes first.
- Reloads and subs may occur only between sets (every two rounds)


## FLAG PLACEMENTS

Flag is placed at Center $X$ for Set 1 (Round $1 \& 2$ ) of each match. Flag placement is variable, selected by teams for subsequent sets.

Flag can be placed in the following three areas:

1. Center 50
2. Snake 50
3. Castle 50

- $\quad$ Set 1 (R1\&2): Flag placement $=$ Center 50
- Set 2 (R3\&4): Losing team after Set 1 selects flag location for Set 2 (total points)
- Set 3 (R5\&6): Losing team after Set 2 selects flag location for Set 3 (total points)

When there is a tie, the flag defaults to Center.

## SUBSTITUTIONS

- Substitutions are allowed between sets only.
- Subs must be on the team's active roster, registered for the event as team or sub.
- Penalties: It is not allowed to make substitutions for a player that is disqualified due to penalties during a match. Subs due to penalty must occur after all rounds of the match are complete.
- Injuries: if a player is injured during a match, a substitution is allowed next round. The injured player is not allowed to return for the remainder of the match.


## SPECTATORS

It is important for spectators to be quiet during live games. This is in effort to prevent players and referees from being influenced or distracted. All non-competing players and spectators must stay in the designated areas and remain quiet when the game is live.

## SCORING

## POINTS

The team with the most points after one match wins.

- Points determine the winner of each round, set and match.
- Tie breakers = Sudden death: After 6 rounds, if both teams are tied in points, then each team picks one player for 1 v 1 sudden death.
- 1 v 1 sudden death is pure gunfight, no flag, 60 sec round
- Points are earned for the following actions:

| ACTION | POINTS | NOTES |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Eliminations | 10 | Each opposing player eliminated earns 10 points |
| Flag Grab | 20 | First possession of the flag. Must occur in the first 60 seconds of <br> the round. No points earned for flag grabs after 60 seconds. |
| Flag Hang | 10 | Touching the flag to the opposing team's breakout wall |

## Round Robin Format Events:

- All 6 rounds are played, regardless of point differential


## Match Play Events (Single or Double Elimination):

- If one team wins the first 4 rounds, the last 2 rounds are not played.

Event format is determined by the total number of Teams (Regular Season Events)
Championship format is Double Elimination. Championships may include a non-elimination seeding stage before Double Elimination.

## Ranking/Standings

Match Play (Single or Double Elimination):

1. Ranking is determined by the bracket (win/loss)

During Round Robin events, teams are ranked based on the following, in order:

1. Match Wins / Losses
2. Total Points Earned

## PENALTIES

Penalties and fouls are designed for fair play.
Only the head referee can administer penalties.
Penalties will result in losing points and disqualifications.
Standard Penalties will result in points lost for the team.
Major Penalties will result in points lost, and may result in player DQ when accumulated.

## Standard Penalties / Fouls

| PENALTY | POINTS | DESCRIPTION |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| No-call | -25 | When a player does not call a hit. Intentional or unintentional. <br> Player removes themself from the game before a ref <br> physically pulls the player. This is considered a <br> standard/minor no call. |
| Late-call | -25 | When a player continues to make a play after he/she has been <br> hit, before calling him/herself out. |
| Slow exits | -25 | When an eliminated player does not exit the field quickly. <br> When an eliminated player does not use the quickest exit. |
| Off-Field <br> Communication | -25 | Any communication from team/players not in the game. |
| Dead Player <br> Communication | -25 | Any communication from eliminated players in the game. This <br> includes any communication, both verbal or physical by <br> eliminated players, from the moment they are hit. |
| Equipment / Ammo <br> Violation | -25 | When a player uses non-regulation equipment or exceeds <br> ammo limits. |
| Field Disruption | -25 | When a player significantly moves barriers during a match. |
| Blind Fire | -25 | Firing without aiming. Does not result in a blind-fire kill. |
| Unsportsmanlike <br> Behavior | -25 | Overly aggressive behavior or attitude to referees, staff, players <br> or spectators. |
| Referee Influencing | -25 | Players suggesting referees to an opponent foul, players cannot <br> communicate to refs during a match. |

Major Penalties / Fouls

| PENALTY | POINTS | ACTION/DQ | DESCRIPTION |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Headshot No-call | $-\mathbf{5 0}$ | Four major penalties will result in <br> one player DQ from the team. | No-call of direct hit on any area of the <br> head. Player is pulled. |
| Major No-call | $-\mathbf{5 0}$ | Four major penalties will result in <br> one player DQ from the team. | Multiple direct hits on any area of the <br> body. Player is pulled. |
| No-call (Ref Pull) | -25 | Four major penalties will result in <br> one player DQ from the team. | When a player does not call a hit. <br> Player does not respond to initial ref <br> signals, continues to play until the ref <br> physically pulls the player. |
| Overshooting | -25 | Opposing team gains +25 | Excessive shots to dead players after the <br> Four major penalties will result in <br> hit player has signaled being hit and/or is <br> exiting the field. Ref discretion. <br> Player is NOT pulled from the match. |
| Blind Fire Kills | -25 | Four major penalties will result in in | Blind fire that results in a kill. <br> one player DQ from the team. |
| Blind firing player is pulled from the <br> match. |  |  |  |

## ENFORCEMENT

All individual penalties are applied to the team. (No individual penalties)
Point reductions via penalties are applied to the round in which the penalty occurs.
Negative round scores due to penalties will apply to overall match scores.
Head ref will notify each team captain of any penalties before the next round starts.
Team penalties are recorded for the duration of the event.

One player is DQ'ed from a team for every FOUR major penalties/fouls.
The player who is DQ'ed is selected by the opposing team of the next scheduled round.
Once DQ'ed, the player cannot return to play in the event/stage.

NOTE: During two stage tournaments, all penalty points and DQ's earned in Stage 1 are reset. All Stage 2 teams start with 0 penalty points and no DQ's.

## ELIMINATIONS

## DEFINITION OF ELIMINATIONS

- Any bodily contact with a BB is considered a hit. Any direct hit on equipment that is in contact with your body is considered part of your body. This includes all gear, equipment, and replicas. Gun hits count.
- If opposing players shoot each other at the same time, both players are hit.
- Dry fires do not count as a hit. Ricochets do not count as a hit.
- Friendly fire counts as a hit.
- No minimum engagement distance.
- No verbal hits ("bang-bang", "surrender"), No melee kills.


## PLAYER CALLING HITS

- When a player is hit, that player must quickly and immediately exit the field towards the nearest boundary. Players must use the most direct route to exit the field.
- Players cannot verbally announce "HIT" or use any other audible signals to announce their elimination. This prevents eliminated players from communicating with their team.
- When a player is hit while carrying the flag, the flag must be dropped immediately within a reasonable radius of being hit, before exiting the field.


## EQUIPMENT

## WEAPON CLASSES

Limited Class Division: Each team is required to run the following weapon classes
(No HPA, No AEG. Gas and Spring only. GREEN tracers are required for all)

- 2 Pistols/SMG (Minimum one pistol required)
- 2 Rifle/Shotguns (Minimum one shotgun required)
- One Saiga 12 K limit per team
- One GBBR limit per team
- FPS/Joules = Must Chrono at 1.4 Joules
- Players must chrono before each event at 1.4 J
- Players will be spot checked during each event.
- Max joules during spot checks is 1.8 J
- All weapons must have a trigger guard.
- Double/extended triggers are not allowed.
- No flashlight use. (Must remove battery)


## BB's and TRACER UNITS

- Green Tracers BB's mandatory, they will be checked at the start of each match by the referees. Players will not be allowed to continue without a functioning tracer unit. Backup tracer units are recommended.
- Max BB weight is 0.30 gram BBs.


## AMMO \& MAGAZINES

Each class is limited to the following ammo/mag limits per set (2 rounds):
Pistol Class

- Gas mags only.
- No mag adapters.
- No mag limit.
- Extended mags OK


## SMG Class

- Gas mags only.
- No mag adapters.
- 4 mag limit per set.


## Shotgun Class

- Shell fed or Mag Adapter OK
- No shell limit.
- Mag Adapters: Mid caps only, 170 round max per mag. 2 mag limit per set.
- SAIGA 12K Shotguns - Limited 1 per team. 4 mag limit per set.


## Rifle Class

- Gas mags only.
- 4 mag limit per set.


## FIRING MODE

- Semi auto only. One trigger pull = One shot (no "feathering")
- Multi-finger shooting is not allowed. ("walking the trigger")
- No blind firing.


## GOGGLE/FACEMASK

- All players must be equipped with full frontal face protection, using a google system or face mask manufactured for airsoft or paintball.
- Goggles must be worn at all times in the arena, chrono area, and test firing ranges.
- Masks must be worn by all people in the playing area, no exceptions.


## CLOTHING

- All teams must be wearing the same theme/colorway/uniform/jerseys to be easily recognizable for refs and spectators.


## PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT

- Midcap magazines are restricted to 170 rounds max (Shotgun Mag adapters)
- EPM1 are not allowed ( 250 rounds max)
- No double triggers, binary triggers
- No grenade Launchers/Attachments. No thunderbee's/tornados/grenades
- No riot shields, No melee weapons
- No flashlights. No stationary strobe lights.

