

2015 Walker County Fair
Texas 42 Domino Rules

1. The 42 tournament will be held the last Friday of the fair.
2. Sign up is from 4:30-5:00 pm in the main building. Tournament begins at 5:30 pm.
3. This is a bring your partner tournament, or if available, a partner will be chosen.
4. There us a \$5.00 per person entry fee, or \$10.00 per team.
5. Trophies are awarded to the top two teams. The winning team receives a set of dominos.
6. Play will be as follows:

BIDDING: The player to the left of the shuffler begins the bidding. Draw for high domino to declare first shuffler. He or she may bid or pass (not bid). The bid rotates left (clockwise) to the next player until all have had an opportunity to bid. Each bid must be higher than the preceding bid(s).

Force bid of 30 if first 3 players pass.

The minimum bid allowed is 30. Bids higher than 41 must be in marks.

The first bid in marks can be one or two marks. Subsequent players may bid one mark more than the number previously bid. When one or more marks are bid, the high bid partners must take (win) all seven tricks. If they lose one trick, they are set, and the opposing team partners get the mark(s) they bid.

PROTOCOL: Players agree on the rules before beginning a game. The shuffler draws his dominos last. The partner of the high bidder normally gathers in the dominos at the end of each trick they take. The opposing partner team gathers their own tricks taken and keeps them separate from the other team's. The tricks are stored face up, off to the side of the playing surface. When one or more marks are bid, the dominos are stacked so only the last two tricks can be viewed (dot sides). (This makes domino tracking more dependent on players' memories.)

INDISCRETIONS: When a player plays out of turn or reneges (doesn't follow suit led when able), the hand is ended and the opposition partners get the mark(s).

Once a domino has been played, it cannot be retrieved (taken back).

Talking across the table about the hand in play is strictly prohibited.

Prearranged secret indicating and bidding signals between partners, however, are considered cheating.

Failure to follow these rules or any cheating will result in disqualification.

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