



Great Lakes Poker League Rules

- I. The 2024-2025 Season will begin on September 28th, 2024 and end on May 3rd, 2025. This season our league will play a total of eleven times. If you cannot commit to the entire schedule, you should refrain from playing in the league. All tournaments will begin at 4:00pm on the dates below.

September 28 October 19 November 16 December 07 January 11 January 25
February 08 March 08 March 22 April 12 May 03

- II. All league players must provide their legal name, email address, and phone number to Brad Everhart to aid in maintaining the scoreboard. It is also highly suggested that you join the Great Lakes Poker League Facebook group.
- III. In each tournament, players will earn points based upon their finishing position shown in the schedule. Of the eleven tournaments played, each player must drop their lowest tournament score. The annual point totals will be based on your top ten finishes.
- IV. A temporary substitute player is allowed to play in place of a league member in a maximum of three events. More substitutes may be granted by the tournament director should your circumstances warrant it. Any person may be a substitute. However, if the Commissioner or Hostess deem your substitute to be a threat to the peace of another member or for any reason for the sake of fairness, your substitute may be vetoed. It is highly encouraged you only use your substitutes in the case that there is no way you can make the event. No substitute players will be allowed to play in the last three events unless scheduled at least four months in advance. This is to prevent “ringers”. Exceptions may be made for a serious emergency as determined by league management.
- V. In a player's absence they will receive the lowest number of points possible; 40th place - 0.0 points. In the event that multiple players are absent on the same date, all absent players will receive the lowest number of points possible; 40th place -0.0 points. Ex: If three people are absent there will be three 40th places, no 39th, and no 38th place.
- VI. In the event a player is unable to finish the season they may select a permanent substitute to replace themselves. This is subject to the same veto rules that apply to temporary substitutes.
- VII. If registration has not reached its cap, players may enter the Great Lakes Poker League as late as the third date of play.
- VIII. This season will cost \$2,000. This money will be paid up front before the season begins. *If a dealer is absent the extra money will be added to that event's prize pool in the form of 5th place payout. The breakdown of these costs are available in the schedule.
- IX. Nightly payouts will be different between for events 6 - 10 than 1 – 5, culminating with the final event (11) offering massively inflated payouts. This is to encourage any player mathematically eliminated from any advancement to attend every event.

Nightly Payout for each Tournament for 40 players Events 1-5:

- The Winner shall receive \$500.00
- Second place will receive \$350.00
- Third place will receive \$250.00
- Fourth place will receive \$175.00

Nightly Payout for each Tournament for 40 players Events 6-10:

- The Winner shall receive \$750.00
- Second place will receive \$500.00
- Third place will receive \$350.00
- Fourth place will receive \$200.00

Nightly Payout for each Tournament for 40 players Event 11:

- The Winner shall receive \$1,500.00
- Second place will receive \$750.00
- Third place will receive \$500.00
- Fourth place will receive \$250.00

- X. Each player will make one payment of \$2,000. Your seat will not be reserved until your information form has been filled out and payment is received in full.
- XI. Purposeful destruction of any equipment or house may result in permanent expulsion from the league and forfeiture of any prize winnings and/or percent stake in WSOP runners. Subject to discretion by Tournament Director and Hostess.
- XII. Any player caught cheating or colluding/cooperatively playing will be expelled from the league permanently and forfeit any prize winnings and/or percent stake in WSOP runners.
- XIII. Bounties and side bets are not allowed.
- XIV. The starting chip count will be \$60,000.00 with 20-minute blinds. Breakout is outlined in the schedule.
- XV. Rules of play will follow the 2022 TDA Poker Rules as understood and interpreted by the Tournament Director Brad Everhart. Rules found here:
<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/9cw9g30fhgpf5gn/AAAJMmbSO8OqoWehZ5Z0I8LKa?dl=0>
- XVI. The leader board shall be updated within 48 hours of each tournament's finish, and can be viewed here:
greatlakespokerleague.com/standings/
- XVII. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishers will receive a paid entry into the Main Event of the 2025 World Series of Poker along with \$1,500 of travel and expense money.
- XVIII. If a League Champion cannot attend the Main Event for any reason, they may relinquish their seat to any member of the Great Lakes Poker League current season. There will be no cash given in lieu of a Main Event entry. This should only happen if you are physically unable to play the Main Event.
- XIX. In the event of an end of season tie between two finishes with different prizes; the two tied players will play a heads-up match with the same structure as the monthly events but a starting stack of \$20,000 each.
- XX. If any league champion cashes in the Main Event, they shall keep 75% of the total winnings. To receive their prize the league champions must sign a legal contract stating such. Spending money will be awarded shortly after the last event of the season. However the \$10,000 for the seat will be awarded at the WSOP tournament registration counter.
- XXI. League Champions will receive a stake in fellow champion's WSOP run.

XXII. The remaining 25% of any cash shall be divided amongst the rest of the league in the following manner:

\$10,000 Main Event Cash Payout Percentages

1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , or 4 th	2.5%
5 th	5.0%
6 th - 10 th	2.5%

XXIII. During our monthly tournaments we will have a dealer for each table. In the absence of a dealer that table will pass the deal (shuffling behind) until that table breaks.

XXIV. Tables will break in the following hierarchy: break towards the table of highest physical quality, break table with least players, break table following sequential order.

XXV. Food, water, and soda will be provided at every league night. If you wish to bring a dish or drinks to share, feel free.

XXVI. Alcoholic beverages are encouraged but you must provide your own. Soft drinks will be provided as stated above.

XXVII. Smoking will occur in the garage.

XXVIII. A bank account will be opened to hold all GLPL funds. Deposits shall be made within 48 hours of completed tournaments. The treasurer is Rochelle Everhart.

XXIX. The 2024-2025 League Commissioner and Tournament Director is Brad Everhart. Responsibilities include keeping and posting tournament scoreboard, setting up of the tournament, and making floor calls. Floor calls involving a hand in which the tournament director is involved will be voted on by all players present at the table not involved in the hand. Dealer decides tiebreaker.

XXX. Play will start promptly at 4:00pm, it is suggested that you show up 15min early. Players are permitted to arrive late, up until the first break, which should be right around 5:00pm.

XXXI. Play will resume immediately after the timed break.

- The first break will be 15 minutes long. It will occur after Level 3.
- The second break will be 15 minutes long. It will occur after Level 7.
- The third break will be 10 minutes long. It will occur after Level 11.
- The fourth break will be 10 minutes long. It will occur after Level 15.
- The fifth break will be 10 minutes long. It will occur after Level 19.
- The Sixth break will be 10 minutes long. It will occur after Level 23.

XXXII. Upon busting out of the tournament, it is EACH PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITY to sign their name on the sign-out sheet located on the wall near the stairs. If you fail to sign out and your placement cannot be empirically determined by remaining players, you may forfeit some or all points for that event.

XXXIII. Seats will be randomly assigned through computer software before the beginning of the tournament. You may not re-draw unless specially permitted by the Tournament Director. The button will start in seat one.

XXXIV. After levels eleven, fifteen, and nineteen chips will be colored up by dealers. Players should assist with this process by placing appropriate chips in stacks. It is not mandatory for the players to be present for

chipping up, but it is encouraged. If accused of an error in coloring up while a player is not present, the dealer has the final decision on validity of accusation and the rectification of the error if it valid.

XXXV. ALL PRIZE AMOUNTS AND PAYOUT STRUCTURE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UNTIL NOVEMBER 16th, 2024, BASED ON NUMBER OF LEAGUE PARTICIPANTS.

XXXVI. By signing in to play any Great Lakes Poker League season event you hereby agree in good faith to all of the above rules.

LEAGUE STAFF

League Commissioner: Brad Everhart

Responsible for league's managerial duties.

League Treasurer: Rochelle Everhart

Responsible for maintaining league bank account.

Tournament Director: Brad Everhart

Responsible for setting up tournament & responsible for floor calls.

Tournament Hostess: Rochelle Everhart

Is providing location and equipment for league events.