



PROFESSIONAL / SENIOR PROFESSIONAL DIVISIONS

Section 1

The APP Tour will have a two-tier system based on each tournament's total payout purse. Points will be awarded for matches won and players will be placed on the APP Standings List after each event has concluded.

Section 2

The following tournaments are Tier I: Atlanta Open and Tournament of Champions (TOC). A Tier I tour event will have a total purse greater than \$50,000. See chart below and click on links to obtain detailed information.

Tier I Prize Money Distribution – The Atlanta Open and TOC prize money distribution

Tournament	URL / Link	Other
TOC / Utah	https://www.pickleballtournaments.com/tournamentinfo.pl?tid=3591	Click on "Welcome"
Atlanta Open	https://www.pickleballtournaments.com/tournamentinfo.pl?tid=3361	

Section 3

The following tournaments are Tier II: Hilton Head Open, Owensboro Open, Cincinnati Open, So Cal Classic, Chicago Open, Indianapolis Open, Milwaukee Open, Las Vegas Open and Nashville Open. A Tier II tour event will have a minimal purse of \$25,000 but no greater than \$49,000. *See point chart below for Tier II point allocations.

Tier II Prize Money Distribution (based on \$25k)

Age Group	Events	Gold / Silver / Bronze	Totals
Professional	Singles (men / women)	\$1,200 / \$700 / \$350	\$4,500
	Doubles (men / women)	\$2,000 / \$1,000 / \$500	\$7,000
	Mixed	\$2,000 / \$1,000 / \$500	\$3,500
Senior Professional	Singles (men / women)	\$850 / \$550 / \$300	\$3,400
	Doubles (men / women)	\$1,150 / \$650 / \$400	\$4,400
	Mixed	\$1,150 / \$650 / \$400	\$2,200
Total purse:			\$25,000

*Minimum of six players / teams per draw to secure 100% payout of money offered for that division. If the minimum is not met per draw, tournament directors will notify players ahead of brackets drawn and review the proposed financial payout and point distribution for the modified draw.

Section 4

***POINT DISTRIBUTION:**The point distribution for *Tier I* tour events for Singles, Doubles, Mixed.

- » Winner – 600
- » Runner Up – 480
- » 3rd – 360
- » 4th – 240

*40 points awarded each main draw win (non-top four finisher)

*20 points awarded each back draw win (non-top four finisher)

Section 5

***POINT DISTRIBUTION:** The point distribution for *Tier II* tour events for Singles, Doubles, Mixed.

- » Winner – 300
- » Runner Up – 240
- » 3rd – 180
- » 4th – 120

*20 points awarded each main draw win (non-top four finisher)

*10 points awarded each back draw win (non-top four finisher)

Section 6

ELIGIBILITY: Professionals qualifying for the APP Masters Championships will need to have played and completed in five (5) tour events. Players can play unlimited events. Top 24 players qualify for singles events in their division. Top 48 players qualify for doubles events in their division. If a player qualifies for the APP Masters Championships and is not able to accept entry, then the next individual will be taken from the APP Standings List until available slots are filled. Doubles and Mixed Doubles players do not need to play with the same partner for the eleven (11) tour events. However, once the final 48 players are established on the APP Standings List, individuals must pair up for the APP Masters with another player on the acceptance list for the entire tournament for their division.* APP Standings List to be posted 48 hour after tour event is completed. Once all 48 doubles players are partnered up that have qualified for doubles / mixed, a combined rank value will be assessed for that team based on their final APP Standings List.

EXAMPLE: The Number 1 player partners with the Number 8 player. Their combined rank value will be 9. Once all 24 teams have a final rank value, the teams will be seeded 1 through 24. *Lowest rank value teams will be higher seeded for APP Masters Champions.

Section 7

APP Masters Championships October 21–25, 2020 held in Punta Gorda, Florida will be a \$40,000 Tour ending tournament offering the following financial breakdown (60/40 Split Pro vs Sr. Pro):

Age Group	Events	1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th Place	Qualifier
Professional	Singles (men / women)	\$1800 / \$1000 / \$750 / \$400	QF each \$100
	Doubles (men / women)	\$2400 / \$1350 / \$650 / \$400	QF each team \$100
	Mixed	\$2400 / \$1350 / \$650 / \$400	QF each team \$100
Senior Professional	Singles (men / women)	\$1100 / \$800 / \$550 / \$300	QF each team \$100
	Doubles (men / women)	\$1400 / \$800 / \$500 / \$300	QF each team \$100
	Mixed	\$1400 / \$800 / \$500 / \$300	QF each team \$100

Section 8

BRACKET / DRAWS APP MASTERS: All brackets that have full 24 player (singles) or 48 player (doubles) draws will play the event for their draw over two days. Note: 48 doubles players will equal a 24 team draw.

- » Day 1 will have the individuals/teams play a round robin within their seeded bracket that was determined by their year-end finish ranking on the APP Masters Standings List.
- » Day 2, the top seeds, along with each second placed individual/ team from each bracket will play in a Quarter Final Showdown. The 5-8 individual/team names will be drawn from a hat (per Tournament Director) for final quarter final pairings.
- » Matches will consist of a single game up to 15 (win by two) for the round robin play.
- » Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals will be best 2 out of 3 games up to 11 (win by two)

*If any of the professional draws have fewer than the maximum draw size, the tournament director has the right to have that division be completed in a single day tournament; all players would be notified prior to the event starting.

The following brackets will be used for all singles / doubles / mixed events with a full draw based on each individual / team current rank on the APP Standings List:

Brackets	Ranking			
	1	2	3	4
	8	7	6	5
	9	10	11	12
	16	15	14	13
	17	18	19	20
	24	23	22	21

AMATEUR DIVISIONS

Section 9

The following amateur divisions will be offered for the eleven (11) Tour events: Ages: 19+, 35+, 50+, and 60+ Skill Level: Singles 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 and 5.0 Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles: 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 and 5.0

Section 10

POINT DISTRIBUTION: The point distribution for the Tier I events Singles, Doubles, Mixed. *APP Standings List to be published 48 hours after Tour event.

- » Winner – 600
- » Runner Up – 480
- » 3rd – 360
- » 4th – 240

*40 points awarded each main draw win (non-top four finisher)

*20 points awarded each back-draw win (non-top four finisher)

Section 11

POINT DISTRIBUTION: The point distribution for the Tier II events Singles, Doubles, Mixed. *APP Standings List to be published 48 hours after tour event.

- » Winner – 300
- » Runner Up – 240
- » 3rd – 180
- » 4th – 120

*20 points awarded each main draw win (non-top four finisher)

*10 points awarded each back-draw win (non-top four finisher)

Section 12

ELIGIBILITY: Players qualifying for the APP Masters Championships will need to have played and completed in three (3) Tour events. Players can play unlimited events. Top 24 players qualify for singles events in their division. Top 48 players qualify for doubles events in their division. If a player qualifies for the APP Masters Championships and is not able to accept entry, then the next individual will be taken from the APP Standings List until available slots are filled. Doubles and Mixed Doubles players do not need to play with the same partner for the eleven (11) Tour events. However, once the final 48 players are established on the APP Standings List, individuals must pair up for the APP Masters with another player on the acceptance list for the entire tournament for their division. Once all 48 doubles players are partnered up that have qualified for doubles / mixed, a combined rank value will be assessed for that team based on their final APP Standings List.

EXAMPLE: The Number 1 player partners with the Number 8 player. Their combined rank value will be 9. Once all 24 teams have a final rank value, the teams will be seeded 1 through 24. *Lowest rank value teams will be higher seeded for APP Masters Champions.

Section 13

BRACKET / DRAWS APP MASTERS: All brackets that have full 24 (singles) or 48 (doubles) draws will play the event for their draw over two days:

- » Day 1 will have the individuals/teams play a round robin within their seeded bracket that was determined by their year-end finish ranking on the APP Masters Standings List. Matches will consist of a single game up to 15 (win by two) for the round robin play.
- » Day 2, the top seeds, along with each second placed individual/ team from each bracket will play in a Quarter Final Showdown. The 5-8 individual/team names will be drawn from a hat (per Tournament Director) for final quarter final pairings. Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals will be best 2 out of 3 games up to 11 (win by two)

*If any of the amateur draws have fewer than the maximum draw size, the tournament director has the right to have that division be completed in a single day tournament; all players would be notified prior to the event starting.

The following brackets will be used for all singles / doubles / mixed events with a full draw based on each individual / team current rank on the APP Standings List:

Brackets	Ranking			
	1	2	3	4
	8	7	6	5
	9	10	11	12
	16	15	14	13
	17	18	19	20
	24	23	22	21

Section 14

OFFICIAL BALL: TBD

Section 15

FORMAT: All Tour events and The APP Masters will be a double elimination; all players will have the ability to play for the Gold Medal match through the consolation bracket. All players are guaranteed two (2) matches.

Approved Structure of the 2020 APP Tour

*Updated November 2019

