

Pinochle



Entry Regulations:

1. Men and women compete together.
2. All ages compete together.
3. “Regular” – six rounds, four hands per round.
4. Teams must use Doubles Entry Form

Format:

Auction bidding, except once a bidder passes he/she may not bid again. Opening bid is 15 or more. If all pass, dealer takes bid for 15. Cut for deal at each new round.

Winning bidder announces trump suit and all players meld cards on the table.

Each side counts scoring cards (A, K, 10) plus 1 point for whoever takes the last trick, which is added to their meld.

If winning bidder’s total is less than his/her bid, his/her bid is subtracted from his/her score. (If this is the first hand, he/she has a negative score). Lose meld.

Four hands are played at each table, and the winning partners move, one to a higher numbered table, the other to a lower numbered table. The two losers remain, but play with a different partner.

Six rounds of four hands will complete competition.

Renege – If corrected before next trick is completed, no penalty. Otherwise, offending pair may not score points taken in play, but does not lose meld if it has previously won a trick.