Northern Ireland Darts Organisation

Members of the World Darts Federation

PLAYERS REGISTRATION FORM

I wish to apply for admission as a member of the N.I.D.O. for the 2024/2025 season.
I _____ (Print Name) hereby agree to accept and abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Northern Ireland Darts Organisation (N.I.D.O.) and my signature on this document is verification that I have read and accept all the content of the General Playing Rules and the Code of Conduct which covers:
Diversity/Equality, Playing Attire/Dress Code, Advertising, Smoking/Vaping, Drinking, Use of Drugs/Medication, Mobile Telecommunications, Players Contract, Internet and Social Media, Debt Management, Event Organisation and Data Storage.

PLAYERS INFORMATION

SURNAME		**FORENAME**	
DATE OF BIRTH		**AREA**	
E MAIL			
ADDRESS			
POSTCODE			
*Please circle YES /NO in response to the statements below			
I will represent Northern Ireland as and when required	***YES *NO**	**I have retired from all International Duty**	***YES * NO**
DATE			
PLAYER'S SIGNATURE			
OFFICIAL'S SIGNATURE			
DATE			
The NIDO Executive reserves the right to refuse entry or decline membership of the organisation to any individual or group of individuals. The individual/s may lodge an appeal to the NIDO Executive stating the reasons why they believe such a decision should be overturned. The Executive will consider this appeal and respond to the individual/s stating the grounds for their decision. This decision will be final.			

NORTHERN IRELAND DARTS ORGANISATION (N.I.D.O.)
CODE OF CONDUCT

1.00 DIVERSITY/EQUALITY

1.01 N.I.D.O. recognises and respects Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1988 and promotes equality of opportunity between persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status, sexual orientation, between men and women generally, between persons with a disability and persons without and between persons with dependents and persons without.

2.00 PLAYING ATTIRE/DRESS CODE

2.01 Players at N.I.D.O. events are only permitted to wear black, grey or navy dress trousers, shirts with collars and black, brown or grey shoes.

2.02 Players are not permitted to wear football shirts or shirts bearing football related motifs.

2.03 No headgear shall be worn without prior permission of the N.I.D.O. appointed organisers.

2.04 In all N.I.D.O. darts events the playing attire of any participating player shall be subject to N.I.D.O. approval. Any unacceptable playing attire must be changed before that player can participate in any introductions, match play on stage, interviews, or presentations.

2.05 Any player refusing to comply with N.I.D.O. playing attire/dress code shall be liable to forfeit that respective match, and shall be reported to the appropriate darts body for disciplinary proceedings to be considered.

2.06 In the event that there are any disagreements over the suitability of a player's attire, the final decision will rest with the N.I.D.O. Rules Secretary or his or her nominated deputy.

3.00 ADVERTISING

3.01 The N.I.D.O. appointed organisers reserve the rights to the use of all advertising material, slogans or logos, in connection with the promotion and the organisation of any N.I.D.O. darts event.

3.02 The N.I.D.O. appointed organisers reserve the right to protect their sponsors interests with regard to any advertising material, slogans or logos, used by any players, teams or other sponsors during an N.I.D.O. darts event.

3.03 Players and spectators at an N.I.D.O. darts event will not be permitted to wear any clothing that bears any advertising material, slogans or logos, relating to any marketable product or concern, without prior written permission of the N.I.D.O. Executive (excluding the normal branding on playing attire).

3.04 Players at an N.I.D.O. darts event are not allowed to use any playing equipment that bears any advertising material, slogans or logos relating to any marketable product or concern, without prior written permission of the N.I.D.O. Executive (excluding the normal branding on playing equipment).

3.05 Before any televised stage matches, N.I.D.O. appointed officials, including the referee, are empowered to request a player/team to withdraw, or remove any offending advertising material, slogans or logos which contravene any clause in the

N.I.D.O. playing rules, or any television advertising rules currently in force at the time of the darts event. In the event that a player/team refuses to comply with such a request then that player/team shall forfeit that match.

3.06 In the circumstance whereby a player/team introduces onto stage, any advertising material, slogans or logos which contravenes any clause in the N.I.D.O. playing rules, or any television advertising rules currently in force at the time of the darts event, then that player/team shall forfeit the match.

4.00 SMOKING/VAPING

4.01 No smoking/vaping shall be permitted for any player/match official whilst engaged in a match played on stage that is being covered by television/live stream

4.02 No smoking/vaping shall be permitted by any player/match official whilst engaged in the televised/streamed introductions to matchplay, during any televised/streamed interviews either on or off stage, and during presentation ceremonies made on the stage.

4.03 Any player/match official found to be in breach of the above shall be liable to forfeit that respective match or liable to sanction, and shall be reported to the appropriate darts body for disciplinary proceedings to be considered.

4.04 The N.I.D.O. or any of its subsidiaries reserves the right to prohibit smoking/vaping in any other matches under its jurisdiction, if it is considered to be in the best interests of the promotion of the sport of darts.

5.00 DRINKING

5.01 No alcoholic drinks shall be allowed to be consumed or introduced into the area covered by television, by any player/match official whilst engaged in a match played on stage, that is being covered by television. This also includes during televised introductions to matchplay, during any televised interviews either on or off the stage and during presentation ceremonies made on the stage.

5.02 Any player/match official found to be in breach of 8.01 above shall be liable to forfeit that respective match and reported to the appropriate darts body for disciplinary proceedings to be considered.

5.03 The N.I.D.O. shall reserve the right to prohibit the consumption of alcoholic drinks in any other matches under its jurisdiction, if it is considered to be in the best interest of the promotion of the sport of darts.

6.00 USE OF DRUGS/MEDICATION

6.01 The N.I.D.O. will not tolerate the use of recreational drugs, by its members, at the venue or during any N.I.D.O. events. Any N.I.D.O. member found to have breached this will automatically be disqualified from that event, suspended and referred for processing through the disciplinary procedure.

6.02 This does not apply to prescribed medications for pre-existing medical conditions or simple over the counter medication.

7.00 MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

7.01 No player/match official is permitted to use a mobile phone whilst engaged in matchplay.

7.02 Players/match officials should switch phones to “silent” / “vibration” only or “off” whilst engaged in matchplay.

8.00 PLAYERS CONTRACT

8.01 All players selected to represent Northern Ireland must be prepared to sign a Player’s Contract. This applies to Male, Female and Youth Boys and Girls. Anyone who does not comply with this will forfeit their place in the team and may be subject to further sanction in line with N.I.D.O. Policies and Procedures.

9.00 INTERNET AND SOCIAL MEDIA

9.01 No player/match official is permitted to access the internet/social media sites whilst engaged in matchplay.

9.02 N.I.D.O. operates a zero-tolerance policy with regard to any form of cyber bullying by, or aimed at any member of the N.I.D.O. or any other darts organisation.

9.03 Any member of the N.I.D.O. found to be responsible for bringing the sport of darts into disrepute by posting inappropriate messages/statements on the internet or social media sites, shall be investigated under the Disciplinary Procedure.

9.04 Any discussion of what could realistically be described as N.I.D.O. internal business over open forums on the internet or on social media sites, will be viewed as a breach of confidentiality and/or bringing the sport of darts into disrepute under the Disciplinary Procedure. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS IN RESPECT OF THE RULES GOVERNING INTERNET AND SOCIAL MEDIA.**

10.00 DEBT MANAGEMENT

10.01 The N.I.D.O. reserves the right to “debt suspend” any player/team/playing member/official or member area or member darts organisation from any, or all N.I.D.O. darts events until such time as all outstanding debts have been cleared.

10.02 Areas/Members whose annual subscription, any fees or fines due, are in arrears will not be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting or Area Representatives meetings.

10.03 The N.I.D.O. Executive will adjudicate upon each case based on its individual merits

11.00 EVENTS ORGANISATION

11.01 No member or Area is permitted to organise tournaments or competitions for the same day as an N.I.D.O. organised event, without the express permission of the N.I.D.O. Executive.

11.02 No member or Area is permitted to play in any tournament/competition, the date of which clashes with an N.I.D.O. organised event. The exception being that if a member has competed in an N.I.D.O. event and wishes to participate in a further event later that same day. On receipt of written representation from the individual seeking permission for a waiver on this rule, the Executive will consider any request made on an individual basis and their decision will be final.

11.03 Any breaches of 11.01 or 11.02 above will result in an immediate suspension of that member/Area Team, and disciplinary proceedings will be commenced.

11.0 DATA STORAGE

12.01 I have read and agree that my personal data may be stored and accessed as per the N.I.D.O. GDPR Policy.

12.02 I acknowledge that it is my personal responsibility to inform the N.I.D.O. of any changes to that personal data

ACCEPTANCE OF RULES/CODE OF CONDUCT- SIGNATURES

PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	AREA	DATE