

CHAPTER V - CHARITY

D. UNITS AND DISTRICTS

Sanction Fees and Masterpoint Awards for Unit and District Sponsored Charity Games (732-63) (003-105) (011-17)

Each Unit is entitled to hold **four** charity events annually. The first **and third, if any,** event must be for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBL Charity Fund. The second **and fourth, if any** event may be for the ACBL Charity Foundation or, the CBF Charitable Fund or for a local beneficiary. For the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund, the events may be one or two sessions. For a local beneficiary, the event may be two sessions only if the first event for the ACBL Charity Foundation or for the CBF Charitable Fund was two sessions. In addition, Units and Districts may conduct a charity event (of one or two sessions) in conjunction with each Sectional or Regional Tournament.

All Unit or District Charity events held for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund shall carry Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the appropriate foundation of **\$1.50** per player per session. Unit sponsored charity games held for a local beneficiary, when held at a Sectional tournament, shall carry awards of **100%** of Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the local charity of **\$1.40** per player per session. Unit or District sponsored charity games held for a local beneficiary, when held at a Regional tournament, shall carry awards of 100% of Regional rating, and require a minimum payment to the local charity of \$1.50 per player per session. **All other Unit or District sponsored Charity events held for a local beneficiary shall carry awards of 100% of Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the local charity of \$1.20 per player per session and a sanction fee of \$1.20 per table per session to the ACBL.** Each Unit/District shall be permitted to charge whatever entry fee it believes will cover its costs, plus a satisfactory overage.

Events held at Sectional and Regional tournaments to benefit charity are not excluded from the appropriate per table sanction fee.

Equal Basis for Unit Charity Events Held for Local Charities and Those Held for League Charity Foundation (751-111)

The request of the Board of Governors to allow Units to run charity games for local charities (IRS-approved), selected by the Unit, on an equal basis with charity games held for ACBL Charity Foundation with respect to masterpoint awards, is approved. Effective as soon as it can be properly implemented by Management, but before the next meeting of the Board of Directors. (This item was approved by the Charity Committee at the 1974 Fall Meeting.)

Districtwide Charity Games (761-2)

Each District is granted an annual one session sectionally- rated District-Wide charity game to be held at multiple sites on the same date. Master Point awards will be based on the number of tables in play at each site and participants shall contribute a minimum of \$1.50 to either the ACBL Charity Foundation or the Canadian Charitable Fund. All games must start at approximately the same time. Hand records and analyses will be provided free of charge. Effective immediately.

District Charity Program (823-66)

Management shall review the current method of recording Charity contributions in each District for the purpose of recognition and credit in comparison to other Districts. All contributions to Charity resulting from club, Unit or District efforts and whether turned over to the ACBL Charity Foundation, the Canadian Charity Trust or to a local qualified Charity, shall be reported to League Headquarters. This includes monies raised through direct contributions (memorials, for example), special fund-raising promotions, entry fees at sanctioned games, etc. Effective as soon as can be implemented by Management.

Charity Games at Sectionals and Regionals (831-68)

In addition to the current regulations for sanction-free Charity games at Sectionals and Regionals, at the option of the Sponsoring Organization, midnight and/or morning games may be designated Charity games and will receive Sectional rating provided appropriate sanction fees are paid the ACBL; and the appropriate Charity Foundation, or tax exempt local charity, receives at least \$6.00 per table. Effective as soon as can be implemented by Management.

District-Wide Charity Games (893-85)

Districts are allowed to hold charity games under the same rules and regulations as Units.

District Charity Week (913-31)

Effective January 1, 1992, each District may conduct an Annual District Charity Week and/or District-wide Charity Game.

Unit Special Games (012-133)

Each ACBL-sanctioned Unit will be allowed during Junior Month in February to hold one Sectional-rated game to benefit the Junior Fund, and a Unit will be allowed to hold one Sectional-rated Charity/International Fund game during each ACBL Charity/International Fund week, provided either that the Unit is sanctioned to hold a game on the date and session requested, or that there are no clubs within a 25 mile radius of the Unit game site that regularly hold a game on the date and session requested.

Charity Game Fees (041-141)

2. The ACBL Board is requested to increase District/Unit Charity table fees an additional \$1.00 per table.

District/Unit Charity table fees will go from \$6.00 to \$7.00 U.S., and equivalent amount in Canadian.