

# **Solitaire Coaches Points Challenge**

## **Official Rules and Regulations**

### **Season 4**

The Solitaire Coaches Points Challenge (SCPC) is a points-based ranking system developed by the SCPC Rules Committee by which teams owned and coached by solitaire players of miniature electronic football may register their solitaire league and team game results into a national data base and earn points towards becoming the SCPC “National Champion”.

#### **1. SCPC Rules Committee**

The Rules Committee shall be comprised of a select number of individuals who play miniature electronic football in a solitaire format. Currently this committee is made up of 4 members. The number of members of the Rules committee may be added to or subtracted from as deemed necessary by the Commissioner and Rules Committee Chairman. One member of the Rules Committee will serve as Commissioner of the SCPC and one will serve as Chairman of the Rules Committee. These selections should be mutually agreed upon by all members of the Rules Committee. Duties of the Rules Committee will be to monitor participation, review and recommend changes to the Rules and Regulations annually and aid and assist the Commissioner and Rules Committee Chairman in the operation and promotion of the SCPC.

#### **2. Office of the Commissioner**

The Commissioner of the SCPC shall be a member of the SCPC Rules Committee. Duties of the Commissioner will be to oversee the overall operation of the SCPC, appoint members of the SCPC Rules Committee and moderate meetings of the SCPC Rules Committee. The Commissioner will make rulings regarding questions and interpretations of the SCPC Rules and Regulations.

#### **3. Participation**

To participate in the SCPC, solitaire owners/coaches may register any number of leagues and teams used in their solitaire play. Registration is completed by going to the Miniature Football Coaches Association website ([www.miniaturefootball.org](http://www.miniaturefootball.org)) and accessing the SCPC Season III web page (<http://miniaturefootball.org/scpc/scpc-season-iii/>) by first creating an account, by adding leagues and teams and then entering game information. With an SCPC account an owner/coach has the ability to add and delete leagues, teams, game results and view the SCPC Total Rank. Through the SCPC Total Rank page on the MFCA SCPC main page, coaches are able to view and review the league, team information and game results of other owners/coaches and to track their progress in the SCPC Rankings.

#### **4. Divisions**

Through information gathered by the Rules committee, it has been determined that solitaire play is conducted in several distinct styles and use of certain equipment. Using this information we have established the following divisions:

Division 1 - Box Stock: Players, figure and base, are used “as is out of the box”. No weight may be added or removed. Minimal or no base tweaking may be done. Small details may be added such as face mask and / or chin straps that do not significantly add weight to the figure.

Division 2 - 3.3g Inclusive: Players, figure and base, may weigh up to 3.3 grams. Heavy tweaking for speed, strength and / or direction is allowed.

Division 3 - 4.0g Inclusive: Players, figure and base, may weigh up to 4.0 grams. Heavy tweaking for speed, strength, and / or direction is allowed.

Division 4 - Unlimited: Players, figure and base, have no weight or tweaking limits.

During the team registration process coaches will be asked to assign their teams to one of the above divisions. Please contact the Commissioner or a member of the SCPC Rules Committee if you are unsure which division to assign a team to.

## **5. The SCPC Points System**

The following point system has been established and will be used to rank teams according to the number of games played, offensive and defensive performance, game scenario, and strength of schedule. Teams will be ranked based upon total SCPC points earned.

### **1. Games Played**

1 point awarded for each game played (up to a maximum of 10 games). The first ten game results reported for each team will be counted. Teams may play, and report, more than ten games. Additional games over the ten game maximum will be reflected in the teams' win/loss record, but no points will be earned for regular season games beyond the tenth.

### **2. Offensive and Defensive performance**

Offensive points scored

0 - 3 0 points

4 - 10 1 point

11 - 17 2 points

18 - 24 3 points

25 + 4 points

Defensive points allowed

25 + 0 points

24 - 18 1 point

17 - 11 2 points

10 - 4 3 points

0 - 3 4 points

### **3. Game Scenario Bonus Points (GSBP)**

- The winning team receives bonus points based on the following game scenario criteria:
- The winning team and losing team are owned by the same person and coached by their owner = 0 points
- The winning team and losing team are owned by the same person but someone else coached the game = 1 point
- The winning team and losing team have different owners and the winning team's owner coached the game = 2 points
- The winning team and losing team have different owners and the game was coached by someone else = 3 points
- The winning team and losing team have different owners and the game was coached by the losing team's owner = 4 points

### **4. Strength of Schedule**

#### **A. Division Bonus Points (DBP)**

Teams playing and defeating teams in a higher division will receive Division Bonus points based as follows:

- Box Stock team defeats a 3.3g Inclusive team = 1 points
- Box Stock team defeats a 4.0g Inclusive team = 2 points
- Box Stock team defeats an Unlimited team = 3 points
- 3.3g Inclusive team defeats a 4.0g Inclusive team = 1 points
- 3.3g Inclusive team defeats an Unlimited team = 2 points
- 4.0g Inclusive teams defeats a Unlimited team = 1 points

Teams playing and defeating teams in the same or a lower division do not receive Division Bonus Points.

#### **B. Quality Win Bonus Points (QWBP)**

Teams will be awarded 2 points for every win that an opponent they defeated wins during the season.

## **5. SCPC Regular Season and Post Season**

### **A. Regular Season**

Season 4 of the Solitaire Coaches Points Challenge will begin September 1, 2015 and end on June 30, 2016. Qualifying games must be played during this time period and game result information entered on or before June 30, 2016. It is recommended that game information be entered as soon as possible after the completion of a qualifying game to allow the Rules Committee adequate time to update the data base and to give participating coaches the opportunity to follow the progress of their teams throughout the season.

### **B. Post Season**

On July 4th, following the completion of each season, final point totals will be posted. The top team in each division will be announced and given the first opportunity to participate in one of four post season bowl games, the Solitaire Coaches Bowl Championship Series (SCBSC). Teams that have completed and won 6 or more games are eligible to participate in one of the four SCBSC bowl games or a non SCBSC bowl game as arranged by their owner. Being bowl eligible does not guarantee a bowl bid. SCBSC Bowl Game participants will be selected by the SCPC Rules Committee and matched up in such a manner to promote the most fair, evenly matched, competitive and entertaining games as possible and such that they have the potential to effect the final rankings. Location, rule set to be used, and the actual coaches for each SCBSC game must be mutually agreed upon and approved by the SCPC Rules Committee.

Bowl Games must be played in the month leading up to or at the Annual MFCA Convention in August of each year. Bowl game results should be reported following the same process as used for reporting regular season game results. Teams playing in a bowl game will have an eleventh game counted for scoring and rankings purposes. All bowl games will be scored using the SCPC Points system. Upon completion of all bowl games, rankings will be recalculated and the number one team will be named the SCPC Champion.

## **6. Sponsorship**

It is the desire of the SCPC Rules Committee to have sponsorship for its SCBCS Bowl Games. Any company or person wishing to sponsor a Bowl Game should contact the SCPC Commissioner or Rules Committee. Sponsorship may include but not be limited to providing a bowl game trophy and/or other prizes approved by the SCPC Rules Committee.

## **7. Code of Conduct**

It is the goal of the SCPC to provide a competitive, fun and entertaining form of participation for those individual persons who classify themselves as "Solitaire Coaches". Any person or persons found to be or suspected of conspiring to enter false information in regards to SCPC game information and participation will be subject to actions of "unsportsmanlike conduct" and will result in the forfeiture of all games entered in the SCPC data base and cancellation of future participation in the SCPC.

### **Amendment 1. Rollover Rule**

Owner/Coach's who have teams that did not complete more than 10 games in a season have the option to "rollover" games to the next subsequent season. This will allow Owner/Coach's with a larger number of teams to complete a full "ten game season" for their teams over the period of more than one "SCPC Season". It is up to each individual Owner/Coach to update and maintain his/her SCPC account and insure that all information is correct and up-to-date.

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