

# BONES FOR THE BROTHERHOOD

## TOURNAMENT RULES:

**DOUBLE ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT:** Lose **2 matches** and your team is out of the tournament.

Teams will play as many games as it takes to accumulate 150 points. The first team to reach 150 points or higher, wins the match.

## HOW TO PLAY THE GAME:

Number of players: **4 people** (Four people - Two teams of 2 persons each).

Type of Dominoes (BONES) used: Double 9

- To start the match, the dominoes (BONES) will be shuffled and each team will pick 1 domino; the team with the highest domino will start the game. The 2 chosen dominoes will be placed back in the pile and the dominoes will be reshuffled.
- Each player will pick 10 dominoes and the rest will be set aside. Either player from the team that picked the highest domino can start the game.
- Once the first domino is put in play, the rotation will be counter clock wise.
- Only the "open" ends of a layout are open for play. An end is open when it has no other tile connected to it. A double is placed cross-ways in the layout, straddling the end of the tile that it is connected to.
- At any time, due to space constraints or mere whim, a tile may be connected at a right-angle, creating an "L" in the layout.
- If someone cannot make a move, a player must "pass."
- The team to have one of its members get rid of all the dominoes first, wins the game. Once the game is over, the dominoes that remain in the opposite teams hands will be totaled and that is how the scoring will be calculated. In the event that all 4 players still have dominoes in their hands and no one is able to play a domino, then all players will show their remaining dominoes. The dominoes will be totaled for each player and the player with the lowest count will win that game for his team. The other teams total will be used towards reaching the 150 mark.
- The team that wins the game, will be the team to start the following game.
- When all 4 players pick their 10 dominoes, if a player has five doubles in his hand, he/she can elect to play or lay that hand down. If the player elects to lay that hand down, then all the dominoes are reshuffled and every one gets a new hand. If the player that lays down his hand of five doubles was part of the team that was supposed to start the game, that team loses the privilege to go out first.