

USER MANUAL

GO SHUFFLEBOARD

This manual is first and foremost made for what we call “Location admins”. These users have the possibility to create and host tournaments at the location they are assigned to.

Overview

There are 3 different user types in Go Shuffleboard. Here follows a quick overview:

PLAYERS

- Can challenge other players to a match
- Can choose “I just won a game” and select who they won against

LOCATION ADMINS

- Can update one (1) specific location (address, image, name)
- Can create, edit and host tournaments at specific location
- Can upgrade other regular players to become location admins of same location
- Can export user data for players that has set specific location as “Home field”
- Can send messages to selected players or all players that has set specific location as “Home field”

SUPER ADMINS

- Super admins can administrate, edit and delete all aspects and elements in the app. Super admins are key employees of European Shuffleboard.

My Location

Here you can administrate and edit the details of your location.

Click “Edit” at the right side of the location name to edit the location details. Start entering the address and click it when it displays the correct one – this will fill in the grey fields. The addresses are collected from Google maps and are directly linked to the GPS-map under “Where to play” in the App.

NOTE: You can only administrate one (1) location per user. “Add new location” will not work when clicking “Add location” in edit mode if you already are administrating a location.

NOTE: When editing address, it’s important that you double check that it’s the correct address that are shown in the grey fields. As these are used in the filter process to browse locations. E.g. Make sure that city is in correct language.

TIP: Remember to add an image for your location!

Tournaments

GAME TYPES

As a Location admin you can either choose Regular matches (TW: 1) or Local events (TW: 1.5). The difference is that "Local events" will give extra "weight" to the ranking effect on each match. If a match in "Regular matches" would give you +6, it would give you +9 in a "Local events" tournament. TW = Tournament Weight.

TOURNAMENT TYPES

Before creating a tournament, you should have a clear picture of what kind of tournament you want to host and create. Below is a short overview of the different tournament types:

GROUP GAME W/ ELIMINATION CUP

This game type starts with a group tournament where a set number of qualifying places from each group proceeds to an elimination cup. This game type is equal to for example the World Cup in football.

The following can be edited by the location admin when setting up the tournament:

Select number of groups: Choose how many groups depending on number of participants. A suggestion can be 4 players in each group.

Number of matches against each team in group: This can be set higher than one if you want to lengthen the tournament and guarantee a higher number of minimum matches for the participants.

Qualifying places from each group: This selects how many players from each group proceeds to the elimination cup. E.g. If "2" is set here, the top 2 players from each group goes through to the knock out stage of the competition when all matches have been played in the group stage.

Knock out stage: Here you select if you want the cup-part of the competition to be single or double elimination. See description below.

SINGLE ELIMINATION CUP

This game type is a regular cup where you as a player must win to proceed in the cup. One loss and you are out! The app automatically sets up a bracket and also fixes any issues with odd numbers of participants by random assigning starting walk overs.

DOUBLE ELIMINATION CUP

Much like single elimination cup, but with a second chance for a comeback. When a player lose for the first time they are placed in a second bracket where they will meet other players that has lost 1 game. If a player lose a second time he/she is eliminated from the tournament for good.

NOTE: If a player loses his/her first game of the tournament in the final – it will be a second final game. All players will be able to lose 1 game in "double elimination cup", even if it's in the final.

Single elimination cup – doubles (two players per team)

Same as Single elimination cup except there are two players per team.

Double elimination cup – doubles (two players per team)

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Create tournament

HOW TO CREATE A TOURNAMENT:

- Tournament -> Create Tournament
- Fill in fields and options to your liking (The system will alert you if it needs more information based on the tournament choices you make).
- When the all required fields are filled in and the tournament is saved it will instantly be visible for users that has your location set as "Home field"

INVITE PLAYERS

When the tournament has been created it is time to invite players to participate. The key element to this is using the URL-address for the tournament. This can be found either by "Edit" the tournament and copy it from the bottom of the "GENERAL" tab or it can be copied by clicking the link "Copy Url" under Tournament -> Manage Tournament. It will look something like this: <http://go.europeanshuffleboard.com/Home/TournamentDetails/1641>

You use this address when inviting players to the tournament. You can do this any way you see fit of course, Facebook, billboards etc. But you can also communicate to players that has registered your location as "Home field" in one of two ways.

1. Send a message to players through the App

By choosing "Players at my location" in the menu, you can either send a message to an individual, select the players you want to communicate to and click "Send multiple message" or click the link "Send message all" – depending on what you want to do. This will then let you enter a simple text that will be sent to the players registered email addresses.

2. Export emails

You can also export all emails by also going to "Players at my location" and then click "Export" (this must be done on a PC/ MAC). And the use these emails to invite players using other applications.

NOTE: Using method 1 will NOT send message to those players that has opted out of receiving emails/ messages on their profile. Method 2 will export all emails – so be careful not to "overuse" this as a communication form.

Open for Registration: You can manually close the tournament so no more participants can register. This can be done at Tournament -> Manage Tournament -> Edit -> Advanced.

Run tournament

Its tournament day! The default setting for tournaments is that you as one of the location admins should attend and organize the tournament as it progresses.

Starting the tournaments

For **single or double elimination cup**, you can just click "Start tournament" when ready, to get the tournament under way.

Before starting a "**Group game w/ elimination cup**" tournament, you must first draw the registered participants into groups.

1. Go to Tournament -> Manage tournament -> Edit -> GROUP/ KNOCK OUT
2. Click "Draw/ Redraw groups" (until you are happy with the draw)
3. Go to Tournament -> Manage tournament -> View
4. Click Start Tournament

NOTE: You can also just click “Start Tournament” directly. The system will then draw groups and start the tournament without you being able to redraw the groups.

You **decide match winners** by viewing the tournament in the app and choosing the “BRACKET” view. Click on the matches to determine the winners.

NOTE: When choosing winners in Group stage you must enter the actual scores. This because the system uses the point difference to separate players that end up with the same number of points.

NOTE: IF you have made a mistake in the tournament, you can correct it later. But please note that you must go back and reset match by match.

End tournament: The tournament automatically ends when all matches has been played. You can also end a tournament at any time by going to Tournament -> Manage Tournament -> Edit -> End tournament (bottom left). It's important that all tournaments are ended when no more matches are to be played (this can happen due not enough time to finish the tournament for example).

Delete tournament: If you for example just want to test-create a tournament, you can delete it afterwards by going to Tournament -> Manage Tournament -> Edit -> Delete tournament (bottom right).

Players at my location

This contains all the players that has chosen your location as “Home field”. Note that this can fluctuate quite a bit as players are free to switch home fields whenever they want. On this page, you can communicate with players or export the names and email addresses.

RANKING

The ranking system is the core feature of the app. All players start out with 1000 ranking points and the higher your score, the higher you are ranked. Your points are affected when playing other players either with single matches registered with the “I just won a game” button or by participating in tournaments.

Your ranking place is displayed both for the location you have chosen as “Home field” (LOCATION) and how you are ranked among all players registered in the app (GLOBAL).

The ranking system is designed to award you more if you beat a higher ranked player than yourself and less if you beat a player that are ranked below you. If you want to read more about this and find out exactly how it works – please read “TheRankingSystem.pdf”.

GAMES & CHALLENGES

This menu element is visible for all and contains no special functionality for “Location admins”. Here a player can choose to either challenge another player or register a win.

I just won a game

Here you can find and select another registered player to register a win. After selecting a player, the system will update the ranking and send a notification to the player that lost informing them that you have registered a win and also give them the option to contest this win. If the losing player contests the win, you will be notified of this and the ranking adjustments will be reverted.

If a player register wins that are contested too often, he/ she will be automatically banned.

I challenge

By clicking “I challenge” you can find and select another player for which you can write a personal challenge message. This player will then get a notification and an email containing your challenge and will also see your email address so they can reply if they want to.