

# 2025 **Tak League - Season 5**Information Sheet

Welcome to the Tak League! The idea of the league is to have an opportunity for people to play a little tak on a regular basis, rather than only in intense bursts at tournaments.

The league is FREE and open to all.

<u>Sign up here</u>. Registration is open until Saturday, September 13th, 2025. The season will start a few days after registration closes.

All communication regarding the League, including scheduling games, will be on the Tak Talk Discord in the #tak\_league channel.

## Structure:

Participants will be divided into divisions as follows:

- Season 4 participants will play in the same division, except that players who finished in promotion spots will move up a division and players in relegation spots will move down a division.
- Anyone who did not participate in Season 3 will be placed as follows:
  - If the are in the top 10 by <u>Active Tournament Rating</u> they play in Division 2
  - Otherwise they will play in Division 3
- If the particulars of who signs up makes the above unworkable, necessary modifications will be made. This includes creation of more divisions if needed.

Within each division, a double round robin will be played (i.e. everyone plays everyone else with both colors).

# **Scheduling:**

The expected rate of play will be one game every two weeks. Each game will have a deadline, and the expectation is that the game is played by this deadline. If the game is not played before the deadline it must be scheduled for a time and date prior to the expected end of the season, and the scheduled time must be sent to the tournament director (archvenison) prior to the deadline. On the day after the deadline, any unplayed and unscheduled games will be scored as mutual losses, unless one of the players claims a win by forfeit as described below. A mutual loss cannot be undone, barring extreme circumstances (e.g. medical emergency or natural disaster).

If your opponent does not show up at a scheduled time, you may claim a win by forfeit. If you make substantial effort to schedule a game and your opponent doesn't, you may claim a win by forfeit. In both of these cases, it is your responsibility to contact the tournament director with evidence (otherwise the game will be scored as a mutual loss).

Note that all pairings will be produced at the start of the tournament, and you are encouraged to play your games early.

## **Prizes**:

Fame and glory. Also promotion and the avoidance of relegation.

# Rules:

Standard Rules are used except where modified below:

- Games are to be played on playtak.com with a 6×6 board and 2 komi
- The time control is TBD, but will be <1 hour games
- Colors for games determined by pairings
- Ties will be broken by season starting rank, which is determined by:
  - 1. Season 4 ranking
  - 2. Tournament rating

**USTA Tournament Default Policies apply.**