A LEADSLLC bracket is an automated bracket. Teams are automatically promoted throughout the bracket simply by entering a W or L for the first team listed in the match. The bracket also automates the management of the Field of Play. This ensures the most efficient management of tournament possible.

Each of these LEADSLLC brackets are good for a certain number of teams or contestants (5-8; 9-16; 17-32, 33-64, etc.). Brackets are labeled with the highest number of teams they can accommodate. You can push a seeded or random list to the bracket. It is a double elimination bracket that is automated to the extent that you will only type the names of the teams or players once. Data entry is minimized for your convenience. Additionally, it is a non-regional tournament. This means that to the extent possible losers are placed in the Losers Bracket such that they will not play the Winner that put them there until late in the tournament. A regional bracket it would keep players within their region cluster of 4 or 8 teams. In a regional bracket it would be very likely to play the same team twice relatively early in the tournament.

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Double Elimination Brackets

## INTRODUCTION

HINT: We've seen differences in the way losers are transferred to the losers bracket. We believe we've adapted the most common methodology. Be careful if you've printed a bracket from another source. Validate that the Loser Bracket match position L-code (L13 - Loser of Match 13 goes in this position) matches the LEADS Bracket.



#### Setup.

This bracket is good for 9 to 16 teams. This ensures that at least one match is necessary in the first round. This bracket is dual purpose as it will support Seeded and Unseeded tournaments.

#### Note: Light blue cells indicate data entry fields.

- Enter the team names in the "Team Name" area.
- If it is a seeded tournament, enter the appropriate seed value for each team in the "Seed" Column.
- Enter the type of Field of Play (FOP) (i.e. Table, Board, Diamond, etc.)
- Enter the number of FOPs/match. Ex. Some team pool tournaments use two tables per match.
- Enter how many FOPs will be used for the tournament.
- Unlock the three locks. These locks are there to ensure that the tounament manager doesn't accidentally resubmit teams to the bracket once the tournament begins. Also, hitting the Lock 1, Lock 2 and Lock 3 buttons recalculates the random numbers used to push the unseeded random list of teams to the bracket.
- Hit the "Seeded" button at the top of the sheet to send a seeded list of teams to the bracket.
- Hit the "Unseeded" button to send a random listing of the teams to the bracket.
- Hit the "Bracket" button to go to the Bracket.



#### Bracket.

- For each match, enter the Field of Play number at the beginning of the match.
- Match times are optional. They can be deleted or used for scheduling.
- At the end of each match enter "W" or "L" in the light blue cell for the first team listed. Did that first team listed in the bracket Win or Lose? The "W" or "L" will populate for the other team and both teams will be promoted to their next game automatically.



### FOPM (Field of Play Management)

The Field of Play (FOP) is the pool table, dart board, softball diamond or cricket uuhh... whatever they play the game on, etc. Managing even the simplest configuration of number of FOPs and how to maximize time utilization by not having an FOP or set of FOPs matchless can be difficult. This bracket workbook solve that problem by providing a FOP Management (FOPM) solution. After going through the Setup process hit the FOPM button to use this feature. There are only two data entry fields (columns); the FOP number on the left and the match Win/Loss (WL) on the right. Both of the data entry cells are highlighted with the familiar light blue which signifies user data entry. The FOPM provides interaction and feedback on both the Bracket and the FOPM pages.

#### More on FOPM

- On the Bracket. Each match is coded to clearly depict its state (see figure above).
  - The green "C" indicates a Completed match. Once a "W" or "L" is entered, the match state code will become "C" with a green background.
  - The yellow "P" means the match is currently Playing. Once an FOP number is assigned, with both teams assigned to the match, the match state code will turn yellow with a P in it.
  - The red "W" means the match is ready to be played and the teams are Waiting for an available FOP.
  - The white "U" in the black background is a match that is Undetermined. If either one of the team are undecided the match is undetermined.

#### • On FOPM

- Using the navigation button labeled FOPM on the left of any page recalculates the FOP status.
- In the example to the right, out of the 10 FOPs being used for this tournament, FOP 1 and FOP 7 are in Play or Playing and are unavailable. FOPs 2-6 and 8-10 are Available for use.
- Below the FOP field are two charts
- On the left are matches waiting to be assigned an FOP or set of FOPs.
- On the right are matches that are playing
- You can enter an FOP number in the light blue field in Column B. In Column Al you can also enter "W" or "L" for the first listed team. In the below example read left to right as "Team No. 11 "W"on or "L"ost against Team No. 1.
- After assigning the FOPs and entering W/L for the matches on the right, hit the "FOP / W/L" button.
- You can manage the entire tournament from this page without ever looking at the bracket.



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