

10 Commandments of Scorekeeping

1. Scorekeepers Shall Not talk while keeping score!
2. Scorekeepers Shall Not move about while keeping score, stand still!
3. Scorekeepers Shall Not look at the shooter, stand facing the board!
4. Scorekeepers Shall Not call out a score, of one dart or all three-- unless the shooter asks you!
5. Scorekeepers Shall Not tell a shooter what to shoot or what combination to shoot for an out!
6. Scorekeepers Shall Not change a score unless it is brought to the attention of both shooters (teams).
7. Scorekeepers Shall Not change a score - regardless - if that player (team) has shot again and a second score written down. An error in a shooter's score **MUST** be corrected before he (team) shoots again or it stands.
8. Scorekeepers Shall Not lean out to see where a dart is or is going nor shall he follow the darts with body or head movement!
9. Scorekeepers Shall Not show any sign of disgust or excitement while at the scoreboard!
10. Scorekeepers Shall Not change the side of the score sheet of the player in three leg matches; if you start a player on the left side of the score sheet, continue to keep his score on the left-regardless of what the bull shots are.

These 10 Commandments were originally written by Sarah Parsons in the 1970's and have been reprinted countless times in dart magazines, dart league newsletters, and tournament programs.