

Bert's Foot Pool Rules

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1. GAME:

- a. Each Season consists of 18 pick'em sheets defined as 'weeks'
 - i. The 'week' in the BFP Pick'em may or may not line up with the current NCAA week number.
- b. 15 'weeks' define the regular season and ends with championship weekend.
- c. 3 'weeks' define the bowl season. The winner of bowl season is crowned 'Bowl Master'
- d. The Winner of all 18 weeks is our Season Champion
- e. A handful of games not used for bowl season will be used for tie breakers.
- f. ARMY vs NAVY maybe included in Championship weekend, bowl master week 1 or the tie breakers depending on how compelling the game seems on any given year

2. Pick'em:

- a. Each Pick'em sheet consists of 11 mandatory games and one optional bonus game.
- b. BFP Admin, at their discretion will select the 12 games for the current week's pick'em
- c. BFP will normally release the current week's pickem on Tuesdays once the initial betting lines are released for the week, normally the Ov/Un lines lag the longest.
 - i. BFP reserves the right to notify the players not less than 24 hours before scheduled kickoff of the game and the official betting odds to be used due to extenuating circumstances.
 - ii. In the event of unforeseen circumstances (WEATHER, natural disasters, boycotts, walkouts, accidents etc) BFP may add contingency games to the pick'em sheet or replace games on short notice (less than 24 hours). BFP will send emails as quickly as possible to alert players.
 - iii. Players may at any time petition for games to be added prior to the pick'em release
- d. In the 11 mandatory games, the player must guess the score of each team straight up.
- e. The 12th optional game is an Ov/Un game, where the player can guess that the total additive score of both teams will be above the line, below the line OR the can optionally not play the 12th game.

3. Submission of the Pick'em:

- a. BFP will setup a form submission site on a google drive page for the players to use. A link will be provided with the release of the current week's pick'em.

- i. Players may input one or all of their picks. At a time
 - b. The player MUST have their selections submitted by the kick off time listed on the BFP pick'em sheet for any given game. Anything submitted after the listed at time will not be scored, even if the game is delayed. No exceptions.
 - c. Players need NOT input scores for previous picks if adding new picks for later games. BFP will ignore any inputs for games that have already kicked off.
 - d. However, it is the **player's responsibility to verify submissions** to the google forms website. A link is provided to 'see' all players picks. You can verify your inputs.
 - e. When viewing everyone's responses, in the file menu, you can view '**version history**' if you believe the responses form to be incorrect. This will be used in a dispute where a player believes they have submitted their scores, but the BFP admin does not receive them.
 - f. Alternately, Players may email bert.football@gmail.com their scores. The time of submittal will be the receive time of the email as stamped by the gmail server.
 - g. Other methods of delivering scores are available upon request.
 - h. BFP is not responsible if the player does not receive the email with the current week's pick'em links.
 - i. It is the player's responsibility to notify BFP if they think they have missed an email.
 - j. If the pick'em is submitted late, then that game(s) will be nulled or reverted to the previous score pick (if updating) for any games that are past the listed kickoff time.
4. Scoring:
- a. Straight Picks
 - i. Picking the correct team starts with +50 points
 - 1. 1 point is subtracted for every point that the player's guess is off from the actual score.
 - 2. The minimum score for picking the correct team is +10 points
 - b. Bonus points
 - i. Exact pick: + 40 points
 - ii. Underdog: Betting line * 4 bonus points added
 - c. Over Under
 - i. This Game is always optional!
 - ii. If you select OVER:
 - 1. And the total additive score of both teams GREATER than the line indicated on the pick'em form then you get +20 bonus points.
 - 2. And the total additive score of both teams is LESS than the line indicated on the pick'em form, then you get penalized -20 points.
 - iii. If you select UNDER:

1. And the total additive score of both teams is LESS than the line indicated on the pick'em form and you get +20 bonus points.
 2. And the total additive score of both teams is GREATER than the line indicated on the pick'em form, then you get penalized -20 points.
 - iv. If you opt 'No Play', you get 0 (zero) bonus points and this game does not affect your score.
 - v. There is a category winner for the season for the most OV/UN bonus points accumulated.
 - d. BFP will make every effort to send periodic score updates during the football weekend with updated scores, but this is not a requirement of the game.
 - e. There will be **no** makeup/bonus/replacement weeks for misunderstandings. It is the player's responsibility to ask questions if things are not clear or the player forgot a week's submissions. Remember, there is always bowl season and it is best to stay on top of things.
5. Awards:
- a. **Needs to be filled in**
6. Arbitration:
- a. In the event of a dispute with BFP admin the player may ask for arbitration. The arbitration shall be conducted with no transparency in a 15th century dungeon using 17th century techniques and equipment to summon/conjure or hallucinate previous admins to seek guidance. Their word shall be law, unless the current admin overrules them.
7. Misc:
- a. Be aware that execution of the BFP is a mix of spreadsheet macros, machine automation and still a healthy dose of manual data entry... mistakes happen.
 - b. Please make the Admin aware of any fat fingers or just plain mistakes as soon as possible... The admin tries, but lives a life too.