



Hasbro Update on Scrabble Rules

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Hasbro Gaming is rooted in community and bringing people together, and we are committed to providing an experience that is inclusive and enjoyable for all.

For that reason, Hasbro is changing the official rules of its Scrabble game to make clear that slurs are not permissible in any form of the game.

As background, the Merriam-Webster Official Scrabble Players Dictionary is the official word list for North America, where Hasbro owns the rights to Scrabble. We first worked with Merriam-Webster in 1994 to remove offensive words from the Scrabble dictionary and have since made it our policy to review the full word list prior to each reprinting, knowing that as times change, language evolves. We are now on the 6th edition of the Merriam-Webster Official Scrabble Players Dictionary, and words have been removed prior to each printing.

More recently, we've been in discussion with the North American Scrabble Players Association (NASPA) who have agreed to remove all slurs from their word list for Scrabble tournament play, which is managed solely by NASPA and available only to members.

