



The Association for P.O.O.L., Inc. Chesapeake Bay Region

9 BALL DIVISION FORMAT SHEETS

- 1) Teams will consist of (5) to (8) players.
- 2) New players must pay an Annual Registration Fee of \$20.00. Teams will be held responsible for the Registration Fee for their teammates who join but do not pay. New players who have played in other leagues will use that handicap (highest-known) as their beginning handicap in this league. Players who the League Office feel intentionally lied about a known handicap will be immediately suspended from league activity indefinitely.
- 3) Existing members must pay an Annual Membership Renewal Fee of \$20.00. ALL Membership Renewals must be paid by the end of the month, or those players will be removed from the roster.
- 4) Teams must pay all fees owed that night in full regardless of circumstances.
- 5) It is recommended that fees be paid by check. Make checks payable to:
TAP CBR
- 6) Teams can add or drop players to their roster at any time provided the player(s) will have an opportunity to play a minimum of 6 matches.
- 7) Teams that drop out after the 3rd week of play will be responsible for all League Fees owed by them and any additional revenue lost due to their dropping out for the whole session. Should a team drop out an updated schedule may be released.
- 8) Teams can be added to a division up to the start of the 4th week. Points will be awarded to the teams as the League Office feels are appropriate. Afterwards, a new schedule may be produced.
- 9) If a division drops below (6) teams, the League Office has the option of continuing the division and try to rebuild the team-count or close the division down. If the division is closed down, no refunds will be given.
- 10) Should a team be short (1) or (2) players for a night's play, the following options are open for the opposing team to pick from for the last match(es): 1) The opposing team can take a forfeit(s). 2) The opposing team can choose a player from the players who've already played that night and allow that player to play a 2nd match. 3) The opposing team can agree to a make-up(s). Teams will have till the 2nd Sunday after the night's scheduled match to play the make-up(s). The default date and time for the make-up(s) will be the 2nd Sunday after the scheduled night's play, 3 pm.
NO MAKE-UPS are allowed in the last (3) weeks of regular play.
- 11) Members who win their game by either an "9 on the Break", or "Break & Run" will be awarded for their accomplishment. Awards will be in the team envelope. Players can only win (1) Award per type each session (additional Awards can be purchased). If a team has a negative balance then all awards earned will be forfeited.



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- 12) Teams have (2) weeks from the week of occurrence to report any missing or misplaced points for their team. No points will be awarded after this period. On the last week of regular session play any errors must be reported to the League Representative or Director no later than (15) minutes after the scheduled night's play. Should a team or player receive a point(s) in error, the League Office will make the correction(s) upon realization.
- 13) The League Office reserves the right to penalize a team point(s) for the following infractions:
 - a) Failure to turn in the team envelope by the deadline.
 - b) Failure to keep their team balance at \$0.00.
 - c) Failure to fill out the Team Score-Sheet completely and accurately.
 - d) The League Office reserves the right to modify or add to the above at any time.
- 14) Teams can be suspended from league play for the following reasons:
 - a) If a team stays at a negative balance for (3) consecutive weeks they will be suspended until all monies owed are paid in full.
 - b) If a team owes more than \$40.00 they will be suspended until all monies owed are paid in full.
 - c) Physical contact is strictly prohibited. Any member who initiates physical violence will be suspended indefinitely or banned. Other penalties may be applied.
- 15) There are members who will intentionally miss shots, lose games, or coach teammates not to play to their full ability. These members need to be removed from TAP to preserve the integrity of the league. If the League Office believes that a member or team is playing in an unsportsmanlike manner than the party(s) involved will be suspended indefinitely.
- 16) There are occasions when your night of play will be cancelled. If this happens then that night will be rescheduled.
- 17) The League Office wants all members to be safe. Should the weather create conditions that the League Office feels could affect members safety, an announcement will be made. The announcement may be that special playing instructions are in effect or the night's play has been cancelled and rescheduled.
- 18) All teams must have a zero (\$0.00) balance owed after the end of the last week of regular session play to be eligible for Tie-Breakers, Prize-Money, Titleholders Playoffs, or the "Best of the Rest" Tournament.
- 19) There are occasions that the League Office will modify / adjust / void a format rule for the benefit of the division. Members need to understand that when this happens, the League's goal is to maximize each team's chances of winning.
- 20) Scorekeeping of matches will be recorded using the App "TAP the APP".



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- 21) If (2) or more teams are tied at the end of the session and they are part on the Titleholders Playoff Board, the team with the fewest total games lost will be awarded the higher position. Should teams tie in fewest games lost, then the team who won the most games will be awarded the higher positions. If teams are still tied the team who won the most points the last time the teams met will be awarded the higher position.
- 22) A team can only win (1) slot for the Annual National Team Tournament. Once a team has won a slot, should that exact team roster have another slot in an upcoming National Qualifier the team will be withdrawn from the event. Should a team that has already won a slot and has a variation of that roster in an upcoming National Qualifier, the team will be considered different and allowed to participate. This is to ensure that as many different players as possible will get to experience a National Team Tournament.
- 23) The League Office can add, delete, or change these guidelines without notice and at any time. These guidelines are for the Chesapeake Bay Region of TAP only and may not apply in other territories or events.
- 24) Revised 01-16-2023



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DIVISION PLAY-OFFS

Qualified teams will compete in a (2) week Play-off to determine final standings.

First team to win (3) matches on their scheduled night of play will advance to the next round

Teams owe the \$40 weekly fee regardless of matches played.

Regular league rules apply.

(2) Time Outs per player per game.

(2) Handicapped players get the unlimited Sideline Assistance.

A player CANNOT shoot (2) times in Play-offs. A team may use "Strategic Forfeit" during Play-offs using qualified team members.



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DIVISION AWARDS CHART

“A” DIVISIONS

Divisions with (8) or more teams at the end of regular session play

- a) 1st Place team before Play-offs wins \$200.00
- 2nd Place team before Play-offs wins \$100.00
- b) Top (2) teams after Titleholder's Play-offs win prizes.
- c) Top (3) teams after Titleholder's Play-offs qualify to play in the next Titleholder's event scheduled for their format.
- d) 1st & 2nd Place teams after Titleholder's Play-offs pre-qualify for the next Chesapeake Bay Region “National Team Qualifier” event.
- e) For the teams that are not in the Titleholder's Play-offs there will be a division “Best of the Rest” Tournament played
 - 1) Each qualified team will be placed on a tournament board in a random fashion.
 - 2) Teams will compete following the Titleholder's Play-off schedule to determine a winner.
 - 3) The team that wins the division “Best of the Rest” Tournament will pre-qualify for the next Chesapeake Bay Region “National Team Qualifier” Event.
 - 4) Prize-money may also be paid out.

“B” DIVISIONS

Divisions with (6) to (7) teams at the end of regular session play

- a) 1st Place team before Play-offs wins \$200.00
- 2nd Place team before Play-offs wins \$100.00
- b) Top (2) teams after Titleholder's Play-offs win prizes & the top (3) teams qualify to play in the next Titleholder's event scheduled for their format.
- c) 1st & 2nd Place teams after Titleholder's Play-offs pre-qualify for the next Chesapeake Bay Region “National Team Qualifier” event.

“C” DIVISIONS

Divisions with (4) to (5) teams at the end of regular session play.

- a) 1st Place team before Play-offs wins \$150.00
- b) Top (2) teams after Titleholder's Play-offs win prizes & the top (2) teams qualify to play in the next Titleholder's event scheduled for their format.
- c) 1st Place team after Titleholder's Play-offs pre-qualify for the next Chesapeake Bay Region “National Team Qualifier” event.

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Individual Awards & the TAP Tournaments

There are also plenty of chances for players to win individual awards. Make an 8 or 9 on the break and get the TAP "on the Snap" award. Currently we're giving players a stylish engraved keychain for the accomplishment.

In a nice play with words, our award for a "Break & Run" is the novel handcuff keychain. This is an actual working set of mini-handcuffs that double as a keychain. This is an attention getter that always gets a cheer when given out.

Both awards are given for free once per session.

Our TAP specialty tournament, the TRIATHLON, is the only tournament of its kind. Participants play 8, 9, & 10-ball all in the same tournament. There are 5 winners, a Grand Champion, an 8-Ball Champion, a 9-Ball Champion, a 10-ball Champion, & a Break Champion. It's a round-robin format with participants playing every other player in the tournament at least once; the only question is which game format gets played. Its hours of pool and hours of fun.

We also offer the KING OF THE MOUNTAIN. This tournament is for the person who wants to prove they're the best of the best in the area. A round robin format followed by a single elimination board provides hours of competition with great prize money at the end.



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Break & Run Tournament

TAP is proud to offer our members the
Annual Break & Run Tournament

This tournament is for players who've earned
either an 8-ball or 9-ball Break & Run Award

- A FREE ROLL Break & Run tournament
- For layers who have a Break & Run(s) dated within the announced calendar year.
- Each player gets (5) tries, with points given for every legally pocketed ball
- Escalating point minimums set for advancement to the next round
- Players must be an active TAP member to play
- Rules or requirements may be added or dropped at any time without notice

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