

# American CueSports Alliance (ACS)

## - 2020/2021 League Sanction Application -

[ACS league year is June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021]

**League Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Officer receiving mail \_\_\_\_\_ Officer title \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Hm. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Wk. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle preferred telephone numbers above and check to authorize us to publish your circled telephone #s and email addresses on our website)

**Other Primary Officer** \_\_\_\_\_ Officer title \_\_\_\_\_

Hm. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Wk. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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**League Description** (check the two appropriate boxes):

- Owner-operator (one who owns the local league as a for-profit business)
- Player-run (Players elect/appoint officers – local league is non-profit)
- In-house (all teams and competition are hosted in one establishment)
- Traveling (league has multiple host sites)

**League Type:**  Men's  Women's  Mixed  Scotch Doubles  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**League Season Begins:**  Summer  Fall  Spring

**League Information:**

# of Players \_\_\_\_\_ # of Teams \_\_\_\_\_ Night(s) of Play \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Guaranteed Prize Money \_\_\_\_\_

Prize Money Distribution (how many places paid) \_\_\_\_\_

Bank for League Funds \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Address \_\_\_\_\_

## ACS League Sanction/ Policy Agreement

- I. The signing of this agreement does not confer to a local league any exclusive rights or franchised territory by the ACS.
- II. **League sanctioning deadline:** League Operators are required to mail in the completed ACS sanctioning agreements with fees and roster sheets (see League Operator Instructions) by no later than the fifth week of play of the league's first sanctioned session. League sanction work mailed after the fifth week of the first session could result in no credit for participation to league players before the date sent. After initial sanctioning, league operators are required to submit four weeks of standings sheets displaying individual performance along with new player info and fees every month of play thereafter.
- II. **Minimum participation requirements:** To qualify for ACS National Championships in any division, a league player member must compete in a minimum of eight (8) full regularly scheduled matches over a minimum eight (8) weeks during one sanctioned session. Examples: If the local format insures a player plays four games/ match, the player must have played 32 games (8 x 4) over a minimum of eight matches played over a minimum eight week period during one sanctioned session.
- III. **Minimum team structure requirements:** All teams at ACS National and Midwest Championships may be composed of any players within your local league who have met the minimum participation requirements in item II. above. There is no longer a "core-player minimum" !
- IV. **Player not in good standing:** Please apprise the ACS in writing (email acceptable) of any league player who is no longer in good standing within your local league.
- V. **Issues with dual-sanctioning:** A league sanctioned with another national league association may sanction with the ACS (dual sanctioning) as long as its intention is not to undermine the ACS national league-sanctioning body. Leagues may request a written "dual-sanction" application; and the application will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the ACS staff. A league must have a signed approval agreement allowing "dual-sanctioning" before it sends in its initial sanctioning work and fees. The ACS administration will only approve dual sanctioning of a local league if it deems the dual sanctioning is offered solely for the purpose of offering its players extra benefits and not for the purpose of undermining an existing ACS-sanctioned league within its area of administration.
- VI. **Protection of Nights:** If a new or pre-existing ACS league chooses to move or expand play on nights of the week in which another ACS league in the same area has traditionally played, the ACS will exercise its best efforts to diffuse the competitive situation – usually protecting the night of play of the league that had it first.
- VII. **Rules of Play:** ACS recognizes the world-standardized rules of play as published by the world-governing body for the sport – the World Pool-Billiard Association. It is recommended that ACS-sanctioned leagues use WPA rules, but the local league is not required to do so.

*I have read the above policies, and I do agree to adhere to the rules and standards set forth in this application and in the ACS League Operator manual. I shall to the best of my ability enforce these guidelines with the participants in my league. I understand that I am totally responsible for the fulfillment of all my league's obligations. Such obligations include but are not limited to advertising, schedules of play, amounts of awards and prize monies, updating and posting weekly standings sheets, fulfilling sanction obligations to the ACS on a monthly basis, overseeing the safety and security of league funds, notifying league participants of any material changes in the league, and generally fulfilling all obligations and responsibilities attendant thereto. I further recognize that all costs for the league are the full and exclusive responsibility of myself and the signed officers below. I specifically indemnify and hold harmless American CueSports Alliance (ACS), headquartered in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and their employees and directors, of any responsibilities, costs and attorney fees, or obligations attendant to the administration of this billiard league.*

League President \_\_\_\_\_ League Secretary \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **League Operator Directions Submission Requirements**

- **Leagues must submit all completed sanction forms and sanction fees to the ACS national headquarters before the FIFTH week of competition in each session.**
- **Leagues must submit a sanction fee for every player within their league who has competed a minimum of one or more weeks in the league.**
- **You are required to submit the following in your initial Sanctioning Work to ACS:**
  - Sanction Application
  - League Operator Directions (signed and returned with applications)
  - Signed Sanction/Policy Agreement
  - Read and understand the League Operator Code of Ethics
  - Team roster, including:
    - League Name
    - Team Name
    - Names of all team members
    - Any players sanctioned through another ACS league must be marked with an asterisk (\*), and the name of the other league posted by the asterisk at the bottom of the page
    - Email addresses and hometown/state of all players in your league
  - Weekly standings sheets for all weeks already played
  - League schedules
- **Forms to be sent every four weeks:**
  - Updates to Team Rosters
  - Weekly standings for EACH week of play, to include:
    - Name of League and League Operator
    - Date of Standings
    - Full name of player, team name, number of weeks played, wins/losses, etc.
    - Do NOT send score sheets
    - You may submit your statistics by email, fax or mail

**The ACS must receive the complete submissions listed above before the ACS will sanction your league. I have read and understand the requirements listed above.**

League Operator Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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