IOWA ACS TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

October 24-27, 2019

Additional Information: [www.iowaacs.com](http://www.iowaacs.com)

**VENUE:**  Davenport River Center

136 East Third Street, Davenport IA 5280

**HOST HOTEL:** Radisson (connected to River Center)

 111 East Second St., Davenport IA 5281

 1-800-333-333 [www.radisson.com/acs](http://www.radisson.com/acs)

**NEW FOR 2019:**

* Additional prize money added -- $7,500.
* Any two players (base) from the same sanctioned league can form a team with any other ACS League players within the same state. The two base players must play every match. The League Operator of the base players will be responsible for verifying the qualifications of the players from another league.
* Free entries to the ACS National Tournament for the 1st and 2nd place teams from both the Men’s and Women’s Divisions.
* Absolutely no on-site entries for pre-registered events will be accepted!

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

A player must have played a minimum of four (4) full matches over a minimum of four weeks in one session of any ACS sanctioned pool league within Iowa or an Iowa border state since November 1, 2018. Credible and verifiable stats must accompany each entry. Misrepresentation of stats will be grounds for disqualification.

The League Operator will enter the entries into the MPA System and then forward ALL entries and fees to the ACS Treasurer by Sept. 27, 2019 at the following address: 3855 Raleigh Ave, Bettendorf IA 52722.

**PLAYER STATUS and MPA RATING:**

The Singles Divisions are the same as last year. Handicapping the races has an effect on the Player Status within the Divisions as follows:

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| ACS Division | Player Status | Race | Description |
| Advanced | Elite | 8 | Elite Player |
| Master | 7 | Upper Master Player |
| Advanced | 6 | Lower Master Player |
| Open | Intermediate | 5 | Upper Open player or Open player who cashed at Iowa ACS |
| Open | 4 | Open player who cashed in another tournament |
| Standard  | Standard | 3 | MPA definition OR an Open player who has not cashed in any other tournament *(Out-of-state players are NOT eligible)* |

 The Team Format is the same as last year. There is only one Men’s Division and one Women’s Division. Teams will be divided into four brackets, based on total team handicap levels. The top four teams from each bracket will move to the Final Board. All teams on the Final Board are guaranteed prize money. Players are ranked according to their singles status, as noted above, and are handicapped as follows:

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| Player Status | MPA Rating | HCP | Description |
| Elite | PRO | 0 | Elite Player |
| Master | M | 4 | Upper Master Player |
| Advanced | AA | 8 | Lower Master Player |
| Intermediate | A | 12 | Upper Open player or Open player who cashed at Iowa ACS |
| Open | B | 16 | Open player who cashed in another tournament |
| Standard | C | 20 | MPA definition OR an Open player who has not cashed in any other tournament *(Out-of-state players are NOT eligible)* |

If a player does not have history in the Iowa ACS tournament, ISPA and/or IOMA status and history will be considered as well as past history at all other tournaments. Known ability should only be used when data is not available.

**PRE-REGISTERED EVENTS**: All pre-registered events are double elimination -- world standardized rules apply – rack your own with alternate break. All entries include green fees and admin fees.

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| Men’s & Women’s |  Fee | Date | Start | Race *(subject to no. of entries)* |
| 9-Ball Singles |  $50 | Thursday – Oct 24 | 10:00 a.m. | 4 std / 5 open / 6 intermediate |
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| 10-Ball Singles |  $65 | Thursday – Oct 24 | 10:00 a.m. | 6 adv / 7 master / 8 elite |
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| 8- Ball Singles |  |  |  |  |
|  Standard  |  $50 | Thursday – Oct 24 | 7:00 p.m. | 3 standard |
|  Open |  $60 | Thursday – Oct 24 | 7:00 p.m. | 4 open / 5 intermediate |
|  Advanced |  $75 | Thursday – Oct 24 | 7:00 p.m. | 6 adv / 7 master / 8 elite |
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| Teams | $200 | Friday – Oct 25 | 8:00 p.m. | Handicapped – 16-game format |

*9-Ball: Standard & Open/Intermediate players only (no Advanced) – 9-ball on the break is not a win.*

*10-Ball: Standard players are not eligible – 10-ball on the break is not a win.*

**ON-SITE REGISTERED EVENTS:**

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|  | Fee | Date | Start | Race *(subject to no. of entries)* |
| Scotch Doubles | $30 | Friday - Oct 25  | 12:00 noon | 3 two std / 4 no adv / 5 one adv  |
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| Team 2nd Chance | $40 | Saturday – Oct 26 | 6:00 p.m. | Handicapped – 16 game format |
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| Junior’s Divisions | $25 | Sunday - Oct 27 | 11:00 a.m.  | (to be determined) |

Scotch Doubles – Double elimination – Registration begins 9:00 a.m. Friday, Oct. 25. -- must be out of all singles events. Two Advanced players cannot play together. Green fees will be added if a player is not entered into any other event. Event will finish on Friday.

Team 2nd Chance – Single elimination – must have been eliminated from the regulation tournament without cashing and must have two members from the original team.

Junior’s Divisions – Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 27 – Divisions and races determined by the number of entries as some age divisions may be combined.

**PAYMENT:**

All pre-registered entries and fees must be submitted to your League Operator by Monday, Sept. 23, 2019. A late fee of $25 for singles and $40 for team will be applied to all entries received after Sept. 28. Absolutely no entries accepted after October 18, 2019. NO REFUNDS! There will be a 5% processing fee for all credit card entries.

**EQUIPMENT:**

7-foot Valley tables with red dot cue balls and Championship Mercury Ultra cloth. Tables will be open during competition and, when available, for practice.

 The tournament room will be non-smoking throughout the championships.

**DRESS CODE:**

Dress code requirements are established to add to the prestige and respect associated with this most prominent of amateur tournaments. Your cooperation in wearing neat, clean apparel at all times during competition and practice for the betterment of the sport is appreciated.

* All players must wear sleeved shirts of with a conventional fold-down collar.
* No shorts allowed.
* Caps must be worn forward.
* No torn or cut jeans.
* Team shirts are REQUIRED for all teams during team competition. An event shirt may be worn in lieu of a team shirt.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ACS RULES AND REGULATIONS AND GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP MAY BE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE TOURNAMENT.