

## 2021 IOWA ACS STATE TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

October 20 – 24, 2021

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

**VENUE:** Davenport River Center  
136 East Third Street, Davenport IA 52801

**HOST HOTEL:** Radisson Quad City Plaza (connected to River Center)  
111 East Second St., Davenport IA 52801  
563-322-2200 [www.radisson.com/acs](http://www.radisson.com/acs)

### HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2021:

- Additional prize money added -- \$9,000
- A new event this year – 9-Ball team – see details below
- 9-Ball and 10-Ball Singles - moved to Wednesday night at 7:00.
- Jack & Jill Scotch Doubles – can now pre-register.
- Due to the pandemic, the weeks of play may be adjusted at the discretion of the Iowa ACS Board.
- Match/game cannot be won on a foul in the team event.
- A new player with no verifiable history cannot play as a Standard player in the team event.
- No professional ranked players are allowed.
- Hotel information required.
- Separate Junior Guidelines for BEF Junior Tournament.

### 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, 2020. Credible and verifiable stats must accompany each entry. Misrepresentation of stats will be grounds for disqualification. A player must be in good standing with the National ACS Association at the time of qualification. Due to the 2020 pandemic, weeks of play may be determined at the discretion of the Board of the Iowa ACS on an individual basis for the 2021 tournament.

The League Operator will enter the entries into the MPA System and then forward ALL entries and fees by September 24, 2021, to Iowa ACS Treasurer, 3855 Raleigh Ave, Bettendorf, IA 52722. All league stats must accompany the entries if they are not in Compusport.

### HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

In order to receive sponsorship and grant money for our tournament, we must generate an economic impact for the Quad Cities. The number of hotel room nights is a huge part of this. If you are reserving a room in your name at a hotel, you MUST indicate on your entry form the name of the hotel and the number of nights reserved. The team captain should enter this information for all team members.

**PLAYER STATUS and MPA RATING:**

The three Singles Divisions are (1) Standard, (2) Open, which is handicapped by Open or Intermediate, and (3) Advanced, which is handicapped by Advanced, Master, or Elite. Handicapping the races in each Division has an effect on the Player Status within the Divisions as follows:

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 cashed in Iowa ACS Open prior to 2018
	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 ( <i>Out-of-state players <b>may</b> be eligible if they played 2 of the last 5 years in IA ACS Open without cashing</i> )

If a player has no history in the Iowa ACS tournament, we will consider the ISPA and/or IOMA rating and history, as well as history at all other tournaments. Known ability should only be used when data is not available. Out-of-state players who have played in Open Singles for 2 years may be eligible for Standard.

**8-BALL TEAM:**

The 8-ball team event is a 16-game format and consists of four players per team. There is 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.

Any two base players 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.

Players are ranked according to their singles status, as noted above, and are handicapped as follows:

Player Status	MPA Rating	HCP	Description
Elite	Elite	0	Elite Player
Master	M	4	Upper Master Player
Advanced	AA	8	Lower Master Player
Intermediate	A	12	Upper Open Player
Open	B	16	Open Player who cashed in another tournament
Standard	C	20	MPA definition OR an Open player who has not cashed

A new player without verifiable history may not play as Standard in the team event. If a team has more than four players, the team handicap is calculated on the four players starting that particular match. A team cannot substitute in another player after the start of the match if it would alter the handicap from the beginning of the match.

**SECOND CHANCE 8-BALL TEAM:**

Must be eliminated from the regular team event without cashing and must have two members from the original team. Players must be out of all other events. Teams may sign up on-site after elimination from the regular event. Team shirts are not required. The event is single elimination.

**9-BALL TEAM:**

9-Ball Teams consist of any three players and do not need to be from the same ACS sanctioned league. The total team handicap cannot exceed 15, based on players' 8-ball singles rating. There will not be a separate women's division. Women may play at one level below their 8-ball rating. Races will be determined by each team's handicap. Entries are limited to 32 teams. This is a pre-registered event, but on-site entries will be accepted if openings are available. A player must be out of the 9-ball or 10-ball singles to participate in the team event. A player cannot play in both 9-Ball Team and Jack & Jill Scotch as these events are run concurrently. World standardized rules, except the 3-foul rule is not in effect.

**JACK & JILL SCOTCH DOUBLES:**

Jack & Jill Scotch teams consist of a female and a male player. Players do not need to be from the same ACS sanctioned league. Two Advanced Division (Advanced/Master/Elite) players cannot play together. This is a pre-registered event, but on-site entries will be accepted if openings are available. This event utilizes a 32-team bracket, and additional brackets will be added if entries exceed 32. A player must be out of the 9-ball or 10-ball singles to participate in this event. A player cannot play in both Jack & Jill Scotch and 9-Ball Team as these events are run concurrently.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

All pre-registered events are double elimination. World standardized rules apply. Rack your own with alternate breaks. Entries include green fees and administration fees. Absolutely no on-site entries will be accepted, except for Jack & Jill Scotch, 9-Ball Team, and Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance.

Men's & Women's	Fee	Date	Start	Race <i>(subject to no. of entries)</i>
9-Ball Singles	\$50	Wed. – Oct. 20	7:00 p.m.	4 std / 5 open / 6 intermediate
10-Ball Singles	\$65	Wed. – Oct. 20	7:00 p.m.	5 adv / 6 master / 7 elite
Jack & Jill Scotch Doubles	\$30	Thur. – Oct. 21	11:00 a.m.	3 std / 4 no adv / 5 one adv
9-Ball Team - 3 person	\$60	Thur. – Oct. 21	11:00 a.m.	Determined by team handicap
8- Ball Singles				
Standard	\$50	Thur. – Oct. 21	7:00 p.m.	3 standard
Open/Intermediate	\$60	Thur. – Oct. 21	7:00 p.m.	4 open / 5 intermediate
Advanced/Master/Elite	\$75	Thur. – Oct. 21	7:00 p.m.	6 adv / 7 master / 8 elite
8-Ball Team - 4 person	\$200	Fri. – Oct. 22	8:00 p.m.	Handicapped – 16-game format
Team 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance	\$40	Sat. – Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Handicapped – 16-game format

- 9-Ball Singles – Standard and Open/Intermediate players only – NO Advanced/Master/Elite. 9-Ball Singles & Team – 9-ball on the break in any pocket is a win. The 3-foul rule is not in effect.
- 10-Ball Singles - Standard players are not eligible – Open/Intermediate will race to 5. 10-ball on the break is NOT a win.
- Cannot enter both 9-ball and 10-ball Singles as these events run concurrently. Cannot enter both 9-Ball Team and Jack & Jill Scotch as these events run concurrently.
- Races in all events are subject to change depending on the number of entries.
- Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance is on-site registration – single elimination.
- Jack & Jill Scotch Doubles & 9-ball Team are pre-registered events. On-site registration allowed, if there are openings available, at 9:00 a.m. Thurs. October 22.

**DEADLINES:**

Entries and fees due to League Operator	Monday	Sept. 20, 2021
League Operators forward entries and fees	Saturday	Sept. 25, 2021
Late fees apply - \$25 for singles and \$40 for team	Saturday	Sept. 25, 2021
No entries will be accepted	Friday	Oct. 15, 2021

**PAYMENT:**

All pre-registered entries and fees must be submitted to your League Operator by Monday, September 20, 2021. The League Operator will forward them to the ACS Treasurer. There will be a 5% processing fee for all credit card payments. NO REFUNDS!

A late fee of \$25 for singles and \$40 for team will be applied after September 25. Absolutely no entries will be accepted after October 15, 2021.

**MINI TOURNAMENTS:**

Mini tournaments in all events will be held when tables are available and if time permits.

**ACS NATIONAL TOURNAMENT:**

The first and second place teams from both the Men's and Women's Divisions will receive free entry to the ACS National Tournament to be held in May 2022 in Las Vegas, NV.

**BEF JUNIOR TOURNAMENT:**

For details, see separate Junior Guidelines at [www.iowaacs.com](http://www.iowaacs.com)

**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:**

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 with a conventional fold-down collar.
- Tee shirts and sweatshirts are not allowed.
- No shorts allowed. No torn or cut jeans.
- Warm-up suits and jogging suits are not allowed.
- Closed-toed shoes are required.
- Hats, caps, and visors must be worn forward.
- Earbuds, cell phones, etc., are not permitted.
- Team shirts are **required** for all 8-ball teams during the team competition. An event shirt may be worn in place of a team shirt.

**HOTELS:**

Hotel Blackhawk – 563-322-2200 – 200 East 3rd Street, Davenport [www.rooms@hotelblackhaw.com](mailto:www.rooms@hotelblackhaw.com)

The Current Iowa – 563-231-9555 – 215 N. Main Street, Davenport [www.infor@thecurrentiowa.com](mailto:www.infor@thecurrentiowa.com)

Qualify Inn & Suites – 563-386-8396 – 6605 Brady Street, Davenport [www.hotels-rates.com](http://www.hotels-rates.com)

Isle Casino Hotel – 563-441-7000 – 1777 Isle Parkway, Bettendorf [www.islebettendorf.com](http://www.islebettendorf.com)

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