

2017 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

DIVISION FORMATS & ELIGIBILITY

GENERAL INFORMATION

Important Dates

July 27: Last day for hotel discount
 Aug. 1: Last day for early entry discount
 Aug. 8: Last day for mailed entries & personal checks
 Aug. 15: Last day for refund requests
 Aug. 29: Last day to register online

Refunds & Division Changes

Refund requests must be received in writing by email, fax, or postal mail by Aug. 15, 2017 and will be processed after Sept. 11, 2017. A \$20 processing fee will apply to all refund requests. Change requests must be received by Aug. 28, 2017 and a \$10/player processing fee will apply. Admin fees are non-refundable.

Hotel Reservations – We-Ko-Pa Resort!

Book by July 27, 2017 to receive the special group rate of \$99/night. Phone reservations at **480-789-5300** or **844-493-5672**; Group Code: **BCAPL2017**. Address: We-Ko-Pa Resort, 10438 N. Fort McDowell Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85264

FargoRate

FargoRate has replaced the outdated system of subjectively classifying players as AA, A, B, C, etc. Players with at least 200 games of data in the FargoRate system have an established rating. Those with fewer than 200 games have a transitional rating based on any data in the FargoRate system and a starter rating assigned by CueSports International.

Individual Rating Limits

This tournament is for amateurs only. No male rated higher than 720 and no female rated higher than 660 may register for any division.

Division Start Times

Various factors could delay start times. Therefore, divisions may begin later than the times listed on the entry form. Check the tournament brackets for the exact start time of your match or ask the Tournament Director.

Don't Get Disqualified!

We take player ratings very seriously. A player who intentionally enters an event with a transitional or starter rating that is too low for his or her ability, is cheating. **Be aware that we have tools in place to monitor players who are consistently and significantly performing above their rating during the event.** The BCAPL reserves the right to disqualify any player without refund. Therefore, if you believe you are underrated, contact us prior to the registration deadline.

Mixed Divisions vs. Women's Divisions

While women's-only divisions are offered, Fargo Ratings provide women the opportunity to compete on a level playing field against men. A woman rated 450 plays at the same level as a man rated 450. Therefore, women are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the mixed divisions.

No Changes after the Draw!

Once the brackets are drawn for a division, no changes are allowed.

Dress Code

Dress Code "C"

Know Your Match Time & Location!

Matches are not announced at the event. You are responsible to know when and where your matches are scheduled. Please review Appendix A – Using CTS (CueSports Tournament System). If you still need help, please ask our staff at the Tournament Director's desk.

SCOTCH DOUBLES

General Eligibility

- Teams must consist of one (1) male and one (1) female.
- At least one (1) teammate must be an active member in a BCAPL or USAPL league and meet one of the stipulations below:
 - a. Played a minimum of four (4) full scheduled weeks during the 2017-2018 league year (June 1, 2017 – Aug. 30, 2017) or;
 - b. Played a minimum of eight (8) full scheduled weeks in a single session during the 2016-2017 league year (June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017)
- One (1) teammate may be a CSI member (\$25 membership fee) but must reside in the same state as the league-qualified member.

Gold Scotch Doubles (8-Ball)

Players register for scotch doubles based on the members' combined Fargo Ratings. Entry fees, dates, and times are listed on the entry form.

- **Ratings:** the team's combined Fargo Rating cannot exceed 1,100 at the time of registration.
- **Format:** race to 4, non-handicapped, alternate break, rack your own, true double elimination
- **Fees:** each entry includes a \$15 green fee and \$50 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
- **Added:** \$500 added based on 64 teams

Team Rating Increases

There is a 10-point per player "cushion" if the team is eligible at the time of registration but one or more members' ratings increase before the tournament to push them over the limit. If the team's rating moves beyond this 20-point cushion, they will have the following options:

- Option 1:* Replace one (1) player to get back within the division limit (must still meet all other eligibility requirements)
Option 2: Play and accept a one-game penalty in each match for every 50 points over the team cushion

Example:

A Scotch Doubles team is below the 1,100 limit at the time of registration but their rating increases to 1,118 (18 points over the limit) – there is no penalty in the match because it did not exceed the 20-point cushion. If their rating increases to 1,152 (32 points over the cushion), they will incur a one-game penalty in each match. Note: If both teams in a match have been penalized, the penalty in that match will be the difference in the two penalties. For example, if Team A has a one-game penalty and Team B has a two-game penalty, Team B will incur a one-game penalty in that match. If both teams have a one-game penalty, there is no penalty in that match.

Individual Rating Increases

There is a 10-point "cushion" if a male is rated 720 or lower or a female is rated 660 or lower at the time of registration but his or her rating increases above those limits before the tournament. If a player's rating moves beyond this cushion (730 or 670), the team will have the following options:

- Option 1:* Replace the player (must still meet all other eligibility requirements)
Option 2: Play and accept a 1-game penalty in each match for every 25 points over the individual cushion (730 or 670)

Example: The male player has a rating of 717 at the time of registration but it increases to 735 before the tournament (5 over the cushion), the team will incur a one-game penalty in each match. If the same player's rating increases to 758 (28 over the cushion), the team will incur a two-game penalty in each match.

SINGLES

General Eligibility (all singles divisions)

- Must be an active member in a BCAPL or USAPL league and meet one of the following stipulations:
 - Played a minimum of four (4) full scheduled weeks during the 2017-2018 league year (June 1, 2017 – Aug. 30, 2017).; or
 - Played a minimum of eight (8) full scheduled weeks in a single session during the 2016-2017 league year (June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017)
- Those not meeting the above criteria may play by becoming a CSI Member (\$25 membership fee)

Mixed 8-Ball Singles

Men & women may register for Mixed Singles. After registration ends, the field is separated into two (2) divisions based on players' Fargo Ratings.

- **Platinum Division:** *Upper half of field (approx.)*
 - **Races:** medium handicaps using FargoRate Chart R5
 - **Format:** alternate break, rack your own, true double elimination
 - **Fees:** each entry includes a \$15 green fee and \$50 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
 - **Added:** \$1,000 based on 64 players
- **Gold Division:** *Lower half of field (approx.)*
 - **Races:** medium handicaps using FargoRate Chart R5
 - **Format:** alternate break, rack your own, true double elimination
 - **Fees:** each entry includes a \$15 green fee and \$50 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
 - **Added:** \$500 added based on 64 players

Women's 8-Ball Singles

- **Gold Division:** *entire field*
 - **Races:** medium handicaps using FargoRate Chart R4
 - **Format:** alternate break, rack your own, true double elimination
 - **Fees:** each entry includes a \$15 green fee and \$35 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
 - **Added:** \$500 based on 64 players

Individual Rating Increases

There is a 10-point “cushion” if a player is rated 720 or lower (mixed singles) or a female is rated 660 or lower (women’s singles) at the time of registration but his or her rating increases above those limits before the tournament. If a player’s rating increases beyond the cushions (730 or 670), he or she must play and accept a one-game penalty in each match for every 25 points over the cushion (730 or 670).

Example: A male had a rating of 717 at the time of registration but it increased to 735 before the tournament (5 over the cushion), he will incur a one-game penalty in each match. If his rating increases to 758 (28 over the cushion), he will incur a two-game penalty in each match.

TEAMS

Team Check-In Required

The Team Captain or League Operator must check in at the Tournament Desk prior to the start of the division and get an official team roster. The official roster and photo IDs of all players must be presented to all opposing teams and tournament staff upon request.

Dress Code C – Team Shirts

Please note that team shirts are not required. However, teams that want team shirts are encouraged to visit the official team shirt provider of the BCA Pool League, www.ultimateteamgear.com.

Substitutions

The core roster will be used to determine the total team rating. Teams may substitute players in any round but the substitute must be rated the same or lower than the person being replaced. The team rating remains the same throughout the event as determined by the core roster.

General Eligibility (all team divisions)

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 - Played a minimum of four (4) full scheduled weeks during the 2017-2018 league year (June 1, 2017 – Aug. 30, 2017).; or
 - Played a minimum of eight (8) full scheduled weeks in a single session during the 2016-2017 league year (June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017)

Mixed 8-Ball Gold Teams (4 core players / max. of 2 subs)

- Ratings: the team’s combined rating cannot exceed 2,200 in any round
- Format: race to 10, non-handicapped, rack your own, true double elimination
- Fees: each team entry includes a \$25 green fee and \$150 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
- Added: \$1,500 added based on 32 teams

Women’s 8-Ball Gold Teams (3 core players / max. of 2 subs)

- Ratings: the team’s combined rating cannot exceed 1,500 in any round
- Format: race to 7, non-handicapped, rack your own, true double elimination
- Fees: each team entry includes a \$25 green fee and \$100 toward the prize fund. The remainder is an admin fee.
- Added: \$500 added based on 16 teams

Team Rating Increases

There is a 10-point per player “cushion” if a team is eligible for a specific division at the time of registration but one or more members’ ratings increases before the tournament to push them over the limit. If the team rating moves beyond this cushion, they will have the following options:

- Option 1:* Replace one or more players to get back within the division limit (must still meet all other eligibility requirements)
Option 2: Play and accept a one-game penalty in each match for every 50 points over the cushion.

Example: A Mixed Gold Team is below the 2,200 limit at the time of registration but their rating increases to 2,283 (43 points over the cushion), they will incur a one-game penalty in each match. If their rating increases to 2,317 (77 points over the cushion), they will incur a two-game penalty in each match.

Individual Rating Increases

There is a 10-point “cushion” if a male teammate is rated 720 or lower or a female teammate is rated 660 or lower at the time of registration but his or her rating increases above those limits before the tournament. If a player’s rating increases beyond the cushion (730 or 670), the team will have the following options:

- Option 1:* Replace the player (must still meet other eligibility requirements)
Option 2: Play and accept a one-game penalty in each match for every 25 points over the cushion (730 or 670)

Example: A male on a team has a rating of 716 at the time of registration but it increases to 735 before the tournament (5 over the cushion), the team will incur a one-game penalty in each match. If the same person’s rating increases to 758 (28 over the cushion), the team will incur a two-game penalty in each match.