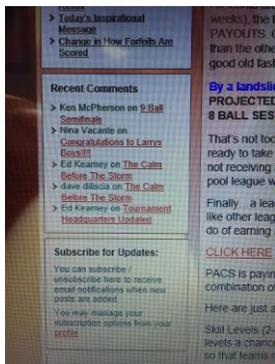


# PACS Spring '16 Guidelines

1. **Score sheets.** Please make sure that everything is totaled up on the score sheets before submitting them. This includes “Balls LOT”, “Turns”, “Safes”, “Scratches”, “MOB”, and “# of Wins”. Remember, we are only recording scratches in which the cue ball is pocketed, or a ball is knocked off of the table. All fouls still result in ball in hand for the opponent. It is important that all scratches are recorded as this is an important piece of data in determining skill levels. The best practice would be for the players to let their score keeper know when it happens just to make sure that it is being properly recorded. Please write legibly and take clear photos of the score sheet before submitting them.
2. **Payments.** Please make sure that you are staying current with payments. I should not have to always ask for payment to be sent. If paying by check or money order, please list the week(s) that you are paying for in the memo line. If by Paypal, please indicate the same in the notes area. If paying by cash in the mail, do so at your own risk. I sometimes get my neighbor’s mail, so they are likely sometimes getting mine.
3. **8 On Break.** At the Invitational, an 8 on the Break will be a win and an 8 on Break combined with a scratch will be a loss (until further notice). This will be done in the interest of saving time at the Invitational. In all divisions except Perry County, an 8 on the break is a win and an 8 on the break coupled with a scratch (cue ball goes off the table or is pocketed) is a loss.
4. **Weekly Standings.** Please make sure to look at the bottom of the weekly standings as I will sometimes include updates or things of importance on the updated standings.
5. **Subscribe to posts on website.** Players and **especially Captains** are encouraged to subscribe to posts on the website. Doing so will result in receiving email notifications when the weekly standings are updated, changes to schedule are made, or important announcements are made. This can be done by going to the area on the left side of the website (on the desktop version) and clicking on “Subscribe for Updates” and following the directions. IF YOU DO NOT DO THIS, YOU WILL LIKELY NOT BE AS INFORMED OF IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WILL LIKELY BE PUTTING YOUR TEAM AT A DISADVANTAGE. Knowledge of what is happening in the league is important and part of the responsibility of being a captain.



6. **Adding new players.** If adding a new player(s), please give me as much notice as possible so I can attempt to bring them in at the proper skill level. In general, new female players will come in as “3”s, new male players will come in as “4”s unless there is strong evidence to the contrary. Captains are expected to gather as much pertinent information as possible for me so that I can assign a skill level. If a player does come in lower than the above (“3”s for females, “4”s for males), they will be watched closely and put on a shorter “leash” than most new players.
7. **Recycling.** Each team will be permitted to recycle twice throughout the session. No team will be allowed to recycle more than once in a match. The recycle rule is not meant for teams to be able to gain an advantage by leaving their “weaker shooters” at home. It is meant as a last resort for teams that have a special set of circumstances making it impossible for them to field a lineup of 5 different players in a given week. If a player shows up to the match and then leaves without shooting because they were of the understanding that the team would still have enough shooters, that team has forfeited their right to recycle a player in his (the person who left without shooting) place. The recycled player MUST SHOOT LAST. No exceptions. The opposing team gets to pick the player and all eligible (“4” or lower) players who shot must be available to shoot the last match (unless the opposing team names the player they wish to be recycled upfront). The recycled player may not be higher than a “4” and must still meet the “25” rule.
8. **Master 7.** The “8” Skill Level (8 Ball Only) will be replaced with a “Master 7” denoted as “M7”. The race will be the same as the race for the “8” which is being discontinued. For purposes of the 25 rule, the “M7” will count as a “7”. IN THE UPCOMING INVITATIONAL, ANY TEAMS WITH AN “8” AT THE TIME OF THE INVITATIONAL WILL STILL HAVE TO MEET THE 25 RULE (SO THAT IF AN “8” SHOOTS, THE OTHER 4 PLAYERS WHO SHOOT WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO TOTAL 17 POINTS. )
9. **Sportsmanship.** Players are expected to show good sportsmanship before, during, and after matches. Sharking is not good sportsmanship. Continually saying “yeah, you’re a 4 my ass” every time your opponent makes a nice shot is a form of sharking, distracting, and very rude. If you have nothing nice to say, say nothing. Nobody...including your own team wants to hear it. If a player can’t keep themselves from doing this, I’d rather they do not play in PACS. ALL PLAYERS WILL SOMETIMES SHOOT MUCH BETTER THAN NORMAL and appear to be “under handicapped”. That does not mean they are sandbagging or cheating. Nobody will think less of you if you lose a pool match...especially to someone who shot better that night than their paper skill level. How a person handles defeat says a lot about their character. Take some accountability so everyone will think more of you. Captains are expected to control their players if they are exhibiting poor sportsmanship.
10. **Forfeits** will be handled differently going forward. Any team that forfeits any individual match will receive a loss, will still be responsible for the \$7, and will take themselves out of the running for one of the random drawings at the end of the session for \$300. The team that is the beneficiary of a forfeit win will have 2 options. Option 1) is to not receive credit for a win or loss and will not be responsible for paying the \$7. Option 2) is to receive .7 points for the forfeit win and pay the \$7 for the .7 points. It is not fair for the league as a whole to play an entire 16 week session and have a “bubble team” advance to the tournament because by pure random chance and no skill whatsoever, they were the beneficiary of numerous forfeit wins that other teams did not get.