



## Pocket Billiards



# COMPETITION MANUAL

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## **GUIDING BODIES**

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International rules will be followed unless specified in WPFG Guidelines

## **EVENTS**

**INDIVIDUAL: UNISEX**

18+

Straight Pool (14.1)	Singles Competition Only
Nine Ball	Singles Competition Only.
Eight Ball	Singles Competition Only.

**ENTRY DEADLINE: 2/28/2027**

## **GENERAL SPORT RULES for BILLIARDS**

The current rules of the World Pool-Billiard Association shall be strictly adhered to.

The rule of fouling an object ball accidentally will be waived in the absence of a formal referee or an impartial third person.

It is unfair for the shooting player to bend over the table for his/her shot and to have his/her opponent then declare "your shirt or your jacket or some other part of you" touched an object ball. The shooter has no defense against this type of charge mainly because he/she neither can see it (his/her head and eyes are well ahead of his/her body) nor can he/she feel this declared rule violation.

Accidentally moved object ball/balls (without a referee): Upon mutual agreement between the shooter and his/her opponent said moved object ball/balls will be



returned to original position. However if this cannot be mutually agreed on: THE NON-SHOOTER WILL PREVAIL. Reason: if a referee had been in charge the shooter would have had no say whatever. The shooter would have lost his/her turn at the table, be penalized one point for the foul and the referee would have returned the ball/balls as near as possible as to his/her (the referee's) best recollection.

A deliberate, intentional disturbance of any object ball/balls is subject to immediate disqualification and loss of that match and possible total disqualification from further tournament participation.

WPBA rules specifically provide for unsportsmanlike conduct penalties to be imposed by the tournament director.

Tournament Director to see that no player is compelled to play two consecutive matches on the same table without the consent of both players.

Special notes for rule of play: SIMULTANEOUS HITS

**Nine Ball** - A legal shot requires that the cue ball's first contact be with the lowest numbered ball on the table. Therefore when the possibility of a simultaneous hit presents itself, (and no referee is officiating) it will be the responsibility of the shooter to request that an independent/neutral observer approach the table (as close as possible) without interfering with the shooter and stand in such a manner that he/she is able to view both balls in question. His/her eyes to be as near as possible directly over the object ball to be struck first and thus render a decision as to the legality of the hit. The observer's decision will be final.

**Eight Ball** - Once a player has qualified to be either on "solids" or "stripes", his/her initial contact by the cue ball must be with said declaration of "solid" or "stripe". No simultaneous hits. Therefore, as in Nine Ball, the shooter is to call for an independent observer whose decision will again be final.

### AWARDING OF MEDALS TO ATHLETES

During the medal presentation, only athletes are allowed to participate in this ceremony. Each athlete and **SHALL** present their Athlete's Credential. If the athlete does not wear their Athlete's Credential, they **SHALL NOT** receive a medal. This is a mandatory requirement to receive a medal.



Technical Support Personnel and children are not allowed on the podium with the teams during the medal presentation.

The sport coordinator SHALL have in their possession a copy of the CSE Report for verification of participation. This will determine and verify which event the athlete was entered into.