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Local Rules Section 1 - Players

1-1. Residence

All members of the Villages BCA Pool League must be a resident of The Villages.

1-2. National Membership

All members of the Villages BCA Pool League must be members of the national BCA Pool League

Local Rules Section 2 - Teams

2-1. Number of Players

Each team shall consist of a minimum of five and no more than ten active players. Players that appear on the weekly roster because they were used as a substitute player shall not be counted when determining the number of active players on the team roster.

2-2. Player Assignment

Players are assigned to a team when they join the league.

2-2.1 Player Request

Any player that is new to the league may request to be placed on an existing team. A group of players new to the league may request to be placed on the same team.

2-2.2 Team Request

A team captain may request that a player that is new to the league be placed on that captain's team.

2-2.3 League Operator Assignment

Players new to the league that are not assigned by either of the two preceding methods will be assigned to a team by the League Operator.

Any player that is new to the league may join an existing team or an existing team may request that a player new to the league be placed on their team. A player remains on the team to which the player is initially assigned each successive season. A player can request to be reassigned to play on a different team for the next subsequent season.

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The player can make the request to his current team captain or to the League Operator. The League Operator will review these requests to insure that the neither the teams nor the league will be adversely effected by the change in assignment.

2-3. Length of Assignment

A player remains on the team to which the player is originally assigned for each successive season that the team exists unless one of the following occurs:

2-3.1 Player Quits

A player is no longer considered on the active roster if the player quits.

2-3.2 Team Disbands

A player becomes a free agent if the team disbands. The League Operator must be notified that the team is disbanding and which players wish to remain in the league.

2-3.3 Player Requests Reassignment

A player can request to be reassigned to play on a different team for the next subsequent season. The player can make the request to his current team captain or to the League Operator. The League Operator will review these requests to insure that the neither the teams nor the league will be adversely effected by the change in assignment.

2-3.4 Captain Requests a Player Transfer

A team captain can request the transfer of a player currently on the roster of another team to that captain's roster (See Player Transactions below)

2-4. Player Transactions

Player transactions may also be initiated by a team captain. A team captain that would like to acquire a player from another team in the league must first request permission of the desired player's current captain to invite the player to play on the new team. If the player's current captain refuses to allow the new captain to discuss the matter with the player then the new captain can request the same permission from the League Operator. The League Operator will consider the proposed transaction and consider any and all adverse effects on the player, the teams, and the league. The decision of

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the League Operator will be final.

2-5. Tampering

Team captains should not tamper with the roster of any other team in the league by inviting any player to switch teams. All transactions will take effect no earlier than the next subsequent season and should be proposed in time to allow the effected team to find a suitable replacement player.

Local Rules Section 3 - Expense

3-1. Annual BCA National Fee

BCA Pool League annual membership dues are only \$15 per year. Each league "year" starts June 1 and ends May 31. A league membership allows you to enjoy all the benefits of league play, including the opportunity to qualify for local, state, regional, and national tournaments

3-2. Prize Fund

Currently, there is a fee of \$10 for the prize fund. The fee covers the expense of the awards party dinner for the member. If a member plays in more than one division there is only one \$10 fee. If the member wishes to bring a guest to the dinner an additional \$10 fee will be assessed.

Local Rules Section 4 - Play

4-1. Day and Time

The 8-Ball division plays every Thursday evening. The start of play is at 7:00 PM. Players should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of play

4-2. Location

Five recreation centers are currently used: Allamanda, Canal Street, Chatham, Hibiscus, and Odell.

4-3. Beginning a match

The recreation centers are reserved for league play from 6:30 until 9:30 PM. Practice is permitted prior to the matches from 6:30 PM until 7:00 PM. Match play begins at 7:00 PM. Play proceeds, round by round, in the order shown on the score sheet with no

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players playing out of order

4-4. Late Arrival

If a player arrives late, that player may begin play starting with the opposing player that is indicated on the score sheet for the round that is currently being played. If all games for which players are present in any given round conclude before the player arrives, the opposing team player that is scheduled to play the missing player receives a win by forfeit (indicated as WF on the score sheet) and the missing player receives 0 points for that round.

4-5. Rescheduling

Every attempt to play a match on its scheduled date must be made. If a match cannot be played on a given date because one or both of the teams cannot field at least four players then the captains must attempt to find a date to reschedule the match that is agreeable to both captains. All rescheduling of matches must be by mutual consent of both team captains and the league operator. Rescheduled games must be made up within a week of the originally scheduled date. In the event that the team captains cannot agree to a mutually acceptable date within one week after the originally scheduled date, the league operator may assign a date. Once the match has been rescheduled the teams must be present at the time and place of the rescheduled match. As long as at least one player from each team is present the match will be played with the players that are present. If only one team is present that team shall win its games by forfeit. A team that has a player present playing against a player that is not present will be awarded a win by forfeit. If neither team has any players present on the assigned date and time no points will be awarded to either team.

4-6. Handicap

The 8-Ball division plays with a 100% handicap as provided by the Leaguesys scoring system.

1. Players that are new to the league and that have not established a handicap in the league will be assigned a handicap equal to the score that they achieve on their first night of play for their first night of play. Subsequently, their handicap is determined by the score keeping system.

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Local Rules Section 5 - Captain's Responsibilities

5-1. Schedule

It is the responsibility of the team captain to make sure that the players on the team are aware of the schedule with concern for location, date, and time.

5-2. Substitutes

Each captain should make it clear to his players that it is essential to obtain a substitute player when the player must be absent for a given match. The captain can look for a suitable substitute or have the player find the substitute. Any player that is currently a member of the BCA Pool League can be used as a substitute. Players that are not currently a member of the BCA Pool League are not eligible to be used as a substitute and will not have their scores entered if used.

5-3. Submit Team Roster

Prior to the start of each season it is the responsibility of the team captain to submit a team roster sheet (available on the Links page of the website) along with the associated fees. The captain should collect the fees from his returning members prior to the awards party and arrive early at the awards party to pay for the team. The captain should indicate which players have paid their local prize fund fee, their national BCA membership fee, and which members are already currently paid national BCA members.

5-4. Score Sheet

It is the responsibility of the home team captain to provide a score sheet for the match. The score sheets are available on the website: <http://thevillagesbca.com>. The visiting captain should bring a score sheet as well, just in case the home team forgets to bring one.

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Local Rules Section 6 - Score Keeping

6-1. Order of teams

The home team players should be listed on the left side of the score sheet. The visiting team players are listed on the right side of the score sheet.

6-2. Order of players

The home team captain will list their players on the score sheet and then allow the visiting team captain to list the visiting players on the score sheet.

6-3. Scoring each game

Care must be taken when entering scores to ensure that the scores are entered properly in the boxes for the proper players.

6-4. Indication of a win or loss

For each game that a player wins, his team is credited with 10 points. The score sheet should be marked with the following indication depending on the type of win:

6-4.1 Normal Win

A normal win should be indicated on the score sheet by entering the number **10**.

6-4.2 Break and Run

A break and run out should be indicated on the score sheet by entering **BR**. There is no need to also enter the number 10.

6-4.3 Run Out

A run out should be indicated on the score sheet by entering **RO**. There is no need to also enter the number 10.

6-4.4 Win Zip

A win zip is a game in which all of the opponent's balls remain on the table at the completion of the game. A win zip is indicated by entering a **WZ** on the score sheet. There is no need to also enter the number 10.

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6-4.5 Win by Forfeit

When a member of the opposing team is not present the team is credited with 10 points for each player that is present in the round where the two players should have played. The win by forfeit is indicated by entering **WF** on the score sheet. There is no need to also enter a 10. Wins that a player receives due to a win by forfeit are not included in the players individual handicap calculation.

Local Rules Section 7 - Sportsmanship

When playing any of the billiard sports good sportsmanship is a must. Players should exercise good sportsmanship at all times. This includes notifying your opponent of any fouls or rules violations that you have committed and notifying your opponent that he has ball in hand. League play is governed by the BCA Pool League Rules.