



Recreational Athletics Intramural Sports



BILLIARDS RULES

A. PLAYERS

1. All games are 1 on 1
 - a. 2 on 2 for doubles divisions
 - i. Players must alternate shots during game play.

B. EQUIPMENT

1. IM Sports Office will provide game balls and cue sticks.
2. Team shirts subject to IM Sports approval.

C. GAME PLAY

1. Game Time/Game Setup

- a. Games are best 2 out of 3.
- b. There is no time constraint on games.
- c. A coin flip will determine opening break.
- d. Balls will be arranged in a triangular rack at the start of play. The 8 ball will be in the center and the other balls randomly placed within the triangle. The apex (head ball) shall be lined up on the foot spot. The cue ball shall be placed behind the head spot with the opening break being shot from anywhere behind the head string.

2. Summary of Rules of Play

- a. Goal: Legally pocket all 7 balls of your designated suit (Solid or Stripes) followed by the 8 ball.
 - i. The suits are designated off of the opening break.
 - 1) If balls of both suits are pocketed during the opening break then the shooter shall choose which suit they will assume. (Note: All balls pocketed during the opening break stay pocketed besides the 8 ball and cue ball.)
 - 2) If no suit is pocketed during the opening break then the table is considered "open" until a player pockets a ball. The player will then assume the suit of the ball that they pocketed.
 - 3) If the 8 ball is pocketed during the opening break then the balls are re-racked and the opposing player will have the right of the opening break.
 - ii. Shots do not have to be called when shooting at balls of your suit.
 - 1) Shots have to be called and a pocket must be chosen when shooting the 8 ball.
 - If the 8 ball is shot into a pocket other than the designated pocket then the player who shot will automatically lose that game.

3. Violations and Penalties

- a. Scratch
 - i. Pocketing the cue ball.
 1. Any ball of the shooter suit pocketed along with the cue ball shall remain pocketed.
 2. Possession of the cue ball will switch to the opposing player.
 - a. Player must set the cue ball behind the head or foot string.
- b. Foul
 - i. Results in automatic loss
 1. Player pockets 8 ball before their other 7 balls.
 2. Player pockets 8 ball in pocket other than the called pocket.

3. Player scratches cue ball while the 8 ball is the object of the shot.
4. Pockets the 8 ball without calling a pocket.
5. Jumping the 8 ball off the table
 - a. Any other balls jumped off the table shall be placed back on the table at the spot that it was in contact with the table last.

D. SPORTSMANSHIP

1. All individuals participating in intramural sports are subject to the Drexel University Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards handbook. Issue of harassment, violence, disorderly conduct or detrimental behavior will be reported and handled according to university protocol
2. Ejections:
 - a. Students will be ejected and suspended one game if the Game Staff on duty deems appropriate.

<p style="text-align: center;">Remember the Sportsmanship Policy! <i>Consult IM Sports Office.</i></p>
