

9-BALL SHOOTOUT SINGLES REGIONAL

PLAYERS MEETING NOTES

Welcome to the **APA's 2025 Fall 9-Ball Shootout Singles Regional for Central Ontario**. The tournament director is Julie Rambali. There are players from Toronto and Peel so good luck to everyone and congrats on making it to the Singles Regional. Please sign-in the moment you arrive and collect your participation patch. You are just a few short victories away from a trip to the APA Poolplayer Championship in Las Vegas in April, including travel assistance and free lodging at the Westgate Resort & Casino.

The tournament boards are separated into Skill Level tiers. The National APA Office has seeded the bracket prior to the start of the event to ensure that players of similar ability are placed near each other. We're advancing a total of **3 (three) 9-Ball winners**.

Skill Levels were locked by the APA on Thursday morning when online registration closed. All winners skill levels will be reviewed following each match and after this entire Regional event is over. If a player's skill level goes up, they simply play the match to the appropriate race and will not be moved over to the next bracket.

Each player represented has an accurate skill level. They've been certified and reviewed by the APA Handicap Review Committee. Please do not complain about someone's skill level just because they had a good game. If a 2 or 3 has a good game it does not mean they should be move up to a 4 or 5 anymore than if a 6 or 7 has a bad game that they should be moved down to a 5 or 6.

Spectators may not sit next to you or mark for you unless both players agree to it. There's plenty of seating at a fair distance. Coaching is not permitted. Violations of this rule could result in a foul being called. Please do not distract your opponent while they're shooting and stay out of their line of sight. If you require a referee to watch a shot or verify a rule, please come to the control table and we'll gladly assist.

Loud, abusive, profane language, unsportsmanlike conduct directed toward an opposing player, referee, League Operator or Tournament Director will not be tolerated. Anyone involved in either physical abuse, violence or throwing/breaking an item, extremely disruptive behaviour will be disqualified immediately and get banned from the tournament site. Rulings based on video footage is not allowed in the CPA/APA. Drinking alcohol in the parking lot or bringing it into the venue is prohibited. No equipment is to be rested on or left on top of the pool tables.

Practice is not allowed due to the size of this tournament unless you have a Bye or a long wait and if tables are available. Jump shots are not allowed at this Host Location. No masse with the cue above the shoulder is allowed so around a 45 degree angle is fine for masses. Please keep the length of your matches reasonable to 20-30 seconds per shot. Excessive or deliberate slow play may result in penalties being called according to the Rules of Conduct especially if you are warned more than twice.

The Tournament Structure is Modified Single Elimination which gives you two chances to play and not necessarily two chances to lose unless you have a Bye and your next opponent is a no show, it's unfortunate but it can happen. Lag to determine who breaks first and after that, game winner breaks. If the lag is too close to determine, please re-lag. Fill in your name, player number, and the number of balls required to win on the scoresheet.

Any player caught fraudulently keeping score by adding innings, altering scoresheets in any way, or marking scoresheets in a way that does not reflect the play that occurred on the table is subject to disqualification. Rack for your opponent and if they request a re-rack, please do so as kindly as possible because you could also have the same request.

Please be patient while waiting for your next match and listen for your match to be called nearby the control table. It's continuous play so please be ready to play, do not go outside for a smoke just before your match is about to begin or in the middle of it. If you go outside for a long period of time after your match is over, please come back to the control table and check to see if you have a match. Forfeits will be declared 15 minutes after a match has been called.

The winning player must make sure the scoresheet is signed by both players with the winner circled and brought back to the control table. Please make sure to mark innings and defensive shots as accurately as possible and total the innings. As scoresheets are turned in, the brackets will be updated as soon as possible.

We have APA patch rewards for 9-on-the-Snap and Break-and-Runs so please claim them when you submit the scoresheet.

Win or lose, please practice good sportsmanship, have fun, and best of luck everyone!

Singles Regional Tournament Rules: <https://poolplayers.com/apa-regionals-rules>