

## BCA Sanction Fees / and Eligibility at A Glance

As each and every one of us try to enjoy the game of Billiards in Amarillo we continue to grow the sport and the number of leagues has also grown. With the number of leagues in Amarillo some confusion has taken place over who can play with whom and which league must I sanction under? To try and answer some of these questions with the assistance of each league we have put this little information document together and hopefully will be posted on each leagues website in the near future.

1. How much is the BCA sanction fee? **\$15.00**
2. Must I sanction in each league I play in 9 ball and 8 ball? **No once a sanction is paid in any BCA associated league you do not have to sanction for any other BCA league you may participate in.**
3. When is the sanction fee due? **Sanction fees are due the first night of play in all Amarillo leagues.**
4. If I am sanctioned in 9 ball can I play in an 8 ball Las Vegas National event? **Yes you can once you are sanctioned in any BCA associated league you can play in any venue offered as a BCA event. This means if you only play in 9 ball you can still play in 8 ball events and if you sanctioned in 8 ball you can play in 9 ball events as well.**
5. If I sanctioned in 9 ball can I play in a Las Vegas National event with players who have sanctioned in 8 ball or vice versa?
  - There are no three original player rules for women's teams, and they are now four-person teams. Each five-person men's/mixed team must consist of at least three original players from their local league team. **All players and alternates must have played in a minimum of eight full regularly scheduled league matches played over a minimum of eight weeks during a sanctioned session within the same division.**
    - What this means is if you plan on playing in any BCA associated 9 ball or 8 ball Las Vegas National event. There must be with the exception of a Women's team 3 original players from the same team. **Teams can pick up players who have played at least 8 weeks within the same sanctioned league number. (The additional players do not have to have played on the same team as the original 3 however must have played a minimum of 8 weeks under the same league number as the originals)**
  - **Example:** You have paid your sanction in one of the 8 ball leagues and play 9 ball as well. You have played at least 8 weeks in both 8 ball and 9 ball. The team going to play in one of the Las Vegas National events is your 9 ball team. Although you have paid your sanction fee in the 8 ball league you are still considered one of the original players on the 9 ball team since you have completed your 8 weeks of play. You can participate in the event with this or any other team that has 3 original players on it and needs you as the extra as long as those players are from the same league number.
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6. I only play in one league can I play in a Las Vegas National event with players from another league? **The only way this can be accomplished is if the other players have played at least 8 weeks under the league number in which you play. (Reminder 3 original players must come from the same league number and team.)**

The easiest way to understand you eligibility with BCA is this. (See chart next page)

1. **Understand with the exception of the Women's teams each team must consist of 3 original from the same team and any additional players must have played at least 8 weeks under the same league number....**
2. Pay your sanction as soon as possible with a sanctioned BCA league.
3. Play a minimum of 8 weeks in as many leagues as you wish
4. Plan on participating in a Las Vegas National event
5. If the players you would participate in a Las Vegas National event only participate in one league (Ensure you have your 8 weeks in that league as well)

**Notice:** This information is for BCA sanctioned leagues only. Covering the requirements of the Las Vegas Nationals:

**PLEASE UNDERSTAND STATE TOURNAMENT REQUIREMENTS AND/OR OTHER NATIONAL EVENTS MAY DIFFER. STATE AND/OR OTHER NATIONAL EVENTS COULD REQUIRE YOU OR YOUR TEAM TO HAVE PLAYED IN THE VENUE WHICH IS BEING OFFERED.**

## Eligibility Chart

After much consideration and consultation with BCA Pool League Operators CSI has made the following changes effective with the 35th BCAPL National 8-Ball Championships May 13-21, 2011 at the Riviera Hotel & Casino.

### Mixed Open Teams (5 person teams)

- 1 - No Masters or Grand Masters
- 2 - One (1) Advanced Player is allowed on a Mixed Open Team. [Advanced and Master List](#)
- 3 - Teams must have at least three (3) original players from their local league team
- 4 - Three original players must play in each round
- 5 - All players must come from the same league number

### Women's Open Teams (4 person teams)

- 1 - No Masters or Grand Masters
- 2 - One (1) Advanced Player is allowed on a Women's Open Team. [Advanced and Master List](#)
- 3 - There is no original player requirement for Women's Open Teams
- 4 - All players must come from the same league number

### Mixed Trophy Teams (5 person teams)

- 1 - No Advanced, Master or Grand Master players are allowed on Trophy Teams
- 2 - Teams must have at least three (3) original players from their local league team
- 3 - Three original players must play in each round
- 4 - All players must come from the same league number
- 5 - Trophy Team players cannot have cashed in any division in any previous BCAPL National 8-Ball Championships
- 6 - Teams that placed in the top eight (8) of the Mixed Trophy Team division are not allowed to return to the Trophy division
- 7 - A team may return if they have two (2) or fewer members from a previous top eight (8) finishing team

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### Open Scotch Doubles (One Male and One Female)

- 1 - Both members of an Open Scotch Doubles Team must come from the same BCAPL sanctioned league number
- 2 - Both players must be Open Players

For further information you can also visit the BCA website under league policies @ [Play BCA](#)

**For questions please contact an AMARILLO BCA LEAGUE COORDINATOR....These qualifications cover Las Vegas National requirements only...**