



2025-2026 Information Sheet

Changes to pool player's handbook



1) **FORMING A TEAM:** If having Any player with CSR 1700 or higher must be submitted on original roster. (Exception Wed "Any CSR" & Thurs FTCL Pinnacle leagues.) **Cannot add players with CSR 1700 or higher after roster deadline date.** It is the team's responsibility to make sure their team and all players are legal for the league in which they want to play.

2) **Handicap:** The handicap for the leagues will be by CSR values. Handicap based on CSR values automatically gives 1 point per 65 team difference, rounded to the nearest whole number. Maximum of 15 points per round for 5 person team, maximum 12 points for 4 person leagues, 9 points per round for 3-person team, and maximum 6 points for doubles leagues.

In the any league that has divisions, lower division teams will not spot higher division teams any handicap.

If a player has no CSR value delete out opponents highest CSR value. Once a player achieves 2.5 Rating Star status (approx. 4 weeks, exhibition night counts as 1 week), then they will have a CSR value for handicaps.

If a player does **not** have an established CSR but has an alternate ranking, consult with the league office for a conversion to ensure it is appropriate for the league. Players of known ability without an established CSR or alternate rating may be assigned a CSR range till they establish a CSR.

3) **SETTING LINE-UPS:** 20 game format -Captains will match players CSR value with line on score sheet for that players average. In case of matching CSR values order does not matter, among those with same CSR.

4) **Rule Play Change:** VNEA no longer has the pocket marker (a.k.a. patch) rule. When shooting at the 8-ball no longer need to designate the pocket by using a marker (patch).

5) **Amount Due weekly per team,** previous leagues with \$6 fees will now be \$7, for a slight increase in end of season payouts.

6) **Adding a player to your team before a match that was not on your submitted roster:** If you have a **new** player that is not in system, you must contact the league office (970-391-7664) to add the player to your team so they will show up in your drop down list of players on the score sheet.

If entering a player not on your team but has played before with BMW, make sure to select the correct player from the drop down list. You can no longer add this person as a new player, as it will skew their CSR and the handicap. It is very important to select the correct person for CSR & handicap. If wanting to make sure the correct player is added, contact the league office (970-391-7664) at least one day prior to match and league office will add the correct player to your team.

7) **Regular Players:** **Certain leagues have restrictions on players CSR values that can play as a regular.** Tuesday FTCL, Wed FTCL 3 Person, Thurs FTCL Elite Div I and Thurs Greeley Div I all have Limit 1 CSR 1700-1799, no 1800 or higher players. The player with CSR 1700-1799 must be listed on the original roster turned into the league office at the beginning of the league season.

A players with CSR 1700-1799 can not be added to a team during the middle of a season, unless replacing the player that had CSR 1700-1799 already listed on the team, and approved of by the league office.

No players with CSR 1700 and above can play as a regular or sub in the Thurs FTCL Elite Div II and Thurs Greeley Div. II leagues.

Tues. Greeley restrictions: Div. I+ Limit of 3 CSR 1700-1799 players per team or limit 1 CSR 1800 & higher plus 1 CSR 1700-1799 per team, Div. I Limit of 1 CSR 1700-1799 player per team, no 1800 or higher players, Div. II No CSR 1700 or higher players.

Thursday FTCL Pinnacle (formerly A) league has limit of Limit of 2 CSR 1800-1899 per team, no 1900 or higher players). The 1800-1899 players must be listed on the original roster turned into the league office at the beginning of the league season. A player of 1800-1899 can not be added to a team during the middle of a season, unless replacing a 1800-1899 already listed on the team, and approved of by the league office.

The Wednesday Any CSR leagues do not have any restrictions on the CSR values of players on a team.

If a player does **not** have an established CSR but has an alternate ranking, consult with the league office for a conversion to ensure it is appropriate for the league. Players of known ability without an established CSR or alternate rating may be assigned a CSR range.

If a player's CSR rises above the league limit during the season, they will not be expelled from the league and can complete the season with their team. Registering for a league and having a team within legal CSR values does not guarantee that your team won't be moved up or down a division if multiple divisions are offered on that night. Players close to CSR limits may be allowed to play based on their previous history. Any exceptions need to be approved by the league office.

8) Substitutes: **WHEN A SUB CAN PLAY (not including position or playoff nights):**

For leagues that have CSR restrictions subs need to be within the below ranges.

Regular players with CSR values 1699 and below, subs need to be below 1699.

Regular players 1700-1799, can have subs 1799 and below.

Regular players 1800 and above, can have subs 1899 and below.

Players that have not yet established CSR (less than 2.5 star), can have subs 1699 and below.

Illegal sub: If a team knows the other team has an illegal player, they must inform opposing team that night that they have an illegal player. To give them options to change player.

9) SUB with no established CSR: A sub with no established CSR, will cross out against highest CSR player of the opposing team for handicap. This will need to be done manually by deleting out the highest CSR. If there is a sub on each team with no CSR, they would cross out each others no CSR.

Sub on the Wed "Any CSR" leagues: CSR 1700+ player can sub anytime during the season, exception position & play-off nights. Position night 1700+ player can sub if played 1/3 of the season with that team. Otherwise no 1700+ can sub for a 1699 and below player on position night.

10) **SUB ON POSITION NIGHT:**

On the last night of play for any half/third (usually called position night), a team can only bring in subs that have played a minimum of 4 weeks anywhere in the BMW league system for 2025-2026 (summer session weeks count) and sanctioned. **And their CSR needs to be within in legal range.** Range level of CSR on position night for players with CSR value 1450 and below can add 100 to CSR to find sub, CSR 1451 to 1500 can add 50 points, 1551 to 1650 add 20 points, 1651 and above sub needs to be same CSR value or lower. If the sub has a lower CSR, must use the CSR of the missing regular player. Can not gain handicap points for using a sub on position night.

11) VNEA World Championships in Vegas will now be broken into 4 levels based on CSR. Teams can be comprised of any 5 players (Women's 4 players) from within our BMW league system. No longer need 2 original members. All players will need to have 12 weeks played.

2025-2026 Information Sheet—Important guidelines to remember

(See BMW Players Handbook for complete booklet on guidelines & policies)

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1) **Sanction fees \$30.00 per person.** Includes a \$6 Compusport fee. Players that play in week #1 of the season qualify to pay the special **"Start Up Discount" sanction fee of \$25 per person.** Pay sanction fees through Compusport app. In app on match details go to "Pay My Fees". Make sure your are in the current correct event, "BMW Billiards 2025-2026 Season & Summer 2025". In Compusport app can update email, phone number, city & state through your settings account. If paid in summer, is valid for fall/winter season.

All subs must pay sanction fee by their third match played.

2. **REGULAR PLAYERS:** Team can have more than 5 regular players. **Placing a person on your roster does not make that person a regular player.** To be considered a regular player that person must have played comparatively equal number of games.

3. **PLAY STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.** (Except Sun. Doubles, Longmont, senior leagues)

All line-ups need to be finished by 7:00 P.M. and play started. It is recommended captain or team representative show up 10 to 15 minutes before start time to fill out score sheet and make sure all players pay their fees.

4. **All games MUST be played on BMW BILLIARDS operator owned equipment.** Even one game played on a non-operator owned table will result in both players disqualification as VNEA members. Both players lose all rights to compete in any VNEA Rocky Mountain or national tournaments.

5. **EXHIBITION/SANCTION NIGHT:** The exhibition/sanction night will be the first week during regular season. On exhibition night only the sanction fees and the quarters for the games need to be paid. Not the regular weekly fee. Teams will not receive any round wins or points, just players individual points will be counted.

6. Additional information on paying: Pay weekly fee through Compusport app with credit card per player or for entire team, per each league night. With app you can pay weekly, or multiple weeks at a time, or pay for fellow members of your team. In app on match details go to “Pay My Fees”. Make sure your are in the current correct event, “BMW Billiards 2025-2026 Season & Summer 2025”.

Tip: Have team ante up monthly and get a reloadable gift card for paying the fee weekly. Thereby not leaving one player with credit card to pay off.

Captains are responsible for making sure all your teammates are paying their fees. Can check in Compusport under “Pay My Fees” or check the stats team/player column of amount paid. Under teams also shows amount owed.

Players Responsibility: If giving the weekly fee to one person and relying on them to pay fee it is your responsibility to check and make sure that person is paying fees. BMW Billiards is not responsible for a member on the team keeping the money and not paying the fees. Can easily check to make sure payments are being paid by looking at team & player stats and seeing amount paid by each players names or checking the “my to dos” area.

If wanting to pay fees through your desktop computer go to www.compusport.us, log in and make sure to select “Launch Player App”.

Any player on a team with missing fees will not be eligible to participate in any of the VNEA following tournaments: Rocky Mtn. Singles, Rocky Mtn. Team, BMW player’s tournament and VNEA World Championships.

PRE-PAY CASH FOR THE ENTIRE SEASON: A player can pre pay the regular weekly fee for the entire season in cash or check on the first week of the season. Can leave payment on that first week at one of the collection sites. **Ft. Collins/Loveland collection locations** (put envelope in drop boxes): **Emporium** (Ft. Collins), **Match-Ups** (Ft. Collins), **Matt’s Place** (Ft. Collins), **Night Shotz** (Loveland) & **Pitchers** (Ft. Collins). For **Greeley contact league office at 970-391-7664 for drop off locations**. Contact the league office to notify envelope has been left at 970-391-7664. The typical fall/winter league has 24 payable weeks, although there may be a BYE in league. This is only for the first week of the season. Weekly envelopes are **NOT** being picked up!

Note: If have pre paid for nightly fees on app, will need to pay for position night when position night matches are scheduled. Can not pre pay for position night as it is not yet a scheduled match.

7) Violation of not paying league fees weekly: Teams not paid in full by one week from match date will have their rounds wins for that week subtracted from that score sheet. And lose those round wins. Teams will not be able to get those round wins back. (Opposing team would not get those round wins.) This feature in Compusport will be enforced after the 3rd week of play in the fall/winter season.

The league office is not responsible for calling/texting to warn teams of shortages before subtracting them. It is the *CAPTAIN’S* responsibility to make sure all team members are paid. Captains by the end of the match need to make sure everyone has paid or that the designated “payer” has paid for the entire team.

8. Score Keeping: All pool matches MUST be entered into Compusport by score keepers.

Score sheets will not be picked up weekly, you do not need to turn in a copy of score sheet. We urge score keepers to input scores as you are playing and send match results for approval while opposing score keeper is with you. If there are any issues score keeper can accept or decline while still there in person and any issue can be resolved while both teams are together. There may be times during match play when scores can’t be entered i.e. no internet, forgot cell phone at home, dead battery on phone, etc. In these situations keep hard copies. For a back up to paper copy (in case it gets lost), both captains/score keepers should take photo of score sheet at end of match to complete score sheet entering later that evening. To make entering score sheet easier can have multiple score keepers on team. **Remember league office will not have a copy to input any scores, it is the teams responsibilities to make sure scores get entered & approved. Match needs to be entered into Compusport within 24 hours of completion of match.** Either home or visiting score keeper can enter match. Please communicate with the opposing team on who will be entering match. If a score sheet has to be denied, make sure to keep the reply polite and detailed with exactly what is incorrect. League office does receive a copy of all rejection emails, so remember good sportsmanship.

Score sheets are available in pdf format on BMW’s website (bmwbilliards.com) and in Compusport app under “Rules & Documents”.

9. PLAYER BANNED FROM BAR: If a player has been banned (86'd) from a location, they must find a legal sub when they are to play at that bar.

10. PLAYING AT A DIFFERENT LOCATION THEN SCHEDULED: If a team contacts opposing team and moves match without approval of scheduled home bar & the league office, the home team will receive all loses for that night. If a team wants to move a match must contact home bar & league office for approval from both.

11. TEAM WANTS TO CHANGE HOME LOCATION AFTER LEAGUE STARTS: If a team wants to change home bars after the league is in progress, the team must first contact the league office. Then contact current home bar location. It is only with the approval of the current bar location that a team can move to a different bar.

12. FORFEITING IN THE LAST 4 WEEKS OF SEASON-AUTOMATIC LOSS OF PAYBACK: If forfeiting in the last 4 weeks of the season it will be automatic loss of all payback pending discretion of the players advisory board.

13. COMPUSPORT (More info): If you have not downloaded the app, all players (not just the captain & score keepers) should download the Compusport app. The app is available on smart phones go to your app store to download. Set up your player log in and then select the correct BMW league season ("BMW Billiards 2025-2026 Season & Summer 2025") and type in your name and click you play in this league. This will enable you to receive notifications on matches, where your team will be playing on a position night & upcoming tournament dates and deadlines. For every new BMW league season you will need to login to new season icon and follow yourself. (Similar to following yourself at a new tournament.) If paying your nightly fee to a designated "payer", you should check your "Pay My Fees" to confirm your payment is being processed.

There is a free basic plan or can upgrade and pay yearly or monthly. Essential is 0.99 a month/\$5.04 for a year, Premium \$3.99 a month/\$30 a year. Premium has a lot of information including CSR information and leader-board, league history, chart on players stats, unlimited follow players, etc. Premium package to have more features added soon.

14. SPORTSMANSHIP: All players and teams should display good sportsmanship at all times. This includes positing negative comments on social media sites about a team/player is bad sportsmanship and will result in actions taken by the advisory board ranging from a warning to be expelled from the league.

15. RECORDING ERO'S & TR'S: Compusport enter feats ERO, 8-ball break, Table Run in box below score.

ERO: EIGHT BALL RUN OUT. The only time a player may achieve an ERO is in his first approach, with 15 balls on the table. If the breaker runs out and wins the game from the break, it's an ERO. If the breaker does NOT make any object balls, his opponent will have a shot at an ERO. He must pocket his 7 object balls and the 8-ball without a miss.

TR: TABLE RUN. A players first attempt at table and less than 15 balls are on table and player runs all of his balls off the table and pockets the 8-ball, in one turn at the table.

It is required that all ERO's & TR's must be recorded on the score sheet. If a team is deliberately not tracking ERO's/TR's, all players on that team will be placed in a minimum of the "Elite" division for tournaments. Any team not tracking ERO's/TR's needs to be reported to the league office.

16. MAKE-UP GAMES (For complete stipulations see Player Guide page 10)

1. **EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY SITUATIONS:** a. Emergency: If you have to cancel a match because of a snowstorm, etc. the captain of team canceling must notify the team they are playing that night, the league office, and the bar where they are to play. In emergency situations the opposing team must agree to a make up match. b. **If there is a non-emergency situation league office & opposing team needs to be contacted a minimum of 5 days prior to the match. Opposing team needs to agree to schedule a make up game.** c. If you have a last minute non-emergency situation: You can ask the team if they would schedule a make up game with you. They do **NOT** have to reschedule. If they say no to the make-up you must find subs and play the match, if they do agree to the make up you must make sure to set a date for that make-up match.

Make -Ups Games: If playing a make up match contact league office to confirm tables are available and no regular match is scheduled. Very important to let bars know date of make up match and get their approval. Regular scheduled matches for that night have priority on tables over make up games.

17. VEGAS TRAVEL FUND: Any qualified player that goes to International tournament that has registered through BMW for at least one (1) event will be eligible for travel money. If only playing on-site sign-up events in Vegas, like scotch doubles, you must notify the BMW league office by the deadline for regular Vegas entries that you will be there playing in events. If league office is not aware you will be there, do not expect to collect any travel money. As you were not counted in allotment of money to be divided among players for travel fund.