

## **Ask LOLO**

I play on several different teams throughout the week. I have noticed that timeouts are handled differently each night. What are the proper guidelines for timeouts?

Good question! Timeouts should not last longer than 1 minute. Skill levels 3 and below are allowed 2 timeouts per rack. Skill levels 4 and above are allowed 1 timeout per rack. Since anyone on the team can be a coach, if a team member yells timeout, the timeout will be charged to the player. If the player requests a timeout the coach can refuse. Coaches from team not calling the timeout can use this time to talk to that player too but shouldn't get in the way of the coach and player that called timeout.

**Best Practice** (Credit to Torie Woodard for this idea)

All players should know how to keep score. When you have new players give them a blank scoresheet to keep score on while an experienced score keeper keeps actual score. After the match is finished compare the scoresheets and correct any mistakes made and explain what was wrong. Everyone deserves to have fun on their night out and 1 player shouldn't be just keeping score all night. A good idea is that teams start off with a score keeper. For match 1, then the player who played match 1 should keep score for match 2 and so on.

## **ALERT WILL ROBINSON!**

Lee will be having major surgery February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Estimated hospital stay 5-10 days then 2 weeks recovery from home before 1<sup>st</sup> check-up. She will not be allowed to drive for a minimum of 4 weeks and is unsure when she will be able to start back even working from home. ALL phone calls to her phone will automatically be rolled over to Emily. Unfortunately, texts are NOT able to be forwarded so be aware that you will not receive an answer if you text her and she won't be able to forward to the people who can help you in a timely manner.

All rule questions and patches needed should go to Emily @ 256-387-3637. She will be on call every night Monday – Thursday.

Any potential scoresheet/input errors go to Cyndi @ 256-783-5699. This includes audits and incorrect player wins, loses etc. Also any questions about Regional Singles in March and any general league information questions.

The National Office has a Rep who will be overviewing the weekly handicap review but should you have a question regarding your skill level, Cyndi will be able to contact that office staff person and relay your query.

We will do our best to keep your league running as smoothly as you are accustomed to seeing. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time of transition.

## Save the Dates:

January 29<sup>th</sup> – Team Captain Qualifier @ Bumpers. Signups @ 1PM/2PM start

January 29<sup>th</sup> – Splash Board @ Bumpers. Signups @ 3Pm/3:30PM start

February 12<sup>th</sup> - Team Captain Qualifier @ Chips. Signups @ 11AM/12PM start

February 18<sup>th</sup> – Random Acts of Kindness Fundraiser @ Chips. See Flyer for Details

March 4<sup>th</sup> – Spring 8 Ball Regionals @ Chips

March 5<sup>th</sup> – Spring 9 Ball Regionals @ Chips

March 11<sup>th</sup> – Team Captain Qualifier @ Diamonds. Signups @ 11AM/12PM start

April 1<sup>st</sup> – Team Captain Qualifier @ Steve's. Signups @ 11AM/12PM start.

April 15<sup>th</sup> – College Scholarship Fundraiser @ Chips. Details to come later.

May 6<sup>th</sup> – Team Captain Slot Event @ 6Pockets

## **WORLD QUALIFIER DATES:**

May  $19^{th} - 21^{st}$  9 Ball Main @ Bumpers May  $12^{th} - 13^{th}$  Ladies @ Steve's June  $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$  8 Ball Main @ Chips June  $9^{th} - 11^{th}$  8 & 9 Ball Surrounding Area @ 6Pockets