

# McGETTIGAN'S OPEN POOL CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

## QUICK RULES OF POOL

### OBJECT OF THE GAME

- The first player(s) to pot all their own balls followed by the Black 8 Ball wins the frame

### BREAK-OFF

- Break decided by LAG, TOSS or Agreement  
(\*LAG is where both players play a ball from Baulk off the top cushion to get nearest the Baulk cushion – nearest has choice to break or not)
- Cue ball played from behind the Baulk line
- Minimum of 4 object balls must hit cushions and/or be potted – if not re-rack (penalty – 2 visits to opponent)
- Black potted from break – re-rack, no penalty, same player breaks
- Cue ball potted from Break – 1 visit to opponent (unless - minimum of 4 object balls must hit cushions and/or be potted – then 2 visits to opponent)

### DECIDING BALL TYPE - COLOURS/SPOTS/STRIPES/SOLIDS etc.

- Nothing potted from Break – Table is Open
- 1 or more balls potted from break, player MUST verbally select balls
- If a Ball Type which was potted from the break is selected then the player must continue the frame with that type
- If a Ball Type which was NOT POTTED from the break is selected then the table remains open until a ball is potted

### GENERAL PLAY

- Cue ball or Object ball must touch a cushion or be potted on every shot - if not it is a Standard Foul (except if player was snookered)
- Shots from Baulk area can be played in any direction (including after foul shots)
- Snookered after a foul – free ball or “ball in hand” from Baulk area
- Free Ball – player may pot any ball except Black 8 Ball but may play the Black 8 Ball

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**STANDARD FOULS** - "Standard Foul" - 2 visits to opponent (i.e. "shots carry") - **INCLUDING:**

- Hitting opponents ball or Black 8 Ball first with cue ball
- Potting the cue ball or cue ball or any ball leaves the table (object ball leaving the table must be 'spotted')
- Failing to hit own ball first with cue ball
- Potting opponents ball (except in nominated free ball situation)
- Accidentally hitting or touching any ball with the cue, body, clothing
- Jump shot (where a ball avoids hitting another ball by leaving the table surface)
- Coaching

### WINNING AND LOSING THE FRAME

**WINNING THE FRAME:**

- Potting the Black 8 Ball in any unnamed pocket having potted all of your own Ball Type (separate shot)

**LOSING THE FRAME:**

- Potting the Black 8 Ball and fouling in the same shot
- Potting the Black 8 Ball while playing your Ball Type or having your Ball Type remaining on the table
- Deliberately striking balls in any manner not consistent with playing the game (ie hand, arm, cue stem, other object)

**NOTE:** The above rules are synopsized from the "Dubai Pool League - Rules Of The Game" which apply in all cases.