

Seminole County APA 2024/2025 8-Ball and 9-Ball Doubles Division Rules

- **“Monthly” 9Ball Doubles Division:** There will be 12 dates of play scheduled for the league year (March 2024-December 2024). Playoffs will take place in January 2025. The Monthly 9Ball Doubles Division and “Weekly” 9Ball Doubles division will combine to play their Vegas Doubles Division Qualifier (DDQ) in February 2025.
- **“Weekly” 8Ball Doubles Division / “Weekly” 9Ball Doubles Division:** Both divisions are treated as separate divisions from one another. You may play in both “weekly” divisions or just 8Ball or just 9Ball but may participate in only one of the 9Ball Doubles Divisions offered in the league year. Both “weekly” divisions will play alternating weeks of play each month for 14 total weeks of play, per year, per format/division (April 2024-November 2024). Playoffs will take place in November 2024. The 8Ball Vegas Doubles Division Qualifier (DDQ) will take place in December 2024 and the 9Ball Doubles Division Vegas Qualifier (DDQ) will combine the “Weekly” 9Ball Doubles Division qualifiers with the Monthly 9Ball Doubles Division qualifiers to play their DDQ in February 2025.
- Players are not required to play in both the 8Ball and 9Ball Doubles Divisions. Each division will be treated as a separate division with a separate schedule.
- Team fees will be \$30 per team match regardless of the number of matches played.
- Each roster consists of 2-3 players of any gender.
- You will play one team each scheduled date of play in one “weekly” scotch doubles match.
- One “week of play” consists of two standard singles matches and a 2-person scotch doubles match (alternating shots).
- Any two players on the 2-3 player roster, whose combined skill levels do not exceed 10 to begin the session, can play the scotch doubles matches.
- The two players who play the scotch doubles match must then be the players who play each of the singles matches for that “week of play”.
- In a division where teams are allowed to have three players on the roster, any combination of players skill levels must equal 10 or less at the start of the division. Teams will reset at the start of the new League Year. The team will be allowed to continue play in the division if their skill level increases to 11 or 12 by using a modified race chart. If their skill level increases to 13, the team will need to split and/or a replacement of one or both players will have to be made to reduce the team skill level back to 10.
- Players must meet minimum match requirements on the singles side (standard format) to be eligible to advance with the team, or to receive a prize package with the team. There is no minimum match requirement on the doubles side and doubles matches played do not count towards the minimum match requirements. The minimum match requirement is fulfilled on the singles side only.
- Players must have a minimum of 6 singles matches played within the 8Ball and/or 9Ball Doubles Division each session of play. Players must have at least twenty (20) total 8Ball or 9Ball scores (respectively) within the last two (2) years by the entry deadline to be eligible to participate in the DDQ (see the 8Ball or 9Ball Doubles Championship Facts Sheet).
- Scoresheets must be complete in their entirety for all matches, just like any other league match.

- Each individual 9Ball match is worth up to 20 points and the doubles match is worth up to 40 points. A 9Ball team can win a maximum of 80 points per weekly match. Each individual 8Ball match is worth up to 3 points and the doubles match is worth up to 6 points. An 8Ball team can win a maximum of 12 points per weekly match.
- If there is a bye in the division, a bye will be worth 50 points in 9Ball and 6 points in 8Ball.
- If a team must forfeit, 15 points are awarded for a singles 9-Ball match and 2 points for a singles match in 8Ball. The doubles match will be awarded double points = 30 points for the 9Ball Doubles match and 4 points for the 8Ball Doubles match. A maximum of two (2) full-team forfeits will be allowed/session. Any team that exceeds the forfeit maximum may not be eligible for the playoffs or the DDQ. Full Team Fees are due if there is a full team forfeit, and score sheets must be turned in with all fees.
- Bonus points are awarded for doubles in the same fashion as singles (5 points for 9ball and 1 point for 8ball for complete and accurate paperwork, 5 points for 9ball and 1 point for 8Ball for the full team fee paid on time with no past due balance).
- Standard 8Ball and 9Ball rules apply for the singles matches.
- Standard APA Doubles Format rules apply for the Doubles portion of the match: 1 timeout per rack; timeouts can only be between the two players participating in the match, not other players on the roster; it is a foul to shoot out of rotation (only if called by sitting team before second shot is taken), lag is not part of rotation. See the APA Official Team Manual for additional rules pertaining to the APA doubles format.
- Each format (8Ball Doubles or 9Ball Doubles) is playing for a trip to Las Vegas in April 2025 via the Seminole County APA Doubles Division Qualifier. The Doubles Division Qualifier (DDQ) takes place in December 2024 for 8Ball and February 2025 for 9Ball.
 - Each format (8Ball Doubles or 9Ball Doubles) with a combined team count of 10+ teams will be playing for a slot to play in the 8Ball or 9Ball Doubles Championship Tournament in Las Vegas in April 2025.
 - Each format (8Ball Doubles or 9Ball Doubles) with a combined team count of 9 teams or less will be playing for travel assistance to Las Vegas in April 2025 with an opportunity to attend the week's APA events and play in some Mini Mania events.
- Doubles teams advance to the DDQ based on their division standing or by winning a playoff match. The number of teams advancing is determined using the same Playoff/Tri-Cup qualifying structure as standard format divisions, outlined in the Seminole County APA by-laws.
 - There is no Tri-Cup for the DDQ. Teams that would have earned automatic entry to Tri-Cups based on division standings per the standard format by-laws will instead advance directly to the DDQ.
 - If a Playoff match ends in a tie, the team that won the doubles match will be declared the winner.
- The DDQ is played to a single winner.
- Teams with 3 players listed on their roster must choose 2 eligible players to represent their team in the DDQ. Those 2 players will partner and play the DDQ in its entirety as a team. There is no swapping players mid-tournament.
- All players meeting minimum match requirements listed above and who were listed on the roster of the doubles team winning the DDQ will win a trip to Las Vegas in April 2025.

- Only the two players who win the DDQ will play in the APA Doubles Championship, but they will have the rest of their team there to cheer them on!