



SHOOTOUT PROTOCOL

The **winner of the lag that occurred at the beginning of the match** will have the option to choose which player shoots first in the shootout.

The player designated to start the shootout will determine which side of the table that the shootout will start from. Sides will alternate thereafter for each inning.

As an example, when shooting from the left side of the table, the “designated pocket” will be the bottom corner to the right, and vice-versa (refer to images below).

To start, the players will shoot four (4) innings in alternating turns. Both players will get an equal number of turns until one player is mathematically eliminated, or if the initial 4 innings ends in a tie.

If there is no winner after the first four innings, the shootout goes into “Sudden Death”. In this case, the order of play will continue until a player reaches a score that cannot be tied by the opponent in the same inning.

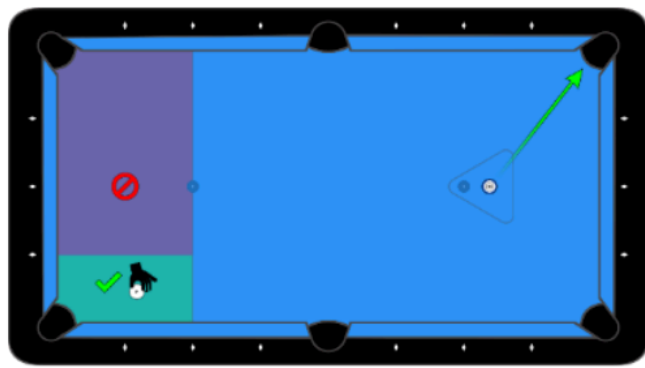
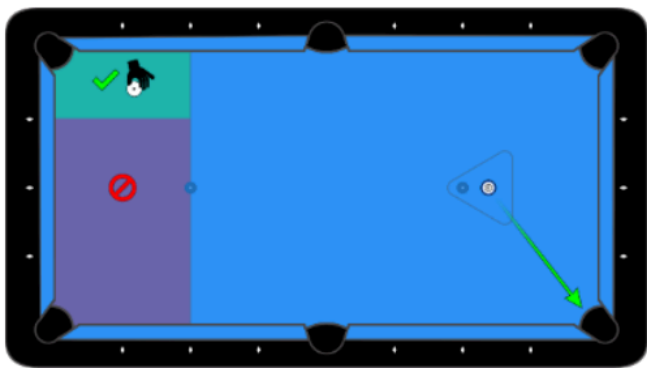
In addition to the WPA rules and regulations, additional rules that are in place to determine whether an inning is considered legal are as follows:

- The execution of the shot must be done within the timeframe that has been determined. This can be based on a shot clock ruling or the decision of the acting referee.
- The object ball must be pocketed in its designated pocket. If the object ball is pocketed in any other pocket, it will be considered as a miss.
- A shot that includes the rails other than incidental contact, being or resembling a bank or a kick, will be considered a miss.

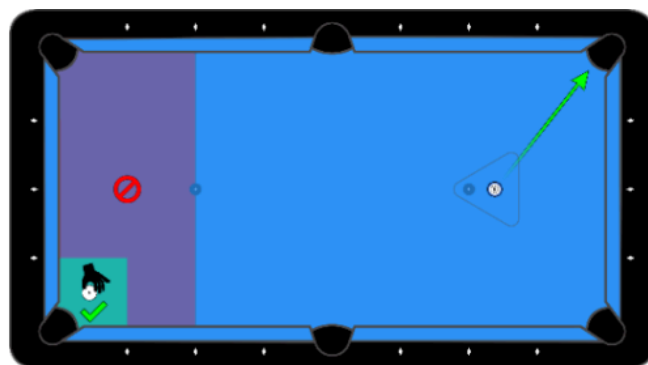
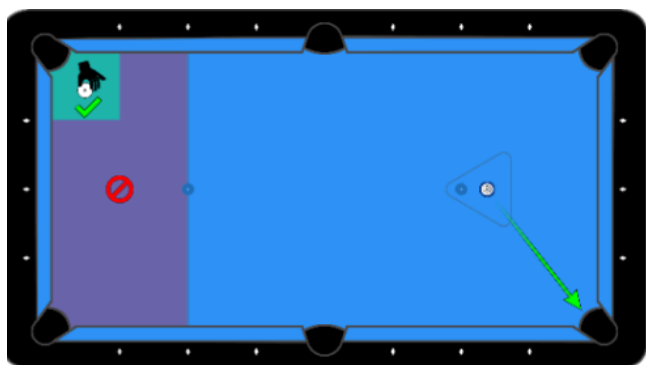
Shootout Zones:

There are two cue ball placement zones used in the shootout. These zones will be marked on the table according to the Predator PBS Table Marking Protocol. The shootout zones will be as follows:

First 4 innings (cue ball behind head string):



Sudden Death (cue ball one diamond behind):



Referee Duties:

- The ten (10) ball must be placed on the spot marked on the table. This marking represents the position of the ten (10) ball when the one (1) ball is racked on the foot spot.
- The ten (10) ball must be spotted with the predator logo facing up.
- For other games using a shootout (i.e. 9 ball or 8 ball), the respective game winning ball will also be placed on this “10 ball spot”.
- No player may approach, inspect or ask for a re-spot.
- Ensure that the base of the cue ball is within the allowed area. While you can confirm proper placement when asked, if not asked you should call a miss if the player shoots from outside the designated area.
- If a player makes the ball, do NOT touch the cue ball until it stops moving. If a player misses the shot it is OK to stop it and proceed setting up for the next shot.

Doubles Matches:

The players nominated to shoot first for each team will shoot the first two innings of the shootout (one shot from **each side of the table** by both players).

After these first two innings have been completed, their respective teammates will shoot the next two innings. This pattern will continue until a team wins.