

BANK POOL

Type of Game

Bank Pool is a game where legally pocketed balls must be banked into the pocket (using one or more banks). Any ball on the table can be selected and the game is call ball-and-pocket. The game may be played with 9 balls, (racked as in the game of Nine Ball but in no specific arrangement), or with 15 balls racked in any 15 ball rack.

Players - Two individuals, or two teams.

Balls Used - Object balls numbered 1-9 or 1-15, plus the cue ball.

The Rack - Standard triangle rack. Balls can be in any order or configuration.

Object of the Game - To be the first player, or team, to legally sink 5 balls from 9-ball rack, or 8 balls from 15 ball rack.

Opening Break - The break shot is "free". If anything is made on the break, the breaker remains at the table. If nothing is made the breaker's inning is over. Any ball made on the break is spotted at the end of the breaker's inning.

Rules of Play - All shots, except opening break, are call ball-and-pocket. A player continues with his inning so long as he makes legal shots.

Illegally Pocketed Balls - Are spotted. If a foul was committed the player must spot an additional ball from those he previously sank, or owe the table a ball (to be spotted immediately after the end of the inning in which he is first able to pay the table).

Jumped Object Balls - Are spotted without penalty.

Cue Ball After Jump or Scratch - Cue ball is put in play from the kitchen. The cue ball coming to rest off of the table bed is considered a foul.

Penalties for Fouls - The player must pay the table a ball. In addition to this any balls sunk on the foul stroke must be spotted.

Successive Fouls - If a player fouls in three successive innings without an intervening legal shot he loses the game.