## Veterans English Billiards League Etiquette Rules

In much the same way as golf, English Billiards demands high standards of etiquette and behaviour from all players, at all levels, at all times. These Rules applies in the same way to a league match as it does to a final match in the Lockwood (Canadian Championship) Tournament.

For League, Play down, Event or Fundraising tournament matches:

- Shake hands with your opponent(s) at the start and end of a match.
- Declare all your own fouls, at all times.
- Do not stand in line of an opponent's shot.
- Do not volunteer remarks about an opponent's luck whilst a match is in progress.
- Do not concede a frame or match when you have missed a shot or whilst your Opponent is still at the table
- Wait for your opponent to finish their visit before conceding.
- Do not complain about playing conditions whilst a match is in progress.
- Do not argue with the your opponent or the referee.
- Do not display anger openly or in an intimidating manner.
- Respect other players and keep noise to a minimum.
- Do not walk past another table whilst someone is playing a shot.
- Respect equipment and leave the table as you would hope to find it.
- Do not flip a coin over the table or leave chalk on the table.

These standards of behaviour are also just as important during practice!

## NOTES:

The IBSF rules are clear on players that openly display anger during a match, it is considered intimidation towards your opponent and/or referee/official.

Open displays of anger go against the organizations that we call home, the ANAF units and Royal Canadian Legions where we play our VEBL matches are based on friendship and a common bond!

All VEBL players should act according to the above Etiquette Rules in an effort to attract more players into the league and to attract sponsors.

Our best players should set the standard for Etiquette in the league and should do their best to inform and teach Etiquette to other league members and new recruits.

