

Keystone TAP Tournament Qualifications and Formats

8 Ball – Effective March 2012

Qualifications

If you qualify for titleholders, your team automatically receives a spot in the Keystone Classic (our National Team Qualifier). If your team does not play in the titleholders you forfeit your Titleholder spot, but you do NOT forfeit the Keystone Classic spot. Teams will be moved up to fill spots at titleholders, but they will not receive Keystone Classic spots.

You must have played 6 matches, per player, each session to qualify to play in the Titleholders, Classic and the National event. You must have 6 matches in the previous 16 weeks prior to the deadline, to play in the National Events. You must be active and on a roster for the Keystone Classic and the national events. This includes Rally in the Valley. The Keystone Classic event is for all of those that qualified for the Summer and Fall of the previous year sessions and the Spring session of that same years National event. Additional details are available under the National rules.

Your team must be paid in full for weekly dues and all memberships must be current, in order to participate in events. If they are not, you will NOT be able to participate.

In 8 Ball Titleholders, we have 2 boards. The Platinum and the Gold. Titleholders is a Round Robin event, with Top 16 points winners advancing, single elimination. Top 8 being paid in each.

In 9 Ball Titleholders, we have 1 board. Titleholders is a Round Robin event, with Top 8 teams advancing, single elimination. Top 4 being paid.

Keystone Classic is Single Elimination. 8 Ball Teams with multiple qualifying spots will be separated by session earned. 9 Ball teams with multiple qualifying spots will all be in one board, until 9 ball gets bigger. Teams may decide how many of their spots they want to try. You do not have to take all spots earned.

Number of teams in each division determines # of teams qualified to go to the Titleholders and Keystone Classic. **In 8 Ball...(Revised 4/2011)**

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| 4-5 Teams | 1 st Place to Platinum, 2 nd Place to Gold |
| 6-7 Teams | 1 st Place to Platinum, 2 nd and 3 rd to Gold |
| 8 Teams | 1 st and 2 nd Place to Platinum, 3 rd and 4 th to Gold |
| 9 Teams | 1 st and 2 nd Place to Platinum, 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th to Gold |
| 10 Teams | 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd Place to Platinum, 4 th , 5 th and 6 th to Gold |
| 11 Teams | 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd Place to Platinum, 4 th , 5 th , 6 th and 7 th to Gold |
| 12 Teams | 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Place to Platinum, 5 th , 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th to Gold |
| 13 Teams | 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Place to Platinum, 5 th , 6 th , 7 th , 8 th & 9 th to Gold |
| 14 Teams | 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , & 5 th Place to Platinum, 6 th , 7 th , 8 th , 9 th & 10 th to Gold |

Invited teams to titleholders will be able to play in titleholders, but will not get a Keystone Classic spot. They are invited to fill out round robin boards to avoid byes. Teams from Gold may be advanced to Platinum board to fill out round robin boards to avoid byes as well.

In 9 Ball, top 3 Teams in each division advance, possibly 4 if needed to fill tournament boards.

Handicaps

For all Keystone TAP Tournaments, whatever the tournament module determines you will be before an event is what you will play as at that event. 8' & 9' Table Handicaps will be adjusted as necessary by the module. 2 (7) Handicap Players can be on the same roster, however, they cannot play in the same rotation in Keystone TAP for week to week, titleholders or Keystone Classic. Only National Events.

Registration / Fees – Due Dates

All rosters and brackets are posted prior to the event on the Keystone TAP Website, under that event page. All registration fees and forms are due at least 2 weeks before the event. No Exceptions can be made, so schedules of the event can be produced and emailed out to all and posted on the Keystone TAP website.

In 8 Ball, 1st Place teams DO NOT pay team registration fee, all other teams pay \$80.00 per team registration fees for the titleholders unless it is paid 2 weeks before Titleholders and then it is only \$65.00. Keystone Classic teams pay \$60.00 per spot. Teams with multiple spots pay \$60.00 for each one at the Keystone Classic.

In 9 Ball, all teams pay \$50.00 per team registration fees for a titleholders held in a host location. Keystone Classic teams pay \$50.00 per spot. Teams with multiple spots pay \$50.00 for each one.

Hotel / Valley Table Event

8 Ball Titleholders and 8 Ball Keystone Classic are played on Valley Tables and are hotel events. Hotel has a room rate negotiated for the event / group. All teams must reserve rooms under the room block, to insure the continuation of a hotel event. Teams that do not reserve under the room block will be disqualified from the event. Food and beverage must be purchased at the venue / hotel. Food from another place CANNOT be brought in. Any charges incurred by the operator from the hotel, due to not meeting the contractual requirements of number of room stays and or food/beverage amount, may be taken out of the prize fund of that event. **(Revised 3/2012)**

Drawing of Brackets

Brackets and Boards are drawn by the tournament and league directors, and / or captains and palyers at a planning meeting, two weeks before the event. Once the brackets are drawn and posted, no changes will be made. If a team does not show up, and creates a bye in the tournament/s, that team may be removed from Keystone TAP.

Website

All updates, rosters, brackets, deadline and information are posted on the website and / or Facebook page.

Prize Schedule – 8 Ball Titleholders

Payouts for the Platinum Board are projected to be the following** ...

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| 1 st Place - \$3,200 | 5 th Place - \$400 |
| 2 nd Place - \$1,600 | 6 th Place - \$400 |
| 3 rd Place - \$800 | 7 th Place - \$400 |
| 4 th Place - \$800 | 8 th Place - \$400 |

Payouts for the Gold Board are projected to be the following** ...

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| 1 st Place - \$1,600 | 5 th Place - \$200 |
| 2 nd Place - \$800 | 6 th Place - \$200 |
| 3 rd Place - \$400 | 7 th Place - \$200 |
| 4 th Place - \$400 | 8 th Place - \$200 |

Prize Schedule – 9 Ball Titleholders

Payouts for the 9 Ball Titleholders board are projected to be the following** ...

1st Place - \$1,000

2nd Place - \$500

3rd Place - \$250

4th Place - \$250

Again, this is a projection based upon each leagues team counts. If team counts are not what is projected, these amounts will be changed. Prize schedule is reflective of the team count. More teams, more payout. Less teams, less payout. This is ever changing. Keystone TAP does reserve the right to adjust the prize pool at any time. Hotel and or host location bills may also be deducted from the prize pool. **(Revised 3/2012)

Prize Schedule – Keystone Klassic

When becoming the winner of the Keystone Klassic, you are now the winners of the National of the National Trip for that year, for Keystone TAP.

Keystone TAP pays for each teams entry fee, travel and rooms at the National event. For every 20-25 teams we have, one team goes to Nationals. Arrangements are made to stay within this per diem. A budget is maintained. All teams and players, get the same trip. Keystone TAP will not pay for trips for spouses, friends, etc. Once the trip is booked and or paid for, if a player or a team does not go, they must reimburse Keystone TAP for the money spent on their trip. **(Revised 3/2012)**

MVP's – Rally in the Valley Singles

Starting in March, 2011 – MVP's for the one session prior to Rally, are given the opportunity to have their registration fee paid for in the singles at Rally in the Valley, by Keystone TAP. For Upper Dauphin, Northumberland and Perry it is the Summer Session. For all other divisions it is the Fall Session. This is an additional program / benefit offered by Keystone TAP to it's members. This may be discontinued at the League Operators discretion. Those advising they will attend and registration fee paid for, if they do not participate must reimburse Keystone TAP for that registration fee. TAP's tournament handicap module determines which handicap the player must play in. (For example: Do not assume if you won the 2/3 MVP that you will play as a 3. If the module determines handicap is a 4, you must play in the 4 bracket as the module calculated as is the same for all handicap brackets.) **(Added 3/2012)**