

ACS Nationals Dress Code

- ***Singles Competition***

- Men and women must wear sleeved shirts of polo/golf-style or button-down style with a conventional fold-over collar. Absolutely no T-shirts allowed. Absolutely no sweats, warm-up suits or jogging suits allowed. Absolutely no headgear allowed with one exception: caps & hats facing forward are permitted. No visors or any other head gear. Ear buds, Bluetooth, cell phones, etc. are not permitted.

- Men must wear long pants, either dress pants or neat, clean, untorn jeans. Women may wear dress pants, Capri-style pants, or neat, clean, untorn jeans. Women may also wear culottes, skirts or sleeved dresses, of conservative length.

- Men and women must wear clean, neat, close-toed shoes at all times. Should a player require a footwear exception for medical reasons, the player must provide a letter on official letterhead from the player's health care provider before the tournament (and keep a copy of the letter in their possession at all times, available for review by a referee, if requested).

- ***Scotch Doubles***

Same requirement as Singles competition. Matching shirts worn by Scotch Doubles teams are preferred, but not mandatory. **BEST DRESSED SCOTCH DOUBLES TEAM AWARDED !**

- ***Team Competition***

- Same guidelines as Singles competition.

- Team shirts are required for all teams during Team competition. **BEST DRESSED MEN'S & WOMEN'S TEAMS AWARDED !**

- Dress code must meet the Singles competition requirements.

- Color and style of team shirts must be matching (except for the players' names) for all team members. This includes front and back of shirts, if they have a logo or monogram.

- Each member of a team must have their own team shirt/blouse. "Borrowing" the shirt of a teammate is not permitted.

- AT THE 2017 NATIONALS! An "Official Event Shirt" (collared and displaying the ACS logo and 2017 ACS Nationals) purchased onsite from the official ACS event apparel supplier will be considered an eligible Team Shirt for any Player on any Team.

- Teams competing in the Second-Chance (Sportsmen) Tournament are not required to meet the "matching shirts" criteria, but the original three players (Open) or two-players (women) must wear matching shirts that meet the team shirt guidelines above.

- ***General***

- The dress code will be in effect and enforced at all times in tournament sections during tournament play. Dress code will NOT be enforced in sections clearly designated for practice and mini-tournaments throughout the Championships. No dress code will be in effect in any section from 2:00 am – 8:00 am daily.

- A player who attempts to compete while not in dress code will be required by a referee to comply with the dress code before continuing to play.

- Any player found in violation of the dress code during match play will be given 15 minutes to correct the violation and return to the match site. If not back in 15 minutes, the player will lose one game of the match and will lose one additional game for each additional 5 minutes until he/she returns. A Team Captain may not substitute another player for a player found in violation of the dress code until after the player returns in proper attire.

- Players or teams may protest an opponent's dress code ONLY BEFORE the match begins.

All players must abide by the tournament dress code. Referees are the final authority on dress code at all times. Referees may require immediate compliance or compliance at their discretion.