Gay Games 9 Billiards Format:

Eight-ball tournaments' preliminary rounds will be held from 9 a.m.-noon on Monday, August 11. Seeded play will run from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Preliminary rounds will consist of three three-game matches for the purpose of seeding. Tournament rounds will begin at 1:00. Format may be single- or double-elimination depending on number of participants. Length of matches will also depend on number of participants (e.g. race to 2, race to 4, etc.) Men and women will compete in separate divisions, as will competitive and recreational players.

Nine-ball tournaments' preliminary rounds will be held from 9 a.m.-noon on Tuesday, August 12. Seeded play will run from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Preliminary rounds will consist of three three-game matches for the purpose of seeding. Tournament rounds will begin at 1:00. Format may be single- or double-elimination depending on number of participants. Length of matches will also depend on number of participants (e.g. race to 2, race to 4, etc.) Men and women will compete in separate divisions, as will competitive and recreational players.

Tournament directors reserve the right to move a player from a recreational to a competitive division if that player is clearly at a competitive level.

Participants in each tournament will be seeded based on their game-winning records in the three preliminary matches. Pairings for the preliminary matches will be announced prior to the start of the tournaments. Players should complete all three games in their preliminary matches even if the same player wins the first two games. If players run out of time in a preliminary round, uncompleted games will not be counted towards their record.

Seeded play matches and byes will be determined by the players' seeding. Tournament brackets will be posted before the tournament begins.

All players are encouraged to compete in both eight-ball and nine-ball tournaments. Tournaments will follow World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA) rules. The rules of the WPA can be found at www.wpa-pool.com. Medals will be presented at the conclusion of each tournament.