

2012



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**ACO Tournament Circuit
Overview**

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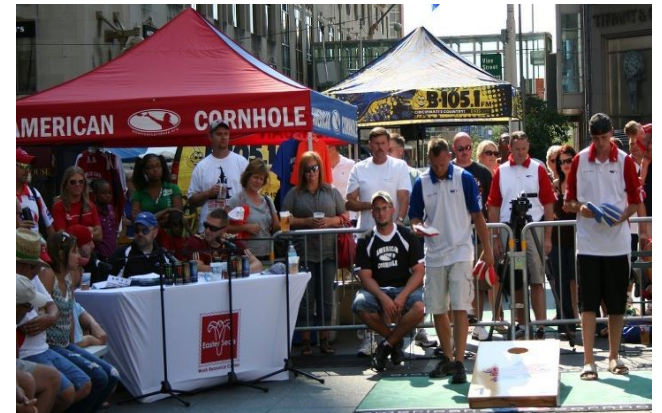
Membership Overview

- \$20 Annual Dues for ACO Membership
- Must be an ACO Member to play points earning tournaments for World Ranking Points
- Member reaching 248+ Singles World Ranking Points, achieving a 120 SCR and playing in (1) ACO Majors will be upgraded to ACO-PRO status for that season and the following
- Member loses ACO-PRO status by achieving less than 248 Singles World Ranking Points, throwing less than 120 SCR or not playing at least (1) ACO Majors
- ACO-PRO's are not permitted to participate in ACO Social Tournaments
- ACO-PRO eligible to acquire pro jersey
- ACO-PRO Jersey will be required at all ACO-PRO Invitationals and encouraged at all other ACO tournaments
- ACO reserves the right to dictate apparel worn for ACO Majors Tournaments and championship matches
- Memberships acquired after December 1st, 2011 are valid through January 14th, 2013
- Members should carry their member card at tournaments

ACO Membership		
Benefits	ACO	ACO PRO
How do I get my card?	Buy	Earn
Membership Number	X	X
Membership Card	X	X
Online Newsletter	X	X
Product Discounts	5%	10%
World Rankings	X	X
CornyForty Opportunity	X	X
TopGun Twenty Opportunity	X	X
Eligible to Earn Cash Payouts	X	X
Eligible to Acquire Pro Jersey		X
Exclusive Invites to Pro Events		X

What is an ACO-PRO?

- 2012 ACO-PRO Definition
 - Only singles players can achieve ACO-PRO status
 - Any player achieving 204+ Singles World Ranking Points for 2011 season
 - Any player finishing in the field of 64 at the King of Cornhole held January 2012
 - Any female finishing in the top 4 of the Queen of Cornhole held January 2012
 - Any player that achieves 248+ Singles World Ranking Points, carrying a 120 active SCR and competing at (1) Majors tournament during 2012 season
- Retaining ACO-PRO Status for 2013
 - Only singles players can achieve ACO-PRO status
 - Any player achieving 248+ Singles World Ranking Points, carrying a 120 active SCR and competing in (1) Majors tournament for 2012 season
 - Any player finishing in the field of 64 at the King of Cornhole held January 2013
 - Any female finishing in the top 4 of the Queen of Cornhole held January 2013



What is the CornyForty?

- CornyForty refers to top 40 players in Singles World Rankings
- Players earning position in CornyForty after TurkeyHole are awarded a Golden Ticket to the King of Cornhole at the ACO World Championships.
- CornyForty may carry prize bonuses
- CornyForty guarantees cash payout in King of Cornhole
- CornyForty will be seeded 1-40 in the King of Cornhole Bracket, Round 2 at the ACO World Championships
- Player finishing end-of-points season ranked #1 will be named “ACO-PRO Player of the Year”
- Visit www.kingofcornhole.com/rankings for overview



TopGun Twenty?

- TopGun Twenty refers to top 20 teams in Doubles World Rankings
- Teams earning position in TopGun Twenty after TurkeyHole are awarded a free entry into the ACO World Doubles Championship
- TopGun Twenty may carry prize bonuses
- TopGun Twenty will be seeded 1-20 in the ACO World Doubles Championship
- Team finishing end-of-points season ranked #1 will be named “ACO Team of the Year”
- Visit www.kingofcornhole.com/rankings for overview



World Ranking Points (WRP) Program

■ Points earned two ways

- Skills Challenge Rating (SCR)
- Masters Tournaments
 - Majors & Regionals

■ World Rankings Location

- www.kingofcornhole.com

■ Players/Teams

- Singles WRP= SCR + Points earned in ACO Masters Series
- Doubles WRP = Combined SCRs + Points earned in ACO Masters Series
- World Ranking Points used for ACO tournament seeding
- Player/Team finishing #1 in World Rankings at the end of the points-earning season will be named “ACO-PRO Player of the Year” and “ACO Team of the Year”
- Last eligible date for taking SCR tests will be the third Sunday of November
- Last eligible WRP points will be earned at TurkeyHole Masters in November

World Ranking Points			
Tournament Format			
Single Elimination		Double Elim / HoleBrid	
1 st Place	25	1 st Place	25
2 nd Place	24	2 nd Place	24
Top 4	23	3 rd Place	23
Top 8	21	4 th Place	22
Top 16	18	5-6 Pl.	20
Top 32	12	7-8 Pl.	18
Top 64	6	9-12 Pl.	16
Top 128	4	13-16 Pl.	14
		17-24 Pl.	12
		25-32 Pl.	10
		33-48 Pl.	6
		49+ Pl.	4

What is a SCR?

- SCR=Skills Challenge Rating
- SCR=Average of best three Frame Games pitched by a player in a season
- Points only added to WRP after three official Frame Games are pitched in a season
- Frame Game=A player's skill level test consisting of a player pitching thirteen frames of 4 bags for total of 52 bags
- Perfect Frame Game score = 156
- Frame Game cost = \$10 per attempt
- Free Frame Game = Player's participating in a Regionals event receive one free attempt per ACO Regionals tournament
- Where can I take an official Frame Game?
 - All ACO Regionals Singles Tournaments
 - Scheduled Certified Official testing dates throughout the season
- Player responsible for notifying ACO Office of any posted inaccuracies
- Must be thrown using ACO Certified Tournament Series boards and bags



SKILL CHALLENGE RATING "SCR"

Player Name: _____ ACO Number: _____

Email: _____ Player Signature: _____

\$10 per attempt



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Frame Game

	FRAME 1	FRAME 2	FRAME 3	FRAME 4	FRAME 5	FRAME 6	FRAME 7	FRAME 8	FRAME 9	FRAME 10	FRAME 11	FRAME 12	FRAME 13	TOTAL
CORNHOLES														
WOODIES														
FRAME SCORE														
TOTAL SCORE														

How do you measure up against the Pros? If your single game average is:

- 1 to 21 - find another sport.
- 80 to 103 - you're clearly a pitchin' good player now. (no excuses)
- 22 to 40 - don't quit the day job.
- 104 to 123 - it's time to say goodbye to your social status and "hello" to the Pro Tour.
- 41 to 79 - you're on your way to racing up the social rankings.
- 124 and up - the 'King of Cornhole' title awaits you.

Scorer: _____ Location: _____ Date: _____

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Penalties for Cheating on Frame Game Tests

- Players caught cheating on Frame Game tests or submitting incorrect results knowingly will result in suspension for remainder of current season
- Certified Officials caught cheating on Frame Game tests or submitting incorrect results knowingly will have Certified Official status revoked and will be suspended from playing tournaments for remainder of season



ACO Tournaments

- **ACO World Championships of Cornhole VII**
 - Competitive and Recreational tournaments celebrating the sport of cornhole and crowning the King of Cornhole®
- **Masters Series – Points Earning Tournaments**
 - Majors – (4) events held annually in four unique locations across the U.S. A player's/team's two best finishes count towards WRP
 - Regionals – Monthly tournaments from March to November held by ACO Certified Officials at a location of their choice. A player's/team's six best finishes count towards WRP
- **ACO Invitationals**
 - Cash and Non-cash tournaments rewarding ACO players for competing on the tour
- **ACO Qualifiers**
 - Tournaments rewarding participants with entries into the ACO World Championships
- **ACO Sanctioned Tournaments**
 - Any tournament or event run by an active ACO Certified Official



2012 Masters Series

■ ACO Masters Series – Points Earning Tournaments

■ ACO Majors

- (4) events held by ACO Corporate annually in four unique locations.

A player's/team's two best finishes count towards WRP

■ Singles

- ▶ Seeded by Singles WRP
- ▶ Holebrid Tournament Format

■ Doubles

- ▶ Seeded by Doubles WRP
- ▶ Holebrid Tournament Format

■ ACO Regionals

- (9) Monthly tournaments from March to November held by ACO Certified Officials at a location of their choice. A player's/team's six best finishes count towards WRP

■ Singles

- ▶ Seeded by Day of Frame Game
- ▶ Double Elimination Tournament Format

■ Doubles

- ▶ Seeded by Doubles WRP
- ▶ Double Elimination Tournament Format

**ACO Masters
Series Points
Tournaments**

**ACO
Majors**

**ACO
Regionals**

2012 Masters Series Schedule

Majors Tournaments	Date & Location Schedule
\$20,000 Vidalia Cornhole Cup	March 23-25, 2012 Vidalia, Georgia
Major #2	Date TBD
Major #3	Date TBD
Major #4	Date TBD
Regionals Tournaments	Date Schedule
IceHole	March
Spring Fling	April
Cornhole De Mayo	May
Great American Pitchout	June
MaizeKraze	July
HoleBash	August
Cornhole Classic	September
Hole-O-Ween	October
TurkeyHole	November



Note: Regionals Tournaments can not be run on same dates as Majors Tournaments

2012 Masters Entry Fees

- **What are the entry fees for a singles points-earning ACO Masters Series tournament?**
 - Entry fee for players competing for points, cash and prizes is at the discretion of the Certified Official
 - Entry fee for players competing for points-only must be allowed to participate for a maximum of \$10.

- **What are the entry fees for doubles tournaments**
 - Entry fee for teams competing for points, cash and prizes is at the discretion of the Certified Official
 - Entry fee for teams competing for points-only must be allowed to participate for a maximum of \$10.

- **Even though players/teams may have the option of two different entry fees, they are all competing within the same bracket for the same World Ranking Points**

ACO Resources

- **ACO Product Details**
 - Boards, Bags, Shirts, etc.
 - Tournament Registrations

www.americancornhole.com

- **Member Details**
 - Memberships
 - ACO Official Rules

www.americancornhole.org

- **Pro Tour Details**
 - World Rankings
 - Tournament Calendars
 - Tour Updates
 - Tour FAQ's

www.kingofcornhole.com

- **ACO Social Media**
 - Facebook
 - Twitter

www.facebook.com/americancornhole
www.twitter.com/aco

- **ACO Videos**

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