Pool Table Care Guide

Surface Cleaning

- o Synthetic Finish:
 - Synthetic surfaces such as vinyl and Formica can be cleaned with a damp cloth and mild detergent.
- o Wood Finish:
 - Wood finished should be dusted frequently.
 - To restore luster, use a non-residue producing dusting agent, such as mild lemon oil.
 - High or low humidity extremes can cause the wood to warp/ crack over time. To prevent this, regulate humidity with a humidifier or dehumidifier.
 - Spills should be immediately cleaned to prevent stains or damage.
 - Any cleaning products should be applied to a cloth first, not to the wood directly.

Cloth Care

- O Until it is broken in, new cloth can considerably affect ball roll. Break in your cloth by brushing it as often as possible during the first three months of use.
- o Alternate breaking and racking ends of table when possible. Avoid excessively sliding the rack- try to rack in one motion.
- Avoid excessive ball build-up in pockets. If not allowed to drop properly, balls can wear out the cloth around the pockets more quickly.
- o Avoid chalking your cue over the table.
- o The masse' jump shot can lead to scars or tears in the cloth.
- o Always brush the cloth in the same direction toward the end of the table. **Never brush in a** circular motion. Cloth may be vacuumed, in one direction only, using the upholstery attachment.
- o To protect your cloth against light, dust, and moisture, cover your table when not in use.
- The cloth can wrinkle and become loose if subjected to extreme temperatures or humidity.
 Regulate both.

Pockets and Hardware Care

- o Pockets:
 - Protect pockets from heat, sunlight, and fireplaces.
 - Do not sit or lean on pockets.
 - Never slide cue over pocket.
 - Examine pockets frequently to ensure no staples have loosened. Loose staples can damage balls.
 - Dust pockets frequently. Clean with a damp cloth and mild soap when needed. Dry with a soft, clean cloth.
 - Never set anything on pockets- pen ink, nail polish remover, etc., can permanently stain pockets.

- For **leather pockets**, treat with **saddle soap** or similar product. When finished, wipe pockets thoroughly to prevent ball and cloth blemishes.
- Avoid storing balls in pockets for extended periods of time. If you do, distribute balls evenly in all pockets.

o Hardware:

• Clean table hardware components with a damp cloth. This includes rail caps, cabinet corners, table feet and leg levelers.

• Accessories Care

- o Balls:
 - Clean balls as needed with a mild household degreaser, such as 409. Dry and polish with a clean, soft cloth.
 - Stubborn stains can be removed with a non-abrasive cleanser, such as Aramith Ball Cleaner. Dry and polish with a clean, soft cloth.
 - For a spectacular shine, after cleaning balls, apply paste wax and buff to a bright luster.

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• Pool Table Care "NEVERS"

- Never sit on your pool table, as it could break the seal between the rails and cushions, resulting
 in dead cushions that produce no ball response.
- o Never attempt to move your table. If you do need to move your assembled table, call Viscount Pools, Spas, and Billiards.
- Never set food/ drinks on your table.
- o Never place your table in direct sunlight.
- o Never use harsh cleaners or chemicals to clean your table.
- o Never **smoke** near your table.
- o Never stand on your table, as it could throw it out of level.
- o Never allow balls to build up in pockets.
- Never store balls in pockets.