



FCL PRO®

GUIDE

2024 - 2025 SEASON



THE **2024-2025 ACL PRO TOUR** REPRESENT
**THE HIGHEST LEVEL
OF COMPETITION
AVAILABLE FOR ACL PLAYERS.**

ACL PRO PLAYERS ARE THOSE THAT HAVE QUALIFIED
**TO BE THE BEST GROUP
OF CORNHOLE PLAYERS
IN THE WORLD.**

ACL ELITE PLAYERS ARE THOSE THAT ARE
**ASPIRING TO REACH THE
ACL PRO PINNACLE
BY COMPETING IN SELECT
ACL PRO EVENTS.**

THIS GUIDE OUTLINES THE 2024-2025 ACL PRO TOUR, DESCRIBES THE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRO AND ELITE PLAYERS, AND ALSO PROVIDES INFORMATION ON HOW TO QUALIFY TO BECOME AN ACL PRO IN FUTURE SEASONS.





PARTICIPATION ON THE ACL PRO TOUR AS A PRO OR ELITE PLAYER GIVES YOU ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

- Opportunity to compete in internationally streamed and televised events
- Exclusive prize money only available at ACL Pro Tour events
- Free or sponsored ACL Official Pro or Elite jerseys
- Recognition on the ACL website in the ACL Pro Tour section
- Seminars and training classes surrounding the ACL Pro Tour
- Paid appearance opportunities, as they become available

REQUIREMENTS OF PARTICIPATING ON THE ACL PRO TOUR INCLUDE:

- Meeting the qualification requirements as outlined for ACL Pros and/or Elite players
- Signing an ACL Pro or Elite contract
- Being an ACL Diamond Member
- Using 2025 ACL Pro licensed equipment at all Pro Tour events (2025 ACL Pro bags will be required beginning December 1, 2024)

NOTE: BEGINNING THIS SEASON, ACL PROS WILL NOT PAY A PRO MEMBERSHIP FEE, BUT WILL INSTEAD BE REQUIRED TO BE ACL DIAMOND MEMBERS AND PAY DISCOUNTED ENTRY FEES INTO PRO TOUR EVENTS.



THE 2024-2025 ACL PRO TOUR WILL CONSIST OF 18 PRO EVENTS WHICH WILL INCLUDE SINGLES & DOUBLES AS FOLLOWS:

#1. THE ACL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (1)

- a. Format: Double Elimination Stack Bracket
- b. Game Type: Classic (play to 21)
- c. Eligible to Compete: Those Pro & Elite players who meet the qualification criteria listed below

#2. ACL PRO SIGNATURE EVENTS (6)

- a. Format: Double Elimination Stack Bracket
- b. Game Type: (4) Classic Signature Events & (2) Shootout (round-limited) Signature Events
- c. Eligible to Compete: All ACL Pros are eligible. ACL Elite players who meet the qualification criteria listed below are also eligible

#3. ACL OPEN EVENTS (11)

- a. Format: Double Elimination Bracket
- b. Game Type: (8) Classic Open Events & (3) Shootout Open Events
- c. Eligible to Compete: All ACL Pros and ACL Elite players are eligible

NOTE: THERE WILL BE AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS AVAILABLE AT ALL EVENTS- ACL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, SIGNATURE, AND OPEN EVENTS FOR PLAYERS OF THE ADVANCED, COMPETITIVE, INTERMEDIATE, AND NOVICE SKILL LEVELS. THE FORMAT, DESCRIPTION, AND POINTS BREAKDOWNS FOR THESE EVENTS CAN BE FOUND IN THE ACL PLAYER GUIDE.



THE ACL PRO TOUR WILL HAVE SEPARATE PRO SINGLES & PRO DOUBLES STANDINGS CONSISTING OF:

- Best 4 finishes at ACL Pro Signature Events
- Best 2 finishes at ACL Opens

PRO SIGNATURE EVENT (STACK)

1ST	400	17TH	352	33RD	332	49TH	316
2ND	397	18TH	350	34TH	331	50TH	315
3RD	394	19TH	348	35TH	330	51ST	314
4TH	391	20TH	346	36TH	329	52ND	313
5TH	388	21ST	344	37TH	328	53RD	312
6TH	385	22ND	343	38TH	327	54TH	311
7TH	382	23RD	342	39TH	326	55TH	310
8TH	379	24TH	341	40TH	325	56TH	309
9TH	376	25TH	340	41ST	324	57TH	308
10TH	373	26TH	339	42ND	323	58TH	307
11TH	370	27TH	338	43RD	322	59TH	306
12TH	367	28TH	337	44TH	321	60TH	305
13TH	364	29TH	336	45TH	320	61ST	304
14TH	361	30TH	335	46TH	319	62ND	303
15TH	358	31ST	334	47TH	318	63RD	302
16TH	355	32ND	333	48TH	317	64TH	301

PRO/ELITE OPEN POINTS

1ST	200
2ND	197
3RD	194
4TH	191
5TH - 6TH	188
7TH - 8TH	182
9TH - 12TH	176
13TH - 16TH	164
17TH - 24TH	152
25TH - 32ND	140
33RD - 48TH	132
49TH - 64TH	116

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

NOTE: PRO DOUBLES POINTS WILL DISPLAY AS DOUBLE THE POINTS LISTED ABOVE. IF PLAYERS PLAY WITH DIFFERENT PARTNERS IN PRO DOUBLES EVENTS THEN THEY WILL APPEAR TWICE IN STANDINGS WITH TWO DIFFERENT PARTNERS.



THE 2025 ACL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

NEW THIS YEAR, THE FINAL PRO SINGLES AND PRO DOUBLES TOURNAMENT AT THE ACL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL FEATURE 40 PLAYERS (PRO SINGLES) AND 24 TEAMS (PRO DOUBLES). THERE WILL BE PLAYERS WHO AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY FOR THESE FINAL TOURNAMENTS, AND ACL PROS AND SELECT ACL ELITE PLAYERS WHO DO NOT AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY FOR THESE FINAL TOURNAMENTS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO PLAY THEIR WAY INTO THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS VIA NEW TOURNAMENTS CALLED CHALLENGER BRACKETS. THE ROSTER FOR THOSE TOURNAMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

PRO SINGLES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. 32 - The top 32 ranked players in Pro Singles standings will take the top 32 seeds in the tournament
2. 8 - The winners of each of the 8 ACL Pro Singles Challenger Brackets

PRO DOUBLES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. 20 - Top 20 ranked doubles teams in Pro Doubles standings will take the top 20 seeds in the tournament
2. 4 - The winners of each of the 4 ACL Pro Doubles Challenger Brackets

PRO SINGLES CHALLENGER BRACKETS (NEW WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY-IN TOURNAMENT)

1. All players ranked inside the top 250 in Pro Singles standings who have not already qualified for the Pro Singles World Championship
2. All former ACL Pro Singles World Champions who have not already qualified for the Pro Singles World Championship

All players competing in Pro Singles Challenger brackets will be divided into one of 8 double elimination brackets. The winner of each bracket will earn entry into the Pro Singles World Championship.

PRO DOUBLES CHALLENGER BRACKETS (NEW WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY-IN TOURNAMENT)

1. All teams ranked inside the top 125 in Pro Doubles standings who have not already qualified for the Pro Doubles World Championship
2. All former ACL Pro Doubles World Champions who have not already qualified for the Pro Doubles World Championship (these players must compete as a team)

All players competing in Pro Doubles Challenger brackets will be divided into one of 4 double elimination brackets. The winner of each bracket will earn entry into the Pro Doubles World Championship.



ACL ELITE™

ACL ELITE PLAYERS ARE AMATEUR PLAYERS WHO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPETE AGAINST ACL PRO PLAYERS AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. TO BECOME AN ACL ELITE PLAYER FOR THE '24-'25 SEASON, YOU MUST FIRST OBTAIN AN ADVANCED SKILL LEVEL AS DESIGNATED IN YOUR ACL PLAYER PROFILE & THEN REGISTER AS A DIAMOND ACL MEMBER. ONCE THAT IS COMPLETE, YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN AN ACL ELITE CONTRACT, ALLOWING YOU TO COMPETE AS AN ACL ELITE PLAYER.

ELITE PLAYERS MUST QUALIFY TO PLAY IN PRO EVENTS AT:

1. ACL World Championships
2. ACL Pro Signatures

However, all ACL Elite players can play in the Pro Tour divisions at all ACL Open events.

HOW DO ACL ELITE PLAYERS QUALIFY FOR ACL PRO EVENTS IN 2024-2025?

Opens now qualify ACL Elite players for all Pro Tour Signature Events.

PRO SINGLES

The top finishing 14 ACL Elite players at each ACL Open in Pro Singles will earn entry into an ACL Signature Pro Singles

PRO DOUBLES

The top finishing 7 ACL Elite Double teams at each ACL Open in Pro Doubles will earn entry into an ACL Signature Pro Doubles

QUALIFICATION SCHEDULE

- ACL Open #1, #2 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #1
- ACL Open #3, #4 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #2
- ACL Open #5, #6 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #3
- ACL Open #7, #8 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #4
- ACL Open #9, #10 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #5
- ACL Open #11 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #6

*Elite players may be allowed to swap Signature events with another Elite player if proper notice is given to ACL



LOOKING AHEAD...

Below are the ways, in order, to qualify to become an ACL Pro for the 2025-2026 Season. All rankings references will be for 2024-2025 standings.

THERE WILL BE 100 ACL PROS IN THE '25-'26 SEASON.

HOW TO BECOME AN ACL PRO IN THE '25-'26 SEASON:

1. Top 20 ranked ACL Pro Doubles Teams at the conclusion of the season will become ACL Pros the following season (40 players)
2. Top 32 ranked ACL Pro Singles at the conclusion of the season will become a ACL Pros the following season (up to 32 additional players)
3. Top 5 Pro/Elite players in each state points standings will play in their own Pro Qualifier at the ACL World Championships with the top 6 players becoming ACL Pros the following season (6 additional players)
4. The 4 winners of the ACL Pro Doubles Challenger brackets at the World Championships will become ACL Pros the following season (8 additional players)
5. The 8 winners of the ACL Pro Singles Challenger brackets at the World Championships will become ACL Pros the following season (8 additional players)
6. If there are less than 80 qualified players from steps #1-5, then the remaining spots to fill 80 ACL Pros will be filled top-down from ACL Pro Singles standings. If there are more than 80 players, then there will be more than 100 ACL Pros for that season.
7. 16 - The top 16 finishers at the 2025 ACL Pro Qualifier will qualify to be ACL Pros the following season. The ACL Pro Qualifier is open to all ACL members.
8. 4 - Sponsor exemption spots to be selected by the ACL if desired
9. If there are less than 100 pros based on #1-7 above after contract review, then all remaining spots will be filled top-down from ACL Pro Singles Standings who have not already qualified via 1-7 above.

*No more than 4 players under the age of 18 as of 1/1/2026 can become an ACL Pro

NEW THIS SEASON...

ACL WOMEN'S, SENIOR & JUNIOR PRO TOURS

New this season, the ACL is introducing a Women's Pro Tour, Senior Pro Tour, and Junior Pro Tour, with the goal of rewarding excellence in those various demographic categories in the ACL. The ACL Pro Tour will be exclusively available to the best 100 players in the sport and will no longer reserve spots based on demographic backgrounds. The ACL Women's Pro Tour (ACLW), ACL Senior Pro Tour (ACLS), and ACL Junior Pro Tour (ACLJ) will qualify players, award prize money, offer streaming & broadcast time, and provide benefits similar to the ACL Pro Tour. A player is eligible to compete on multiple Pro Tours (i.e. The ACL Pro Tour and the ACL Women's Pro Tour) as long as they meet the minimum requirements set forth by each tour.

THE ACLW, ACLJ & ACLS PRO TOURS WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

#1. THE ACL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (1)

- Format: Double Elimination Stack Bracket
- Game Type: Classic (play to 21)
- Eligible to Compete: All ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros are eligible to compete. ACL Elite players who meet the demographic criteria must qualify via the methods outlined below

#2. ACL PRO SIGNATURE EVENTS (6)

- Format: Double Elimination Stack Bracket
- Game Type: (4) Classic Signature Events and (2) Shootout (round-limited) Signature Events
- Eligible to Compete: All ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros are eligible to compete. ACL Elite players who meet the demographic criteria must qualify via the methods outlined below

#3. ACL OPEN EVENTS (11)

- Format: Double Elimination Bracket
- Game Type: (8) Classic Open Events & (3) Shootout Open Events
- Eligible to Compete: All players, regardless of Pro, Elite, or Amateur status, are eligible to compete who meet the demographic criteria

ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ PRO POINTS WILL BE KEPT SEPARATELY FOR SINGLES AND DOUBLES AS FOLLOWS:

1. Best 4 (of 6) finishes at ACL Pro Signature Events
2. Best 2 (of 11) finishes at ACL Opens

NOTE: The same points tables as the ACL Pro Tour will be used for these Tours as well. There will, in total, be a Women's Singles, Women's Doubles, Senior Singles, Senior Doubles, Junior Singles, and Junior Doubles standings.





NEW THIS SEASON...

ELITE PLAYERS IN THE ACLW, ACLS & ACLJ PRO TOURS

ELITE PLAYERS MUST QUALIFY TO PLAY IN ACLW, ACLS, ACLJ PRO EVENTS AT:

1. ACL World Championships
2. ACL Pro Signatures

HOW DO ACL ELITE PLAYERS QUALIFY FOR ACL WOMEN'S, SENIORS, JUNIORS PRO EVENTS IN 2024-2025?

Opens now qualify ACL Elite players for all Women's/Seniors/Juniors Pro Signature Events

ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ PRO SINGLES

The top finishing 4 ACL Elite players at each ACL Open in Women's, Junior, Senior Singles will earn entry into an ACL Signature ACLW, ACLS, ACLJ Singles

ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ PRO DOUBLES

The top finishing 2 ACL Elite doubles teams at each ACL Open in Women's/Junior/Senior Doubles will earn entry into an ACL Signature ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Doubles

QUALIFYING SCHEDULE

- ACL Open #1, #2 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #1
- ACL Open #3, #4 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #2
- ACL Open #5, #6 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #3
- ACL Open #7, #8 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #4
- ACL Open #9, #10 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #5
- ACL Open #11 qualify players for ACL Pro Signature #6

*Elite players may be allowed to swap Signature events with another Elite player if proper notice is given to ACL

NEW THIS SEASON...

WOMEN'S, SENIOR & JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Similar to the ACL Pro Tour, the final Women's/Senior/Junior Singles and Doubles tournament at the ACL World Championships will feature 36 players (Singles) and 18 teams (Doubles). The roster for those tournaments will be determined as follows:

WOMEN'S/SENIOR/JUNIOR SINGLES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. 32 - The top 32 ranked players in Women's/Senior/Junior Singles standings will take the top 32 seeds in the tournament
2. 4 - The winners of each of the 4 ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pro Singles Challenger Brackets

WOMEN'S/SENIOR/JUNIOR DOUBLES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. 16 - The top 16 ranked doubles teams in Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles standings will take the top 16 seeds in the tournament
2. 2 - The winners of each of the 2 ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pro Doubles Challenger Brackets

WOMEN'S/SENIOR/JUNIOR SINGLES CHALLENGER BRACKETS

All players competing in ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pro Singles Challenger brackets will be divided into one of 4 double elimination brackets. The winner of each bracket will earn entry into the ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pro Singles World Championship.

1. All players ranked inside the top 100 in Women's/Senior/Junior Singles standings who have not already qualified for the Women's/Senior/Junior Singles World Championship
2. All former Women's/Senior/Junior Singles World Champions who have not already qualified for the Women's/Senior/Junior Singles World Championship

WOMEN'S/SENIOR/JUNIOR DOUBLES CHALLENGER BRACKETS

All players competing in Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles Challenger brackets will be divided into one of 2 double elimination brackets. The winner of each bracket will earn entry into the Women's/Senior/Junior World Championship.

1. All players ranked inside the top 50 in Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles standings who have not already qualified for the Pro Doubles World Championship
2. All former Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles World Champions who have not already qualified for the Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles World Championship





NEW THIS SEASON...

EARNING ACL WOMEN'S PRO TOUR STATUS FOR THE '24-'25 SEASON

There will be 32 permanent Women ACL Pros:

1. 32 - All 32 women who earn ACL Pro Status for the 24-25 season will also earn ACL Women's Pro Status for the 24-25 season.
2. If there are not 32 women that earn ACL Pro status, the remaining spots will be given to the top ACL Elite players in the 2023-2024 ACL Women's standings.

EARNING ACL SENIOR PRO TOUR STATUS FOR THE '24-'25 SEASON

There will be 32 permanent Senior ACL Pros:

1. Any Seniors who earn ACL Pro Status for the 24-25 season will also earn ACL Senior Pro Status for the 24-25 season.
2. All remaining spots will be given to the top ACL Elite players in the 2023-2024 ACL Senior standings.

EARNING ACL JUNIOR PRO TOUR STATUS FOR THE '24-'25 SEASON

There will be 32 permanent Junior ACL Pros:

1. Any Juniors who earn ACL Pro Status for the 24-25 season will also earn ACL Junior Pro Status for the 24-25 season.
2. All remaining spots will be given to the top ACL Pro/Elite players in the 2023-2024 ACL Junior standings.

LOOKING AHEAD...

BECOMING AN ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ PRO FOR THE '25-'26 SEASON

Below are the ways, in order, to qualify to become a Women's, Senior, or Junior ACL Pro for the 2025-2026 Season. All rankings references will be for 2024-2025 standings. There will be 40 permanent Women, Senior, and Junior ACL Pros in each tour.

1. 16 - Top 8 ranked Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles Teams via Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles standings during the season will become ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros the following season
2. 16 - Top 16 ranked Women's/Senior/Junior Singles players via Women's/Senior/Junior Singles standings during the season will become ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros the following season
3. 4 - The 2 winners of the Women's/Senior/Junior Doubles Challenger brackets at the World Championships will become ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros the following season
4. 4 - The 4 winners of the Women's/Senior/Junior Singles Challenger brackets at the World Championships will become ACLW/ACLS/ACLJ Pros the following season
5. 8 - The top 8 finishers at the 2025 Women's/Senior/Junior ACL Pro Qualifier will qualify to be a Women's/Senior/Junior ACL Pro. All players who meet the demographic criteria are eligible to compete in this qualifier.
6. If there are less than 40 Women's/Senior/Junior ACL Pros based on #1-5 above then all remaining spots will be filled top-down from ACL Women's/Senior/Junior Singles Standings who have not already qualified via 1-5 above.