



WEST CENTRAL OHIO APA 458

BYLAWS

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1. **OFFICE CONTACT HOURS/CONTACT.** Fall and Spring Sessions, office hours are Monday through Friday, from 4 to 8 and on Saturday from noon to 4. Office is closed Sunday. Summer Session hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 until 12. Office is closed Saturday and Sunday during summer. Office number: 419-796-9139
2. **DIVISION REPRESENTATIVES AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BOG).** The Division Representative(s) will serve on the Board of Governors (BOG).
3. **BOG DECISIONS.** Decisions of the BOG will be made by majority vote. Secret ballot will be used in issues of disciplinary matters of any and all members. All members are welcome to attend board meetings and express their opinion(s) in a brief, polite, and courteous manner.
4. **TEAM FEES.** Weekly team fees are forty (\$40). Players will be assessed fifteen (\$15) dollars for checks returned for insufficient funds. Any player writing a check that is returned for insufficient funds may be suspended until funds are paid in full.
5. **PAST DUE FEES.** Players owing past due amounts may be suspended until all fees and past due amounts have been paid. Teams with past due fees will be ineligible for division playoffs.
6. **PAY OUT.** Teams will earn a pay back of four (4) dollars per individual match won and awarded at the awards banquet after Spring Session. Any team not finishing Spring Session will forfeit all points and pay back. Any money owed to the league will be subtracted from the award total.
7. **TROPHIES.** Division champions of Fall, Spring, and Summer Sessions will receive a team trophy and players on each team will receive individual plaques.
8. **SCORESHEETS.** Both teams will keep a score sheet AND MARK DEFENSIVE SHOTS. A TEAM NOT MARKING DEFENSIVE SHOTS WILL BE HEAVILY SCRUTINIZED. TEAMS IN VEGAS AT WPC HAVE BEEN DQ'D FOR LACK OF DEFENSIVE SHOTS BEING RECORDED DURING LEAGUE PLAY. The home Team Captain is responsible for promptly returning scoresheets with weekly fees, (as well as membership dues Eliminate tournament fees when applicable and tournament fees when applicable) in the provided, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Scoresheets must be postmarked, or faxed, within one business day of League play. A late return will result in a three-point standing loss. No bonus points are awarded.

- 9. POSTPONEMENT/MAKE-UP.** If a match needs to be postponed, for a legitimate reason, then the League Office and opposing Team Captain must be contacted, by the Team Captain postponing the match, as soon as possible. A postponed match should be rescheduled and played within two weeks. It is the responsibility of the postponing Team Captain to contact opposing Team Captain to reschedule. If the match is not made up within two weeks, then the League Office will set up a play or forfeit date. Teams not playing a postponed match within two (2) weeks may be docked two (2) standing points. A postponed match is the courtesy of the opposing Team Captain. Treat it as such.
- 10. SEVERE WEATHER POLICY.** In the event of postponing matches due to adverse weather, opposing Team Captains need to reschedule matches within two weeks. Teams not playing postponed matches within two (2) weeks may be docked two (2) standing points.
- 11. TEAM FORFEITS.** Match play may be started with one player present. Second and successive players must be ready at the conclusion of the prior match. A team will receive two (2) points for an individual match forfeit with a maximum of eight (8) forfeit points. A team forfeiting all five matches will be penalized one standing/payback point. Both teams must still pay full weekly dues. Teams forfeiting twelve (12) individual matches in Spring Session will be ineligible for division playoffs.
- 12. PLAYER FORFEIT.** Any shooter that breaks his or her cue down during play will forfeit that game.
- 13. JUMP CUES.** Absolutely no “Jump cues” in APA play.
- 14. TIME OUTS.** Time outs will be awarded based on the Official Team Manual
- 15. PRACTICE TIME.** The visiting team is allotted the table for practice time a minimum of fifteen minutes just prior to the League starting time. This is provided if the visiting team wants the time.
- 16.** Teams with the highest combined points from Fall and Spring Sessions will qualify for World Qualifier (C & G). Seeded, single elimination division tournament will be conducted to qualify additional teams.
- 17. WORLD QUALIFIER (C & G).** A team will qualify for C & G, World Qualifier, based on Fall, Spring, and/or Summer Session play or Playoffs. A team may also qualify for Playoffs through a Wild Card. The World Qualifier will be a modified, double elimination, tournament. Teams from each division with top points will be drawn for first round byes. The team completing the winners’ bracket without a loss automatically wins a spot in the APA World Pool Championship provided two or more slots are secured for West Central Ohio APA. In the case where only one slot is secured, then the tournament will be double elimination for all participating teams.
- 18. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR WORLD QUALIFIER (C& G).** A player must have a minimum of ten (10) scores in the format he or she is competing in. Also, a player must shoot at least five (5) times in the Spring Session with the team he or she is competing on.
- 19. APA WORLD POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS.** Teams competing in the APA World Pool Championship will be awarded Travel Assistance based upon the number of teams in the League and Fired Up funds.
- 20. AGE REQUIREMENT.** APA requires players to be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- 21. SMOKING.** Players, coaches, teammates are not permitted to smoke at the table. This is a sportsmanship violation and may result in penalties if repeated violations are observed. Eliminate Smoking rule.
- 22. VIOLENCE.** VIOLENCE OR THE THREAT OF VIOLENCE AT ANY APA LEAGUE ACTIVITY WILL RESULT IN REPRIMAND RANGING FROM PROBATION TO SUSPENSION TO EXPULSION FROM LEAGUE PLAY.

- 23. REFUSAL TO DO BUSINESS WITH.** At any time, at the sole discretion of the League Operator, West Central Ohio APA # 458 can refuse to do business with any individual regardless of whether the individual's APA membership is in good standing. Most often, players who are unwelcome in the League will be those who are disruptive to the League, repeatedly complain about handicaps or who otherwise deride the League in public.

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