

# **APA of Montgomery Local Bylaws for Lee County**

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The Bylaws attached are a secondary source of information created in accordance with and in addition to the Official Team Manual. Please make sure that you know and understand these Bylaws.

## **Office Hours:**

Sunday-Thursday 3:00P.M.-8:00P.M. Leave name, phone number, and brief detailed message. If you leave a message your call will be returned as soon as we are able.

## **Bonus Points**

Bonus points are earned per week when all of the following is executed:

1. Packet must be turned the night of play.
2. All fees must be up to date, including membership fees. Note: New members only owe their \$25 membership fee if they have played a match. If a player has \$\$\$\$ out beside their name, they must call 334-717-9624 before they will be allowed to play. Any fees owed must be paid before they play. If the player with past due amount plays without payment, the points will be forfeited to the opposing team.
3. The Sportsmanship field must be filled out. This can be found on the bottom of the scoresheet in the message center. You must rank the opposing team's Sportsmanship on a scale of 1-5. Five being the best. If you rank a team at a one, two, or five, an explanation must be given. This must be filled out after the scoresheets are signed.

9-Ball teams will receive 10 bonus points. 8-ball teams will receive 1 bonus point.

**Starting Match Time:** Play is expected to start no later than 15 minutes after the start time printed on the top of the scoresheet. Any additional time allowed is at the present team's discretion. Play is to begin even if one player from each team is present. There is no grace period allowed between matches (play must be continuous) Forfeit points will be awarded to the team that has players present.

Matches will not start prior to the time printed on the scoresheet unless agreed to by both teams.

## **Phone Numbers**

Team Captains must always have a current number on file with the local office. Team Captains must also have all team members' phone numbers.

## **Rule Book**

Make sure you know the rule book and keep it with you during league matches. This is a must.

### **Qualifications for City Tournament**

To qualify for City Tournament the team must win division playoffs. First place will not be granted a slot unless there are at least 16 teams per format. Teams will not be granted a slot by coming in behind an already qualified team. A team must win to get a slot.

### **Keeping Eligibility**

It is the Team Captains responsibility for making sure that their players and team remain eligible for playoffs and City Tournament. This information can be found in the Team Manual.

### **Forfeits**

Be aware that the schedule may change if a team drops out. If a team has two consecutive forfeits the team is dropped and a new schedule is issued. In the case of a total team forfeit the receiving team is still obligated to pay the weekly fee to receive the 75 points for 9-Ball and 5 points for 8-Ball. No bonus points will be issued in the case of a total team forfeit.

### **BYES**

Bye's are in the schedule when there is an odd number of teams. Not every team may receive a Bye, and sometimes teams have more than one Bye. More information on Byes can be found in the official team manual.

A Bye for 9-Ball is 60 points

A Bye for 8-Ball is 3 Points

### **Rescheduling Matches**

The League Operator must be informed of date, time and location from both team captains. The match must be made up within two weeks, unless more time has been given. It is the teams' responsibility to reschedule. No matches will be made up in the last two weeks of the session. **There will be no exceptions to this.**

### **Playoffs**

Playoffs consist of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and a wild card team. If a division has less than 8 teams only 1<sup>st</sup> place and a wild card team will be in the playoffs.

### **Wild Card**

To qualify for the wild card the following must be executed:

1. Team must have received at least 80% of the possible bonus points per session.
2. Must have a history of good sportsmanship.

### **Playing someone twice**

If before or during a match a team learns it will be without a fifth player (or 23 rule eligible player) the opposing team will pick someone to play again if an available player does not break the 23 rule. This decision must be made as soon as possible. A team may only play a member twice up to four times in a session and not in the last two weeks of the session, HLT, or playoffs.

**Fees**

The team fee is \$35.00 per week for all scheduled matches, regardless of how many matches were actually played. This fee is split up amongst the team members. All APA Members pay a \$25 annual membership fee. Checks preferred, cash at own risk.

**Bounced checks**

There will be a \$20 fee for all bounced checks and any other additional fees incurred. A portion of this will go towards the Money Cup Tournament.

**Trophies**

All session ending trophies will be awarded the last week of playoffs.

**Age Limit**

The National office has changed their age limit depending on the market. Any player under the age of 21 will not be allowed to play in the Lee County area unless prior approval is granted by either Bryan or Katherine Ainsworth. If approved their name will print out on the scoresheet.