

NORTHEAST AMATEUR POOL LEAGUE
OFFICIAL BY - LAWS
AS OF 8-24-17

1. Northeast Amateur Pool League is a pool league that exists merely for the sole enjoyment of its participating members. We are a Non-Profit Organization in which all money collected will be for the benefit of its members in the form of cash and prizes and only legitimate and necessary expenses will be administered. NAPL will abide by the following bylaws. This league shall consist mainly of teams from the Northeastern suburbs of San Antonio (exception: if there are enough teams in other areas to create multiple divisions.)

A. There will be 4 officers that will direct and administer the league. They are the President/Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President/Webmaster, Recording Secretary, and Committee Chairman. Any officer can be removed and/or replaced by a majority vote of the Executive Board whether present or not at any time.

The Officer's are as follows:

PRESIDENT/SECRETARY-TREASURER: Stacey Linerode
VICE PRESIDENT/WEBMASTER: Ronnie Littlefield
RECORDING SECRETARY: Kathy Richel
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: George Richel III

B. League Advisory Committee made up of up to 11 representatives if possible and will be appointed by the Executive Board. If advisory committee members miss 2 meetings in a row, the executive board shall have the power to replace that member with another "more interested member". Any committee member can be removed and/or replaced by a majority vote of the Executive Board whether present or not at any time.

The League Advisory committee is as follows:

1. Vada Selsor
2. Paul Hernandez
3. Ray Rios
4. Renee Tomey
5. Dario Adamez
6. Pete Szymanski

DUTIES OF LEAGUE OFFICIALS

The duties of the officers and committee members shall be such as are implied by respective titles and such as are specified by these by-laws.

1. **President/Sec-Treasurer:** (1) Preside and administer over all NAPL meetings. (2) Supervises the duties of officers and committees. (3) Represent the NAPL in dealing with others as necessary. (4) Signature may be one of two valid signatures required on NAPL account. (5) Assist in directing all NAPL fundraising functions or tournaments. (6) Notifies members of meetings. (7) Handles correspondence and announcements. (8) Compiles NAPL standings and schedule NAPL play. (9) The Sec-Treasurer is fully responsible for collecting all weekly receipts from all the matches played and depositing the money collected into the league's account a non-interest bearing account, at the local designated financial institution. (10) **The Sec-Treasurer will report all collections, deposits, and expenditures and stats to all teams weekly (please provide an e-mail address for this to be forwarded to in case donated website is down) prior to the following Thursday night of the league play.**

The President runs the League that person is ultimately responsible for everything that happens or doesn't happen.

2. **Vice-President/Webmaster:** (1) Assist the President in NAPL duties including but not limited to meetings and running of the league as necessary. (2) Assume the duties of the President in his/her absence. (3) Assist Sec-Treasurer as required. (4) Assist the president in directing all NAPL fundraising functions or tournaments. (5) Signature may be one of two valid signatures required on NAPL account. (6) Maintain NAPL website including but not limited to updating stats, advertising for sponsors, tournament updates, etc....

3. **Recording Secretary:** (1) Assist the President/Vice President in NAPL duties including but not limited to meetings and running of the league as necessary. (2) Assume the duties of the President/Vice President in his/her absence. (3) Assist Sec-Treasurer as required. (4) Assist the president in directing all NAPL fundraising functions or tournaments. (5) Keep record of all NAPL meetings.

4. **Committee Chairman:** (1) Assist the President/Vice President in NAPL duties including but not limited to meetings and running of the league as necessary. (2) Assume the duties of the President/Vice President in his/her absence. (3) Assist Sec-Treasurer and or Recording Secretary as required. (4) Assist the president in directing all NAPL fundraising functions or tournaments. (5) Coordinate and direct committee members in all NAPL functions.

4. A League Advisory Committee made up of up to 6 representatives will be appointed by the Executive Board. The advisory committee will meet with the officers periodically to discuss and recommend action on any and/or all of the following: (1) Existing problems (2) New proposals (3) New ideas to create more interest (4) Other important matters concerning the league (5) Assist officers in the execution of all NAPL fundraising functions or tournaments.

The committee along with the officers will be the "Executive Board". Decisions made by the executive board will be decided by a majority vote. All members of the executive board are encouraged to make new proposals to benefit the league.

Committee members will be appointed as deemed necessary by the Executive Board

5. Executive Board will hear all grievances and/or protests for first half of season one-week prior the mid season meeting, second half of season one week prior to end of season meeting.

C. The location of the championship match will be decided by a random drawing of all current member locations approved by majority vote of the Executive Board for having the capacity needed to accommodate our players and spectators (each having one name in the drawing per location not per team). All playoff game locations will be decided by a random drawing of all locations not including the location that hosts the championship. **NO TEAM SHALL HAVE HOME COURT ADVANTAGE IN THE PLAYOFFS OR CHAMPIONSHIP** except when 2 teams from the same location have been drawn to play at home and it does not effect number of sponsor playoff games required for each sponsor who has a team in the league. There will be 2 alternates drawn for each playoff game as well as the championship. Whichever location wins the draw for the championship game will be expected to either re-felt (if any tears, cuts or bad places in felt are visible) or clean the table, level the table, and be able to accommodate seating for the teams involved as well as spectators. End of Season party will be decided by majority vote of the Executive Board according to the capacity needed to accommodate our members.

D. In a general membership meeting, each NAPL member present will have one vote and each sponsor present will have one vote. Sponsors may designate a representative, in writing, to cast his/her vote. This proxy will be in effect until rescinded in writing by the bar owner.

E. Voting will not be accepted by proxy, except as stated in item F. Only eligible members of NAPL may vote at the general membership meeting. A majority rules in all cases.

F. Any new proposals, suggestions, and other agenda agreed upon by the executive board will be submitted to each team member on the statistic sheet immediately prior to general membership meetings.

G. Emergency meetings may be called by the executive board to protect the best interests of all members.

H. All league expenditures must be approved by at least 2 league officers. Receipts must be presented for reimbursements of expenses. If expenses are incurred for non-related league matters or for personal reasons, reimbursements will not be made. Any problems will be decided by the executive board and the decision is final.

I. All teams that choose to forfeit a scheduled match are required to pay their weekly \$30.00 team fee. The opponent is also required to pay their weekly \$30.00 fee, even though no one played. If a team forfeits 2 matches, they will be fined \$15.00. Any team that forfeits more than 2 games will be dropped from the league. These said teams or players are not eligible to play for NAPL until the following season. Any money received from dropped teams is forfeited and will not be reimbursed by the league. Teams that fail to pay for matches played or forfeited will not be allowed to participate in the following season. Each team is responsible for their weekly dues.

J. We will expect to have 3 general membership meetings per season. There will be one prior to the beginning, one in the middle, and the last being prior to the Bracket Championships. Dates for these meetings will be made available to the membership.

K. The executive board will make final decisions on all protests. Please remember it is always best to try to resolve a dispute the night of play between either the players or the captains of the teams involved, if the captains cannot resolve the issue or the situation turns hostile please call an officer, if the officer cannot resolve the issue a protest can be submitted to the league. These complaints must be submitted in writing and with a \$30.00 fee to the President or Vice President within 48 hours of the occurrence. If the complaint is determined valid, then the \$30.00 fee will be refunded. The executive board will meet with the individuals'/members' to hear the complaint. A decision will be made by the board and members will be notified of the outcome. This decision is final and irreversible. Meetings for these protests must be at a neutral location.

L. All teams winning prize money will individually distribute it to their teammates accordingly. It is recommended that a decision be made in the beginning of the season as to the distribution of the prize money. Team winnings will be made in the name of the team captain or co.-captain and all checks must be cashed within 90 days of being written, if we are not contacted prior to the 90 days we will assume you are donating your winnings to the next season's teams..

M. A player is determined to be ineligible if he/she is listed as a professional player by listings in any state; whether it is by magazines, newspapers, or any other form of media.

N. Each sponsor will pay a \$30.00 Sponsorship fee for each team he/she sponsors per season. This must be paid prior to the start of the first night of match play. If for any reason after the season starts a sponsor's team is dropped or decides to drop all money paid in by that team is forfeit.

Sponsor's Responsibility:

1. Sponsor pay's a one time \$30.00 fee per team per season.
2. Table's are to be open or quarters supplied by sponsor for actual league play.
3. Allow visiting team to have a thirty-minute practice session before league starts. (7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.) (Table's are not required by the league to be open for practice session)
4. Sponsor's may have 2 teams per table. (If a sponsor has 2 pool tables close together, then the tables must be a reasonable distance apart. (The teams will need to recognize that play is going on both tables.) If a sponsor has teams in two different leagues on the same night (Thursday) they must have enough tables and seating to accommodate the players, as soon as the situation is known it will be reviewed and a decision made by the Executive Board on eligibility to play in the league.

5. If a sponsor has an oversized cue ball and the table can accommodate a red circle cue ball, the home team can provide a red circle cue ball and it will then be played with for the match. A red circle cue ball will be used in the playoffs as well as the championship match.
6. Provide adequate seating for visiting teams playing in their establishment with a view of the table they are playing on.
7. In the playoffs sponsors will open tables or provide quarters and please make sure tables are level.
8. Insure that captains are paying all fees for matches. (If there is a balance owed to the league the sponsor will be responsible for this amount if unable to collect from captain and players or no teams from that sponsored bar are eligible for playoffs or prizes and sponsor cannot return with teams the next season until fees have been paid.)

O. All money turned in to the league for membership fees and match fees should be placed in the envelope provided and turned in to the drop off location no later than Saturday night following your match by 8:00p.m. for the secretary to pick up. Please seal the envelope and captains initial across the seal the amount placed inside for their team. (Please note if you are paying by personal check there is a \$30.00 bounced check fee and any bank fees accessed to the league will be added to that \$30.00. After one occurrence of bounced check only cash, a sponsor check or a money order will be accepted and must be paid right away call president to make this arrangement. If sponsors check bounces all fees will be applied the same as a personal check and only cash or money order will be accepted from that team and must be paid right away call president to make this arrangement.) All fees owed to the league must be paid within 2 weeks or you will be dropped from the league and monies paid in so far will be forfeit. Drop off locations are Boozehounds 8531 Perrin Beitel Rd (@ Perrin Beitel & 410), Sportsmans Bar 9204 FM 78 (in Converse).

P. ALL MATCHES PLAYED IN THE NAPL INCLUDING PLAYOFFS ARE PLAYED AS A RACE TO ELEVEN.

1. Each NAPL member must pay a \$5.00 membership one time fee for each new season and a \$15.00 BCA membership fee (good for 1 Year) which is paid on the first night of match play. If the fee is not paid, then said player is ineligible until the fee is received by the Secretary/Treasurer. If an ineligible player plays a match, these games will be forfeited by that player. New members to NAPL must pay the NAPL & BCA membership fee to become eligible also.
2. The NAPL has no jurisdiction over rules implied by sponsor/owners. These being dress codes, age requirements, or individuals who are barred from that establishment, etc... All NAPL teams will abide by these rules. No one under the age of 18 is eligible to play for NAPL. Drinking by minors will not be tolerated. Violators are subject to expulsion from the league.
3. Regular season matches will be played on Thursday nights. All matches will begin at 7:30 p.m. actual time, not bar time. There will be a 15 minute grace period (7:45) observed after which a forfeit can be declared (no individual games will be credited only a match win and a match loss BCA does not recognize forfeits for qualification games). The only exception's to this is if both captains have agreed to give more time or both captains agreed on rescheduling and league is notified. If you need to reschedule you must notify the captain of the other team as well as the secretary no later than 2 hours prior to your match and the match will be played according to the schedule as far as home and visitor is concerned. All reschedules must be played within two weeks. If captains cannot agree on a reschedule time then the board will decide on a time and if the match is not played the team that shows up will receive one match win and the other team will receive one match loss no individual games will be credited and both teams are still required to pay their match fees for that match.
4. Each team will be responsible for the \$30.00 match fee, even if the team failed to play. In such cases as having a BYE, for the scheduled match there will be still be a \$30.00 match fee owed for that particular team. No games will be rewarded to individual players, but one win will be credited to the team.
5. The fee for each match is \$60.00; i.e., \$30.00 per team. The \$30.00 is the same regardless of how many players play, (add \$20.00 for each new player added to your roster) win, loss, forfeit, or a BYE. The team captain is responsible for collecting the match fees and turning it in to the drop off location Boozehounds (210) 590-3223

8531 Perrin Beitel Rd (@ Perrin Beitel & 410), Sportsmans Bar (210) 281-8629, 9204 FM 78 in Converse, by Saturday night following the night of play. All fees (match and membership) must be paid by Saturday at 8:00 p.m. following the night of play or a \$20.00 late fee will be applied, this fee is applied to insure paperwork is turned in and stats are able to be recorded and transferred to the BCA office for retaining our sanction. If a team forfeits a match, then that team must pay their forfeit fee by the next week of scheduled play or receive \$5.00 late fee. Both team captains must sign the score sheet and initial for table runs and verify the \$30.00 per team fee. All score sheets will be picked up at the drop off location on Saturday night at 8:00p.m. following all scheduled matches by the Secretary/Treasurer.

6. The Sec/Treasurer shall receive payment from NAPL at the rate of \$10.00 per match scheduled (\$5.00 per team), plus a \$30.00 gasoline allowance per week for expenses incurred by picking up all weekly receipts. The Sec/Treasurer will only receive payment during regular season play for picking up and computing stats. The Sec-Treasurer will not receive payment for playoff matches.

7. The President and Vice President's duties shall be forceful and effective at all times.

8. Team standings will be based on a win/loss record for games played in the regular season. The team and player who win's a game will be given one win. The team and player who loses a game will be given one loss. Team and Individual standings will be given on a weekly basis.

9. Should a team drop during the season, a replacement team may take over for the remainder of the season. The win/loss record of the team that dropped will be assumed by the replacement team. Members of the dropped team will be ineligible to play for the remainder of the said season. Under certain circumstances the Executive Board will have final decision.

10. If a sponsor closes for any reason, the teams under that sponsor may be picked up by another sponsor with the exception that the new sponsor pays the new team sponsor fee of \$30.00 or if it is 3 weeks prior to the end of the season or less and the schedule allows they may continue to play under that sponsor but the sponsor would not be eligible for participation in hosting any NAPL functions. Also, the team members may play for another team in the NAPL for the remainder of the season. Win/loss records will follow those team players if feasible to his/her "new" team and remain the same.

11. Each team will consist of no more than 10 players. The minimum is 5 players per team. If a team has more than 10 players on a roster, that team will lose the match once it is discovered, either by the opposing team captain or by the league secretary. However, if a team member is dropped, that position may be filled by a new NAPL member. Team captains must notify Secretary/Treasurer of any dropped players on the bottom of the score sheet.

12. A team requires at least 3 players present to begin a match. No player(s) name will be added to a score sheet at any time unless said player is physically ready to play in position allocated. If a team has a missing player in any round or position, that position will be credited as a loss to the team that is short and will not be given to any eligible player on the team. During the first round, if a team member shows up, he/she may begin play. If no one shows until after the break to begin the second round, then that player may begin play in the third round, not the second round. The same rule applies for the third, fourth, and fifth rounds. Each space left blank, throughout the match, will be recorded as a forfeited game.

13. Players can change teams one time per season, their records stay with the first team and they start fresh with no games. We would like for team captains to approve the change if disagreement is preventing it can be brought before the board from the player requesting to change teams all decision by the executive board are final. Once a player has been dropped by a team unless they are picked up by another team that player is no longer eligible to play in the league for the remainder of the season. Playing with a dropped player will result in a forfeit of all games played by that player for the night. Dropped players will be shown on the stats. A player may be reinstated to the same team under unusual circumstances. If he/she is dropped from a team due to work related

circumstances, he/she may be added back on the roster. All situations will be evaluated by the executive board and all decisions will be final.

14. NAPL Substitution Rule: A player may be substituted for another player before the start of a round (before the break in the opening game in that round) and no later than the start of a round; i.e., 2nd, 3rd, etc. The team captain must notify the opposing team captain of the substitution. A player who started the match may be reinserted into the match after substitution, but only in the same position of the beginning of the match. Notification of this change must be given to the opposing team captain. A substitute may not be reinserted after being taken out nor can another substitute be put in the previous substitute's position for the duration of the scheduled match. The break constitutes the start of a game or match.

15. A team may not add any new player to the roster 3 weeks prior to the end of the regular season. If this occurs, all games played by that team will result in an automatic loss. If both teams have agreed to this violation, then they both will receive a loss and still be required to pay the \$30.00 match fees. If a team wins by a forfeit, no individual games will be credited (BCA does not recognize forfeits) and the team will be credited with one match win. These wins will be added to the team percentages.

16. A player must be ready to play when it is time for the break of his/her game, please show your opponent the respect of being ready to play in a timely fashion. If this becomes a constant problem a meeting will be called to decide if implementing a penalty for player's that constantly hold up games.

17. The following regular season format that must be followed:

- A. There is 1 division of play depending on the number of teams. (i.e.; 20 teams 2 divisions, 30 teams 3 divisions.)
- B. The regular league play will be followed by a playoff format to determine a league champion.
- C. Every match is a race to 11.
- D. Matches start at 7:30pm actual time, not bar time, and there is a 15 minute grace period.

18. Any ties in the standings will be broken down by games played and games won to decide the final standings. If at the end of the season there are teams tied for playoff position in separate divisions it will be decided by, A. Win/Loss record, B. Percentage, C. Tie-Break Match, in same divisions it will be decided by A. Win/Loss record, B. Head to Head play during season, C. Percentage, D. Tie-Break Match to determine which teams will advance and in what position. If there is a tie for individual prizes, the money will be split equally.

19. Cash Prizes will be awarded to all teams with the majority going to the teams who advance to the main playoffs. There will be individual awards for Top Shooter, Most Table Runs. There will be two categories for Top Shooter: Men and Women.

20. To be eligible for playoffs and or individual awards a certain amount of games will be required to participate and will be announced when the number of teams for the season has been determined. Executive Board will make adjustments if needed.

21. An estimate of the total amount of money available for the playoffs will be given 2 weeks prior to the executive board meeting. A board meeting will be held 2 weeks prior to the playoffs to review request of the locations in which the playoffs will be held. Playoff location and playoff matches will be drawn at the End-of-Season General Membership Meeting.

22. All teams are expected to play in the spirit of **Good Sportsmanship AT ALL TIMES**. Teams are not meant to feel threatened or intimidated in any way. Don't let it slide. Drop us a note or give us a call. The executive board has the authority and is expected to review ANY SITUATION IN WHICH POOR SPORTSMANSHIP HAS BEEN DISPLAYED and to take whatever action they feel is appropriate up to and including expulsion from the league. Coming out to league play should be fun, not a hard time. For nearly everyone, pool is a hobby or entertainment; not a job or career.

23. Falsification of Score Sheet – Any team caught sending in falsified score sheets will be subject to any penalties handed down by the executive board. Score sheets should be signed by both captains and initial any table runs or they will not be recorded. It is each player and captain's responsibility to review the weekly stats and ensure they are correct, if any errors are found contact the league secretary within two weeks to have them corrected. After the two weeks, all standings are final. The only exception to this rule is at the end of the season you will need to notify secretary before Thursday of the following week.

24. Severe Weather – This is Texas so you never know, if the weather is severe (flooding, ice, travel advisory warnings, etc...) please notify a league officer to see if match's have been cancelled and for assistance with rescheduling of the match.

25. ANY TEAM WITH AN OUTSTANDING BALANCE OF ANY KIND WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY PLAYOFF COMPETITION, LEAGUE PAYOUTS AND/OR PRIZES.

26. Table Run: All fifteen balls must be on the table, and you make your seven object balls and the 8 ball in one consecutive turn. This must be indicated on the score sheet, **THE NIGHT OF THE RUN**, with each team captain's initials indicating the run occurred. All table runs for a Master must occur on their first game played of the two games they play (when playing an opponent and having to win 2 games to 1) for it to count as a table run.

27. In the event where a shot is a questionable shot the player may ask the captains of both teams to referee the shot to avoid any disagreements. **REMEMBER if you don't call for a referee the call goes to the shooter.**

28. CUE BALL: If a sponsor has an oversized cue ball and the table can accommodate a red circle cue ball, the home team can provide a red circle cue ball and it will then be played with for the match. A red circle cue ball will be used in the playoffs as well as the championship match.

CONSECUTIVE SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS: A team that has won 2 consecutive season championships may not return for 2 consecutive seasons with more than 3 players from the original roster of both seasons. The roster is considered the players listed on your stats from the beginning to the end of each season as members of your team, qualified or not.

DISAGREEMENTS

In the event of a disagreement between shooters of a game and the player's cannot resolve the situation, the team captains will discuss and decide what can be done. This can be decided in several ways:

- A. Mutual agreement.
- B. Game to be re-racked and played over again.
- C. A call to one of the Executive Board members.

TEAM CAPTAIN'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Captains will decide who will shoot at each match.
- B. Watch all games and resolve all differences, which cannot be resolved between players. This

is done by a mutual decision between both team captains or an Executive Board member.

- C. Each team captain will be responsible for ensuring their score sheet is turned into the drop off location by Saturday at 8:00 p.m. following their match along with teams' match fees of \$30.00, plus any and all membership fees collected that night prior to the start of the match. If the scoresheet and money are not turned in on time your team will receive a \$20.00 late fee, this fee is applied to insure paperwork is turned in and stats are able to be recorded and transferred to the BCA office for retaining our sanction.
- D. The conduct of his/her players throughout the match.
- E. It is each captain's responsibility to verify the match results and the money amounts on the score sheet being turned in that night. Once the score sheets are signed by both captains and turned in to the Secretary/Treasurer without a protest, then all results are final.
- F. Ensure the score sheet reflects all added or dropped players.
- G. Referee the shot for players when they call for a referee on a questionable shot.
- H. Identify any master player on your team prior to the start of a match. If a master is not identified and does not play the number of games required on their first physical game it will result in a loss of the match. NAPL considers this cheating.
- I. Insure no player's play out of turn. If this occurs please contact a committee member for clarification on penalty. The break constitutes the start of a game.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL TEAM CAPTAINS:

- A. Proper pool etiquette should be observed during the match. For example, don't stand in front of the person while they are shooting; do not make comments to or about while he/she is shooting. Two warnings must be given during a game where this is occurring by the captain, after the two warnings if conduct continues the game is forfeited. Two forfeits for this conduct will result in a loss of match. An officer must be notified after the captain gives the first warning.
- B. A reasonable distance from the playing table should always be maintained by the opposing player while the other team member is shooting.
- C. As a courtesy to all league members, if your team cannot make a scheduled match, for any reason, please contact the other bar or captain **NO LATER THAN 2 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR MATCH** and try to reschedule, this match will be played according to the schedule as far as where the match is played. All reschedules must be played within two weeks. If captains cannot agree on a reschedule time then the board will decide on a time and if the match is not played the team that shows up will receive one match win and the other team will receive one match loss no individual games will be credited and both teams are still required to pay their match fees for that match. If you do reschedule a match please notify league president immediately.
- D. Any intentional incidents of a disruptive or threatening behavior may lead to immediate forfeiture of match pending review of the executive board. The board is empowered to suspend or expel any player, team, spectator's, or bar found to be responsible. The board may order replay of the match at a neutral site if deemed necessary.

PLAYOFF RULES

For a team to be eligible to play in the playoffs one (1) player from each team must show up at the End of Season Playoff meeting to pick up your team's playoff package. If a player from your team does not show you will be disqualified and receive the least amount of money for a payout paid that season.

In the playoffs players must show ID to opposing team captain to verify the actual qualified players are the players playing in the match.

There will be no practice during playoffs, we will follow the BCA rules for tournament play during the playoffs. General Rules 1-8 Page 25.

Championship Match: This match will have referees available for the teams that make the final match. In the second half of our season a Referee Committee will be formed out of Executive Board members and alternates in case some can't make the championship match.

PRIZES

All money and prizes are based on what is received throughout the season. The determination of the splitting of the prize money is on a percentage basis. All checks written to captains for their teams winnings must be cashed within 90 days, if we are not contacted prior to the 90 days we will assume you are donating back your winnings for the next seasons teams.

QUALIFICATIONS OF PLAYERS

To be eligible for playoffs and or individual awards a certain amount of games will be required to participate and will be announced when the number of teams for the season has been determined. Executive Board will make adjustments if needed. Any protest concerning the eligibility of a player or team must be made know to the secretary before Thursday of the following week.

ALL GAMES ARE ACTUAL TIME - NOT BAR TIME! ALL OTHER RULES OF THE NAPL ARE IN EFFECT DURING THE PLAYOFFS.

- I. **Sponsor Players** – All sponsors in the NAPL are eligible to play on a team, but they must pay the \$15.00 BCA fee although they are exempt from the Napl \$5.00 fee, that they have sponsored if a team is short players (Only an actual sponsor can play they cannot designate a person to play for them and only if the team is short players unless the sponsor is going to qualify and pay the player fees). The sponsor can play on that team for the night or until such time as a team player shows up at that time the sponsor will come out. Sponsors cannot play on more than one team per night (example: If there are two teams playing at home on the same night and both are short players the sponsor can only play on one of those teams). The sponsor will not accumulate qualifying games for BCA unless they are an actual member on a specified team. Sponsors playing on a team that is short are not considered a regular player (unless they are on roster as a player and not as a sponsor) or a Sub and if a player walks in they must be put immediately into the sponsors spot, this is not considered a substitution.
- II. **Legal Name** – Must be on the scoresheet and BCA sign-up sheet the first night a player plays. This is the name on your non expired Texas driver's license, Texas ID or government

issued ID. You will need to have this during playoffs. If you use a nickname or a short version of your name please put first name, then in parenthesis put your nickname and then last name on the sign-up sheet (example: John (Shorty) Smith). To play in all State, Regional, or National BCA events you must have a legal ID from the state you reside in and they will only accept your legal name no nicknames are allowed.

During playoffs ID's can be asked for to be used to verify qualified players eligible to play in playoffs so have them with you.

DEFINITIONS

BYE: The condition in which a team is left with no opponent to play, therefore no match is scheduled that week.

MATCH: The scheduled games between two teams.

MEMBERS: Anyone playing for an NAPL team who has paid their membership fee.

PROPOSAL: A written amendment to the league rules or division of money prizes submitted for league approval.

PROTEST: A written document containing the reasons for disagreement.

MASSE': A shot in which extreme spin is applied to the cue ball by elevating the butt of the cue, or a shot during which any attempt is made to curve the cue ball around an impeding object ball.

JUMP SHOT: Intentionally causing the cue ball to rebound off the bed of the table as a result of a downward stroke (somewhere above center on the cue ball not scooping from the bottom of the cue ball) in order to jump the cue ball over an impeding ball.

TABLE RUN: Must have fifteen balls on the table All seven balls of a player's object balls plus the 8-Ball must be made consecutively in one turn with fifteen balls being on the table.

MASTER PLAYER: A player who is listed on the BCA Master list, which is updated yearly.

CONCESSION OF A GAME: In BCA rule book page 33 section 1.43 under non-verbal action, **breaking the joint on your shooting cue** will constitute a concession of game not placing your cue in a holder or case of any type. All other parts of this rule are still in effect as stated in rulebook.

ROSTER: All members that play on a team.

LINE-UP: The players listed on the scoresheet during a match.