



Mid-North Florida APA Monthly Masters

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If no answer, leave your name, number and a brief message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Team Fees: Each team will be responsible for submitting a weekly fee of \$30.00 regardless of the number of games played or any forfeits. *The Mid-North Florida APA Pool League office is not responsible for cash.* In order to avoid accounting discrepancies and possible loss or theft during transmittal, Team Captains are encouraged to pay all fees by check or money order made out to “APA”. *There will be a \$25 charge for any returned checks.* Players responsible for bad checks will not be eligible to participate in any end of session tournaments until their debts (check amount + \$25 returned check fee) are paid in full. Any returned checks that are not paid in full within 4 weeks of return will be turned over to the State Attorney for prosecution.

Membership Fees: Membership fees are to be paid the *first time* a player plays.

Late Fees: Any team falling more than 2 weeks behind in weekly dues will face possibly being removed from the league. Members of any teams that are dropped from the league as a result of unpaid dues will be responsible for paying their share of the unpaid fees as well as the lost funds incurred by the dropping of their team. Teams past due in fees are *not* eligible to participate in any end of session tournaments until all debts are paid in full.

Adding Players: New players may be added at any time during the season, but each player must play 8 matches to be eligible for World Qualifiers. Players may not move from one team to another in the same division after week 6.

Bonus Points: 3 bonus points will be awarded each week for teams that have the correct funds with *completed and legible* score sheets in it. Be careful that you do not lose your bonus points!

Makeup Matches: Make up matches will be allowed with 24 hours notice. Make up matches must be done within 2 weeks of the originally scheduled match. **No make up matches will be allowed for the last month of play.** Pre-plays will be allowed, contact League Office to arrange them.

Forfeits: If no match takes place, the showing team will be awarded 15 match points plus 3 bonus points. No points will be awarded to the non-showing team. Individual match forfeits will be scored 5-0 and the non-showing player, causing the forfeit, may be held responsible for individual weekly match fee for both teams (\$20). If both teams are missing players, each team will be held responsible for their own match fees.

NOTE: There is no minimum as to how many players must be present for a match to start. However, keep in mind you are playing 2 matches.

Final Match Of The Year: A team must participate in the final match to remain eligible to participate in the wild card draw.

Byes: Scheduled Byes will be worth 15 points plus 3 bonus points. No weekly fees will be due.

Tie Breaking Procedures: All ties will be broken using past head to head match ups.

Match requirements: To be eligible for World Qualifier (WQ), all players must have played a total of 8 matches in the Masters format. In addition, each member must have played 4 times in any format during the Spring portion (Jan – April) of the league year to be eligible for the APA Masters Championship.

World Qualifier Structure: The top 3 in points at the end of the regular session and a wildcard from each division will compete in the WQ for the opportunity to advance to APA Masters Championship in Las Vegas. Double elimination until the finals (finals are single).

Accomplishment Pots: For each of the accomplishment categories (9OB, 9BR, 8OB, 8BR) there will be a 50.00 pot that will be won. If there is not an outright winner, it will be divided equally among those who have tied in that particular category. Please be certain to mark these correctly on your score sheets.

Sportsmanship: Good sportsmanship will ensure that everyone in the league enjoys themselves. Any team or individual receiving 3 written warnings for sportsmanship violations will be suspended indefinitely from the league. All players need to review the Sportsmanship flyer in the team package to gain a better understanding of the sportsmanship guidelines. The actions of any individual who is “with” a team, (i.e., a team member, their spouse, friend or associate) could affect an entire team. This league is designed for all to have fun, friendly competition. Teams should police themselves to maintain this atmosphere. The League Office reserves the right to determine if a team or individual’s actions constitute a sportsmanship violation. Any players and/or teams that have been suspended for sportsmanship violations will lose their eligibility to participate in any post session tournaments.

Good Luck to all!