

TEAM CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

THIS COMPLETED STATEMENT MUST BE PRESENTED AT REGISTRATION

TO: SOUTHWEST CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS / APA

We certify that the skill levels listed at the end of this statement reflect our true ability. We realize that we may request an adjustment in the skill level of any team member if we feel the team member is playing above the level listed on this document. Thereafter, the team may be disqualified if a player's skill level goes up or the Tournament Director or the APA raises a player's skill level. Appeals will not be granted on the basis of the player practicing, therefore improving, during the time period between the "freezing" of skill levels prior to the event and the event itself or that the player is not drinking and therefore playing better. Before signing this form, keep in mind the following:

- ◆ Every player must enter the Southwest Challenge with a handicap based on 10 actual match scores in either the 8-Ball or 9-Ball format and be actively participating in local league play.
- ◆ APA is the sole judge of a player's ability and may at any time raise a player's skill level if APA believes he/she is not playing up to his/her true ability.
- ◆ In order to conduct a fair and equal tournament for all APA players, APA must ensure that all participants are playing at skill levels that are not below their true ability. Handicap manipulation compromises the fairness and integrity of tournament play and cannot be tolerated. Accordingly, APA may disqualify any team if, in APA's sole judgment and absolute discretion, one (1) or more of its players are deemed by APA to be playing at a skill level below his or her true ability. The determination of whether a player is playing at a skill level below his or her true ability is necessarily subjective; APA is the sole judge of a player's ability and may make such a determination in its absolute judgment and discretion. Disqualification will mean forfeiture of all titles, awards, prize money, and a minimum 2-year suspension from the League.
- ◆ **FULL RELEASE:** THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREE(S) TO WAIVE, RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE APA, TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS, THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, ALL LOCAL LEAGUE OPERATORS, THE TOURNAMENT VENUE, AND SPONSORS, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARENT ENTITIES, SUBSIDIARIES, OR AFFILIATES OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES (COLLECTIVELY THE "RELEASED PARTIES") FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LOSS AND DAMAGES, ARISING FROM OR RELATING TO OUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO (1) ANY CLAIM, DAMAGE OR LOSS RELATING TO OR ARISING FROM ANY RULING, DECISION, JUDGMENT OR OTHER EXERCISE OF DISCRETION BY ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES; (2) PERSONAL OR BODILY INJURIES (INCLUDING DEATH); AND (3) DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF PROPERTY, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, PRESENT OR FUTURE, OR CONTINGENT OR CERTAIN. THIS RELEASE EXTENDS FULLY TO ANY PRESENT OR FUTURE ACTS/INACTIONS WHETHER NEGLIGENT, RECKLESS, KNOWING OR INTENTIONAL. I/WE AGREE I/WE WILL NOT SUE OR ASSERT ANY CLAIM (INCLUDING FOR DAMAGES, DECLARATORY, OR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF) REGARDING THIS TOURNAMENT IN ANY COURT, FORUM OR PROCEEDING. IF ANY CLAIM IS BROUGHT BY ANY PLAYER(S) OR TEAM IN ANY COURT, FORUM OR PROCEEDING AGAINST THE RELEASED PARTIES, OR A RELEASED PARTY, I/WE AGREE TO PAY SUCH PARTY'S REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES INCURRED IN DEFENDING, SETTLING, OR OBTAINING DISMISSAL OF THE ACTION.
- ◆ I/We agree to pay for any injury, damage or loss to person or property caused by my/our conduct, acts and inactions while participating in the Tournament. In the case any loss is incurred or any charge or claim is made against any of the Released Parties for any injury, damage or loss to person or property due to the conduct, act or inaction of me/any of us, I/we agree to defend and indemnify the Released Party or Released Parties from and against such charge or claim.
- ◆ **GRAPHIC/VIDEO/AUDIO/MEDIA APPEARANCE RELEASE:** In connection with my/our appearance at, and participation in, the Tournament and all related activities and my/our visit to the Tournament's location, I/we each give APA, and its licensees, designees and assigns, the full, unconditional and irrevocable right to (1) film, photograph, tape, record and edit me/each of us and to use my/our personal biographic information, including without limitation, my/our appearance, likeness, identity, name, nickname, behavior, actions, voice, and conversations at any time during the Event by use of any means, media or technology (collectively "Appearance"), (2) use, broadcast, reproduce, distribute and exhibit my/our Appearance freely in any media or for any purpose, including for any and all advertising, promotional and commercial purposes, (3) edit, modify, adapt, make derivative works from, copyright and otherwise use my/our Appearance as APA chooses. I/We each recognize that content of my/our Appearance (including how the content is edited or how I/any of us may be depicted or portrayed) may be viewed as favorable, positive, humorous, embarrassing, unfavorable, or negative, and I/we each hereby waive any claim that I/we may have against the Tournament Director, APA or any associated employee, agent, assign or licensee relating to how my/our Appearance is edited, depicted or portrayed in any work that may be created. I/We each expressly waive any claim of any right or interest in any Appearance and any compensation or other benefits for my/our Appearance in any media or distribution outlet. I/We each acknowledge and agree that APA shall be the exclusive owner of all copyrights and other rights to and in connection with any Appearance and APA shall have full rights to license others to use them in any manner at APA's discretion.

WE EACH CERTIFY OUR REPRESENTATIONS IN THIS STATEMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE. BY OUR SIGNATURES BELOW, WE ARE ALSO CERTIFYING THAT THE SKILL LEVELS LISTED REFLECT OUR TRUE PLAYING ABILITY AS OF THE DATE LISTED ON THIS STATEMENT.

CORRECT SKILL LEVEL	PLAYER NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE

PLAYERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING THE SKILL LEVEL PRINTED ON THEIR SCORESHEET REFLECTS INCREASES IN SKILL LEVEL REQUESTED ON THIS FORM.

