

ATTENTION ALL PLAYERS:

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

As per the By-Laws, **8-ball** teams can receive up to 2 extra points (Bonus Points) and **9-ball** teams can receive up to 15 Bonus Points per week, in addition to the normal points earned by teams for winning matches (in 8-ball) or pocketing balls (in 9-ball). Bonus Points are contingent upon the following criteria:

To earn the first Bonus Point in 8-ball (or 8 points in 9-ball), you must either return your team envelope to the drop-off location OR mail it in on time (according to the specific rules for your division), with the original scoresheet and all owed dues/memberships paid in full. For mail-in divisions, we only accept envelopes sent via regular mail—teams that use any express mail, overnight mail or any mail that requires a signature will not be eligible to receive bonus points. If your team does not earn this first bonus point, it will not be eligible to receive the 2nd.

To earn the second Bonus Point in 8-ball (or 7 points in 9-ball), the scoresheet must be completely filled out, including all of the following sections:

- **DEFENSIVE SHOTS SECTION**

IMPORTANT: SOMETHING MUST BE WRITTEN HERE FOR EACH PLAYER IN EACH MATCH. IF THERE ARE NO DEFENSIVE SHOTS PLAYED BY A PLAYER IN A MATCH, YOU MUST INDICATE THAT EITHER WITH A ZERO (0), OR SOME OTHER NOTATION. IF IT IS LEFT BLANK IN ANY MATCH, YOUR TEAM WILL NOT EARN THE 2ND BONUS POINT. The element that makes our League both fun and competitive is that each player and team has a fair opportunity to win every night due to the ranking system. Failure to properly mark Defensive Shots is the #1 cause of players not being accurately ranked. **For more information about what is and what is not a Defensive Shot, see the video on our website “Understanding Defensive Shots in the APA”.**

- **TOTAL INNINGS SECTION**

Count up all the innings for each match and write the total in the designated box (highlighted in yellow).

- **PLAYER # SECTION**

Matches are scored using player numbers, therefore it is extremely inconvenient if any of them are left blank.

- **SPORTSMANSHIP SECTION**

Double Jeopardy teams (teams that play 8-ball & 9-ball on the same night) only need to mark the sportsmanship section on the original 8-ball scoresheet.

- **MATCH SCORE**

In 8-ball write the matches won in the designated boxes and in 9-ball write the total points earned by each player.