# NEW!!! 8-Ball Be One of the First to Try! 3-Point Scoring System

## **Every Game Counts!**

## All 8-Ball rules apply; there are just a few changes in the scoring:

- 1. Player A wins with a shutout; they win 3-0.
- 2. If Player A wins, but Player B wins a game, Player A gets 2-0.
- 3. If Player A wins, but Player B makes it to the hill, the split is 2-1.

Byes receive 8 points and forfeits receive 2 points in the regular session and 3 points in playoffs.

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### 1. Why the change?

We believe this system will result in closer match scores and help to reduce sandbagging by making every game within a match important. It also allows the losing player to contribute to the teams' points by winning a game and contribute even more by getting to the hill even though they didn't win the their individual match. Every game matters!

#### 2. When will this new scoring system take effect?

EMEDIATLEY! All 8-Ball divisions in the Central Oklahoma APA will start with this upcoming Spring Session that starts December 30th 2012 for regular league play and End of Session Division Play-offs. The remainder of the Higher Level Tournaments (Tri-Cups, Local Team Championships and the National Team Championships) for the 2012-2013 league year will be scored the old way until the Tournament Software is updated for the 2013-2014 league year.

All APA, CPA and JPA Leagues will be required to convert to the 3-point scoring system no later than Spring Session 2014. The 2014 APA National Team Championships will be conducted using the 3-point scoring system.

3. Does a team still need to win 3 of 5 matches to win the overall point total for the evening?

No, similar to 9-Ball scoring, it's based on performance points, so it's possible for a team to win only 2 matches and win the overall point total. For example, 3-0, 3-0, 1-2, 1-2, 1-2 which is a 9-6 split in favor of the team that won only 2 matches. The team points will be added week after week throughout the session. The team with the most points after the last week of play will be awarded 1st Place (just like before). All the breaker and other rules will remain the same. In the play-offs you will play till one team gets to a point that the other team can't beat them even by winning the remainder of the points available, just like in the 9-Ball scoring system.

#### 4. How is it marked on the scoresheet?

In the W-L column next to the score, instead of marking W or L, you'll mark the appropriate point split (3-0, 2-0 or 2-1). It is very important to put the correct score because those are the numbers we will be entering in our system. You will learn it fast!

Then total each team's points in the box at the bottom next to the correct team # and captain's signature. Example: where it used to be (5-0), (4-1) or (3-2) now you would total each team's individual match points: (8-6), (7-7), (4-9) or what ever the score adds up to and put it in the correct team's box. If you make a mistake in adding the total points our computer will take the correct totals as long as each individual match point is correct.

We are very excited to finally get to implement this system. It may take a little while to get used to but it is going to make our League even better and more fair to play in! Have Fun. Meet People. Play Pool. Thank you for playing APA!



For more information on the 3-point scoring system, contact your local APA League Operator.

