

**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.

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

