



What's Up with the 23-Rule?

Members often ask us why APA Leagues use the 23-Rule. Sometimes this is a tricky issue for teams, especially if there are too many highly skilled players on their team. Basically, the reason for the 23-Rule is simple—it's the backbone of the handicap system.

The Equalizer handicap and scoring system allows players of different skill levels to compete equally. The 23-Rule handicaps the team. Without this rule, a team could potentially consist of ALL skill level 7 players. Even with *The Equalizer*, this would make it difficult for teams without higher skilled players to compete and win.

Remember, in the APA, *Everyone Can Play—Anyone Can Win!* The 23-Rule and *The Equalizer* handicap system make this possible!