

PLAYER INFORMATION



TERMS AND CONDITIONS - THE 2017 / 2018 WORLD SENIORS TOUR

- 1, The World Seniors Tour is being run and promoted by Jason Francis at Snooker Legends in partnership with Stephen Hendry MBE. The World Seniors Snooker Championship, The Uk Seniors Snooker Championship, The Seniors Irish Masters and the Seniors Masters all form part of The World Seniors Tour.
- 2, All players who enter any qualifying event confirm they are over the age of 40 years on or before the first days play of that qualifier. Players will be expected to provide proof of age if requested and in any event will be required to provide proof of age before playing in the final stages. Anyone found to not be eligible will be disqualified for the event and lose their entrance fee. You are not required to be a member, or affiliated to any association to allow you to enter. This tournament is only open to Amateur players not currently in the 128 nominated World Snooker Professionals ranking system. The World Seniors Tour is a WPBSA sanctioned tour and anyone who is currently serving any ban or suspension is not eligible to enter.
- 3, Players can purchase one place at all qualifiers for all four events. In the event they win an event, and therefore qualify for the final stages and do not need to play in future events, the player will be withdrawn from all future events and the entrance money will be refunded.
- 4, The winner of each qualifier agrees to participate in the Final Stages of the Main Event.
- 5, The winner of each qualifier agrees to attend the Launch Dinner the Final Stages of the Main Event.
- 6, The winner of each qualifier agrees to stay at the official team hotel. Bed and Breakfast costs will be covered for one room (two guests) for as long as you remain in the tournament apart from Ireland where you are required to stay for the whole weekend.
- 7, All players understand, and accept, that qualifiers are played in snooker clubs and whereas every effort will be provide the best standard of table, we cannot replicate professional tournament table conditions. We will work with all clubs to provide the best conditions we can.
- 8, At qualifying venues referees will only be provided from the semi-finals. Up until that point players will be required to referee themselves with a roving referee available to rule on any incident requested. (Free ball etc)
- 9, At the final stages all matches will have a qualified referee in charge.
- 10, All qualifying matches in the Worlds, Uk, Masters and Irish Events, save the final, are played under a best of 5 frames format but if the match reaches 2 frames all then the final frame is decided with a black ball respot. In effect the respotted black ball shootout replaces the deciding frame. All Final Stage Matches at the final venue in the Seniors Masters are played under a best of 3 frames format but if the match reaches 1 frame all then the final frame is decided with a black ball respot. In effect the respotted black ball shootout replaces the deciding frame

- 11, At the final stages a 30 second shot clock will be in operation, with each player having 2 opportunities per match to call a time out and receive an additional 30 seconds.
- 12, The final of the Worlds, Uk and Irish Events will be played over a best of 7 frames but with a respotted black if it goes 3-3. In effect the respotted black ball shootout replaces the deciding frame. The final of the Masters Event will be played over a best of 3 frames but with a respotted black if it goes 1-1. In effect the respotted black ball shootout replaces the deciding frame.
- 13, At the final stages of the events a 'live commentary' will accompany all matches.
- 14, We cannot guarantee practice tables will be available during qualifiers or at the final events.
- 15, Qualifiers and seeds for the final stages are allowed two tickets to their actual match and two players' lounge passes per day. Applications for these should be made to the tournament director no later than the morning of their playing day. Players are responsible for the conduct of their guests
- 16, Qualifiers and seeds are responsible for their own visa requirements should they not be allowed to travel and work in the UK or Ireland without one.
- 17, On arrival at the qualifiers and final stages, if applicable, players must register and sign in no later than 15 minutes before their start time. Players should be ready to play 10 minutes before play with all relevant logos attached.
- 18, The referees watch is the official time. It is the player's responsibility to be on time. All matches are played without an interval. If a player is late for his match a frame will be deducted for every 15 minutes they are not available for play.
- 19, For qualifiers players are required to wear suit trousers, collared shirt with tie or bow tie, waistcoat and suitable shoes. For the final stages a tie should be worn for afternoon sessions and bow tie for the evenings.
20. Players can wear up to 4 logos and have 2 to sell. Players will be expected to wear up to 2 logos provided by the event promoter. These will be attached with double sided tape and will not harm anyone's waistcoat.
- 21, Should a headline sponsor be announced the player agrees their logos cannot clash with their type of business.
- 22, All players agree to promote the event on their social media and not make adverse comments which could affect the brand.
- 23, All Qualifying winners agree to make themselves available for a reasonable amount of time to promote their participation in the final stages of the event.
- 24, The winner of the World Seniors Championship will receive an invitation to the 2018 Betfred World Snooker Championships. This invitation will be subject to terms and conditions including the terms and conditions of entry for the tournament, agreeing to sign the World Snooker players contract. This invitation is only available to the winner of the tournament and if the winner has qualified for the event through other means, this invitation will not be transferred to any other player. The link to that is here

<http://www.wpbsa.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/COMBINED-Members-Rules-and-regulations-as-revised-October-2014.pdf>

25, The winner understands the entry fee for the 2018 Betfred World Championships will be deducted from the winner's prize money

26, Prize money will be paid no later than 30 days after the event has finished by BACS into the players designated bank account. If a player fails to provide their correct details then the promoter cannot be held responsible for late payment. If more than one player achieves the same high break and/or achieves a maximum break within the same event, the relevant prize will be shared equally.

27, Entry fees are payable through our tournament entry system, apart from the World Qualifier in China which can be paid through the alternative link provided. Once payment has been made refunds can only be made under the terms stated in clause 3 of this document.

28, The tournament director has the right to reschedule matches to allow for sensible and continual progression of the event. No player will be expected to play their first round match earlier than advertised in the draw.

29, The draw for each qualifier will be made no later than 7 days before the event. The draw and format of play will be sent to the players nominated email account. The promoter takes no responsibility if an incorrect address is provided.

30, In the event that entries exceed 64 players the start date of the qualifier could move by one or two days. Players should be aware and make provision that their first round match may not be on the advertised date of the qualifiers but will be no more than two days earlier.

31, Every player will be expected to confirm their acceptance of these terms prior to their payment of entry fees.

32, All players will need to adhere and agree to the terms laid out by the WPBSA Member Rules and regulations including, but not limited to those rules in relation to Anti Doping and Anti Corruption. <http://www.wpbsa.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/COMBINED-Members-Rules-and-regulations-as-revised-October-2014.pdf>

33, All players understand that they are forbidden from betting on any matches in the tournament, even if they are not participating in the match.

34, The rules applicable to all members of the WPBSA should be read and understood, any breach of which may potentially result in disciplinary action

35, Seeded players may be subject to change at short notice.

38, The promoter may extend the cut-off dates for qualifying in exceptional circumstances. Should a qualifier become full before the entry closing date the promoter reserves the right to stop taking any more entries for that event and close it early. Generally Closing dates are 14 days before the first day of the event.

39, If you play snooker from a wheelchair, or have any disability we should be aware of, please inform us so we can make the necessary arrangements for you. Please note not all qualifying clubs have disabled access.

40, WORLD SENIORS TOUR PRIZE MONEY

WORLD CHAMPS - Scunthorpe

The Winner receives £10,000

The Runner up receives £3,000

The Losing semi-finalists receive £1500

The Losing quarter finalists receive £500

Amateurs can win a place in 2018 worlds

High break (final stages) £500

World Qualifier

Any player who gets to a semi of a qualifier receives a free place in another of the seasons qualifiers

Winner gets £250, a chance to win £10,000 and a place in the 2018 worlds at the final event.

UK CHAMPS REDHILL

The Winner receives £7,500

The Runner up receives £2,500

The Losing semi-finalists receive £1000 x 2

The Losing quarter finalists receive £500 x 4

High break (final stages) £500

UK Qualifier

Any player who gets to the semi of a qualifier receives a free place in another UK, Irish or Masters qualifiers. Winner of each qualifier gets £250 a chance to win £7500.

SENIORS IRISH MASTERS - Goffs

The Winner receives £5,000

The Runner up receives £2,000

The Losing semi-finalists receive £800 x 2

The Losing quarter finalists receive £400

High break (final stages) £500

Irish Qualifier

Any player who gets to a semi of a qualifier receives a free place in another Irish or Masters qualifier

Winner gets £400 and a chance to play for £5000 in Goffs

SENIORS MASTERS- CRUCIBLE SHEFFIELD

The Winner receives £7,500

The Runner up receives £2,500

The Losing semi-finalists receive £1000 x 2

The Losing quarter finalists receive £500 x 4

Masters Qualifier

Any player who gets beyond a semi of a qualifier receives a free place in another Irish or Masters qualifier. Winner gets £500 and a chance to play for £7,500 in the Crucible

147 MAXIMUM BREAK – KIA SPORTAGE CAR KX4

41. At every qualifier the 3 players who reach the semi-final, but who do not go on to win the event, will receive a free place at another of the world tour qualifiers. This entry 'credit' can be used to enter either another qualifier in the same competition or can be used to enter another tour event where the entrance money is equal to or less than the amount they paid for the event in which they earned this 'credit'. The 'credit' must be claimed in the same season, with the exception of the 3 winners in Spawell (World q8) who can use their credit for the following season. All players who receive credits understand they cannot use it if their chosen event has already passed its closing date, or indeed has been filled or closed for entry early by the tournament director. The use of a 'credit' is entirely at the promoter's discretion and they cannot be transferred to any other player, or exchanged for money. The promoter has the right to refuse entry to any event, to any player, if they so wish.

42, All players who reach the final stages of the Seniors Irish Masters and Masters Seniors Championships agree to stay for the whole duration of the event, even if they lose early. This is because VIP receptions form a large part of these two events. A Vip reception lasts for no more than 45 minutes, before the sessions play, and all players are expected to attend to meet the guest and sponsors and sign autographs.

43, qualifying venues are subject to change in exceptional circumstances. In this instance all players would be given the chance to receive a full refund if the new location as not suitable.

44, A Kia Sportage KX4 is offered for any player who makes an officiated 147 break at one of the final stage events. For avoidance of doubt a final stage event is the Uk Seniors in Redhill, Irish Masters in Goffs, Worlds in Scunthorpe or the Masters in Sheffield. This does not apply to qualifiers. This prize is offered by Victor Wood Kia (Grantham) and there is not a cash alternative offered.

END OF TERMS