

Women's Snooker World Cup 2023

Closing Date: Friday 27 January 2023 (4.30pm GMT)



Dates:	25-27 February 2023			
Venue:	Hi-End Snooker Club, Phahonyothin Alley, Khwaeng Lat Phrao, Khet Lat Phrao, Krung Thep Maha Nakhon 10230, Thailand			
Entry fee:	Main competition: £80 per team (£40 per player)			
Format:	Group stage: Play all 5 frames (1 v 1, 2 v 2, doubles, 1 v 2, 2 v 1) Knockout stage: Best of 5/7 frames View the full World Cup rules HERE . Format subject to change, dependent on entries			
Minimum prize money:		Number	Team Prize	Round Total
	Winner	1	£3,000	£3,000
	Runner-up	1	£1,500	£1,500
	Semi-finalist	2	£750	£1,500
	Quarter-finalist	4	£300	£1,200
	Highest Break	1	£100	£100
	Challenge Cup		£120/£80	£200
	Total event prize fund: Minimum £7,500. May increase subject to sponsorship			
Eligibility:	Each country will be represented by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A maximum of two teams, each consisting of two players, EXCEPT for the host nation Thailand which may enter up to three teams.• Should a player withdraw before the event, a replacement player may be entered. This cannot be switched back and players may not be rotated during the event. <p>Where a country has currently ranked WWS players, players will be invited to compete based upon their world ranking following the 2022 Eden Masters. Teams will be allocated based on ranking, i.e. the top two highest ranked players of a country will be Team A, the following two will be Team B.</p> <p>Where a country has one currently ranked WWS player, additional players will be invited in consultation with the ranked player, the relevant national governing body (regional body e.g. EBSA, APSBF, PABSA, ABSC if necessary), and the WPBSA/WSF.</p> <p>Where a country has no currently ranked WWS players, selection will be based upon consultation with the relevant national governing body (regional body if necessary), and the WPBSA/WSF.</p>			

	<p>Players are to be aware that should a second player from their country not enter, they will not be able to participate in the tournament and will receive a refund of their entry fee. Should a player not have a partner by 27 January we will contact them by email.</p>
<p>Enter:</p>	<p>Currently Ranked Players</p> <p>The highest ranked players from each country will be contacted directly by WWS and invited to enter online.</p> <p>Should an invited player decline their place, or not respond by 13 January 2023, their place will be offered to the next highest-ranked players from that country until the teams are complete.</p> <p>Once a player has formally declined their place, this decision will be taken as final.</p> <p>Not Currently Ranked Players</p> <p>All other players are encouraged to contact us by email at info@womenssnooker.com to register interest in competing in the event.</p> <p>Payment of World Cup entry fees must be made prior to the event entry deadline of <u>27 January 2023</u> by one of the following methods:</p> <p>By PayPal: Please make payment to info@womenssnooker.com, or contact us at this email address to request a PayPal invoice.</p> <p>By bank transfer: Account Name: World Women’s Snooker Name of Bank: Barclays Bank Account Number: 70354791 Sort Code: 20-13-67 IBAN: GB42 BUKB 2013 6770 3547 91 BIC / SWIFT: BUKBGB22</p> <p>Entries are not accepted until players have confirmed their entry with us and made payment of the entry fee.</p> <p>All players will be required to agree to our terms and conditions at pre-event registration before their opening match.</p> <p>Players are invited to submit player photographs by email to matt.huart@wpbsa.com if they do not currently have a photo on WPBSA SnookerScores.</p>
<p>Dress code:</p>	<p>Long-sleeved shirt or blouse, fastened waistcoat, smart trousers or skirt & smart shoes (no boots / trainers). Bow tie is optional. Teammates do not have to dress the same.</p> <p>View the WWS Dress Code Guidelines for further details and information.</p>

	<p>Please refer to our Standard Terms of Entry below for full information on what is permitted and for the consequences of any breach of the dress code.</p>
<p>Seeding cut-off:</p>	<p>The official two-year WWS Rankings after the 2023 Asia-Pacific Women’s Championship shall be used to seed this event.</p> <p>The defending champions (i.e. Siripaporn Nuanthakhamjan/Waratthanun Sukritthanes) will be number 1 seed should the team enter.</p> <p>The remaining players will be seeded in accordance with the world rankings, in order of the highest ranked player in each team.</p>
<p>Seeding and PR activities:</p>	<p>There will be two seeded teams (subject to change depending on number of team entries) allocated to each group during the round-robin stages. Seeding will be based upon the WWS Rankings.</p> <p>Teams shall be separated by nationality at the round-robin group stage.</p>
<p>Logos and brand exclusion:</p>	<p>Players are permitted to wear up to four sponsor logos, to include the tournament logo (Hi-End). The following patches are to be provided on arrival:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWS logo • Hi-End Snooker Club logo <p>Please view page 5 of our Dress Code Guidelines for further details.</p>
<p>Hotels:</p>	<p>You are free to book any hotel, however, Hi-End Snooker will offer a free shuttle bus to/from the venue once per day from the following hotels:</p> <p>wawa residence รัชดา 36 Distance to venue: 1.9 km / 1.2 miles</p> <p>MY LOFT HOTEL Distance to venue: 1.9 km / 1.2 miles</p> <p>Livotel Hotel Kaset Nawamin Bangkok Distance to venue: 1.8 km / 1.1 miles</p> <p>INFINITE HOTEL @ KASET Distance to venue: 2.1 km / 1.3 miles</p> <p>The Quarter Ladprao by UHG Distance to venue: 5.8 km / 3.6 miles</p> <p>Players are strongly encouraged to stay at these hotels. Players not staying at these hotels will be required to arrange their own transportation to/from the venue.</p> <div data-bbox="1050 1361 1497 1662" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><i>Click to view full-size image or HERE for online Google map</i></p>

	<p>If you require further information regarding the hotel/shuttles please contact Mr Gap, Hi-End Manager by WhatsApp: +66 922 649699</p>
International Travel:	<p>Players should be aware of the latest travel advice in place, in particular with regards to COVID-19. Advice can be found via the following links:</p> <p>Thai Embassy: https://www.thaiembassy.com/weekly-updates/thailand-entry-requirements-for-october-2022</p> <p>Players travelling from the UK are also directed to the Government's Foreign Travel Advice to Thailand: https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/thailand/coronavirus</p> <p><u>Travel</u></p> <p><u>By air</u></p> <p>Suvarnabhumi Airport (35km / 22 miles)</p> <p>Airport Shuttles</p> <p>There will be a free airport shuttle service to/from either the five hotels listed above, or the Hi-End Snooker Club.</p> <p>Players must complete our online form to inform us of their flight numbers & arrival/departure times as soon as possible and by no later than 10 February 2023.</p> <p>If you require further information regarding the hotel/shuttles please contact Mr Gap, Hi-End Manager by WhatsApp: +66 922 649699</p>
Extras:	<p>Player Welcome</p> <p>WWS/Hi-End Snooker officials will be present on the evening of 24th February 2023 prior to the start of the tournament to welcome players and answer questions about the tournament.</p> <p>Rules</p> <p>The tournament will be played in accordance with the latest WPBSA Rules of Snooker and Billiards Rulebook available to view at the WPBSA website. It is the responsibility of the players to be aware of the current rules.</p> <p>The WWS World Cup rules will also be applied at the event.</p>
Further questions:	<p>If you have any further questions about the tournament then please do not hesitate to contact the team.</p>



WWS STANDARD CONDITIONS OF ENTRY 2.1

Issued: 21st June 2022



All events that are part of the World Women's Snooker Tour are subject to the following Standard Conditions of Entry which are subject to change at the discretion of World Women's Snooker ('WWS').

Please be reminded that all players are responsible for keeping WWS up to date with their current email address.

WPBSA Members Rules and Disciplinary Rules

All Players: From the date of entry to any WWS event until 28 days after the conclusion of the event all players entering WWS events are bound by the [WPBSA Conduct Regulations](#).

The General Obligations under the Members Rules can be found here:
<https://wpbsa.com/governance/members-rules/>

Please ensure that you have read and understand the terms and conditions of entry, rules and regulations of the WPBSA.

Entry Criteria: All WWS ranking events are open to women players of any age or nationality, subject to board approval. Players must be a member of OR in good standing with their National Governing Body.

Entry/closing dates: Entry fees (cleared funds) for all WWS tournaments must be received together with a completed entry form by 4:30pm BST on the relevant closing date as set out within each tournament entry pack in order for your entry to be accepted into the event. Entry fees are non-refundable following the event entry deadline & payable via bank transfer or PayPal. Late entries may be accepted after the closing date at the absolute discretion of WWS.

Prize Money: Prize money for each event is defined on the Event Entry Form. The sterling equivalent amount of prize money will be paid unless specified otherwise within the Entry Form, either by WWS or the event promoter, after deduction of any local withholding tax as applicable. An original withholding tax certificate for each player will be produced & sent to you which may be used to reclaim the WHT against your tax liabilities. For payment to be paid directly into your account WWS will disclose your bank details to the event promoter. It is the players' sole responsibility to ensure WWS has a completed up to date bank nomination form at all times, blank forms to be available at each event.

Rankings: Players will receive ranking points as outlined in the Indicative Prize Money Rankings Points Schedule for the current season.

Seeding Structure – Unless otherwise stated in the Event Entry Pack the defending champion will be number 1 seed and the reigning world champion will be seeded number 2. The remaining players will be seeded according to the official WWS world ranking list, in line with the number of entries. Players on equal ranking points will be seeded based on the best performance (stage/round reached through winning a match) working backwards from the most recent ranking event.

Unseeded players will be drawn at random. WWS reserves the right of host nation or national governing body to separate players according to player nationality as far as practicable.

Seeding cut-off: The event seedings will be determined by the ranking list issued following the previous tournament. WWS reserves the right to change the number of players to be seeded for a tournament subject to entry numbers.

PR Activities: Where specified within the event entry pack, players are to attend from the start of the tournament for PR activities when seeded through group stages.

Draw & Format: Draw & Format: Each event draw will be conducted by WWS (in conjunction with the promoter where applicable) as soon as possible after the closing date of entry & relevant seeding cut-off date. Event formats are subject to change dependent on entry numbers.

In the event of a withdrawal after the draw has been made, we reserve the right to rebalance the groups to provide maximum playing opportunities. For example, should a withdrawal mean that there are groups of 3, 4, and 5, we may draw a non-seeded player from the groups of 5 to join any groups of 3.

Dress Code: Long-sleeved shirt or blouse, fastened waistcoat, smart trousers or skirt & smart shoes (no boots / trainers). Bow tie is

optional unless otherwise stated in the Event Entry Pack. We do NOT allow footwear including trainers, running shoes, sneakers, sandals, slippers, boots or playing with bare feet. Please see refer to the official [WWS Dress Code Guidance](#) for further information. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final in respect of Non-adherence to the Dress Code. Non-compliance with the Dress Code will result in a breach of the terms and conditions of entry for this tournament. For the avoidance of doubt WWS may on the Tournament Director's discretion consider the appropriate sanction in this case MAY be withdrawal from the tournament without refund of the entry fee. The Tournament Director also reserves the right to report a player to the WPBSA for a breach of the dress code.

Mobile Phones/Electronic Communication

Devices: Players are NOT permitted to use any mobile phones or other electronic communication devices during the course of a match, unless during permitted breaks of at least 15 minutes. Any player seen in breach of this by any WWS tournament official or referee will be reported to the Tournament Director and will be dealt with by the Tournament Director on conclusion of the match. The Tournament Director will then determine whether any sanction is required taking account of any mitigating circumstances. The only available sanction in this case to be at the discretion of the tournament director MAY be withdrawal from the tournament without refund of entry fee. The Tournament Directors decision will be final in respect of exceptional mitigating circumstances.

Smoking/E-cigarettes: Players are NOT permitted to smoke or use e-cigarettes during the course of a match, unless during permitted breaks of at least 15 minutes. Any player seen in breach of this by any WWS tournament official or referee will be reported to the Tournament Director and will be dealt with by the Tournament Director on conclusion of the match. The Tournament Director will then determine whether any sanction is required taking account of any mitigating circumstances. The only available sanction in this case to be at the discretion of the tournament director MAY be withdrawal from the tournament without refund of entry fee. The Tournament Directors decision will be final in respect of exceptional mitigating circumstances.

Coaching: Coaching is not permitted during play. For the avoidance of doubt this includes between frames during the current session, unless during permitted breaks of at least 15 minutes. Any player seen in breach of this by any WWS tournament official or referee will be reported to the Tournament Director and will be dealt with by the Tournament Director on conclusion of the match. The Tournament Director will then determine whether any sanction is required taking account of any mitigating circumstances. The only available sanction in this case to be at the discretion of the tournament director MAY be withdrawal from the tournament without refund of entry fee. The Tournament Directors decision will be final in respect of exceptional mitigating circumstances.

Grievances:

a. Should the Player wish to make any criticism or complaint or raise any grievance in respect of any matter relating to WWS or its employees or directors, a Referee, Tournament, Director, Equipment, any of the Partners or any of the Venues at any time then the Player shall do so by:

- i. Contacting the Referee for those complaints relating to Equipment or other item which affects the Player's ability to play snooker during a Match.
- ii. Contacting the Tournament Director for those complaints arising during a WWS Event.
- iii. Contacting a board member in writing for any other complaint or grievance.

Any player found to have made public any grievance outside of the above options shall be reported to the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director will then determine whether any sanction is required taking account of any mitigating circumstances. At the discretion of the tournament director sanction MAY be withdrawal from the tournament without refund of entry fee and/or referral to the WPBSA.

Social Media Guidelines: Players are to be aware of the [WPBSA Social Media Guidelines](#). Please note that a breach of the WPBSA social media guidelines is likely to be reported to the WPBSA disciplinary process.

WWS Disciplinary Procedure: In the event of any breach of these terms and conditions

reported by the Tournament Director or any other party the [WWS Disciplinary Rules](#) shall apply.

Transgender Policy: WWS and its events operate in accordance with the official WPBSA Trans and Gender Diverse Policy.

Age Restricted Tournaments: Players aged 20 or under on the last day of an event will be eligible to enter an Under-21 side-tournament. Players aged 40 or over on the first day of an event will be eligible to enter a Seniors side-tournament.

Roaming Referees: If a dispute arises in a match where there is no match referee, either player has the right to call upon a roaming referee. In the event of there not being a roaming referee either player has the right to call upon the senior referee. If neither is available, either player may call the Tournament Director.

Lateness: Where a player arrives late for their scheduled match time, a frame will be docked at the scheduled start time. A second frame will be docked fifteen minutes later and then after every five minutes until the match is over. Regardless of the scheduled length of the match, once a player has been docked five frames the match is over.

Side-events: If a player is competing in both the main competition and a side-event during a tournament WWS reserves the right to withdraw a player from a side-event if required by the schedule. This decision is to be taken by the Tournament Director and the player removed would receive free entry to a future equivalent event.

Pre-tournament events: Players must attend any pre-tournament events where required by the WWS.

Logos: Players are permitted to wear up to four logos, to cover an area no greater than 6 square inches (38.7 square cm). WWS reserves the right to apply brand exclusion on an event-by-event basis. This will be notified clearly within the entry pack for each relevant tournament where applicable. WWS reserves the right to hold one logo place back for event title sponsor or WPBSA/WWS partner, players to be notified in advance.

Accommodation: Each player is responsible for the payment of their hotel and expenses at WWS events. If you request WWS to reserve you a

room with the host country, WWS will assist in making a booking in the hotel/location, however following reservation, any changes, cancellation fees, early/late check in/out, travel to and from the airport are the responsibility of you the player unless agreed in advance by WWS. WWS will not be responsible for any charges incurred. If you do not pay for your hotel then this may be referred to the WPBSA who will have the right to withhold prize money to pay any outstanding charges.

Cancellation/Relocation/Postponement: If a tournament is cancelled, relocated or postponed entry fees will be refunded.

Non-attendance: In the event that you cannot appear at a tournament that you have entered you must inform WWS (either the Tournament Director or info@womenssnooker.com) as soon as possible as this will impact upon the draw. If you do not inform us you this will be considered a breach of the Event Conditions and MAY be subject to the WWS Disciplinary Rules.

Photo/Video Consent: There are likely to be photographs and videos taken at WWS events. WWS may use such images for promotional material both at the current and future events and promotions across a number of media platforms.

Data Use: WWS will use the information you provide on your event entry to contact you and provide updates e.g. email newsletters. You can unsubscribe at any time. View our [Privacy Policy](#) online. WWS will also reserve the right to publish player names online, e.g. within match reports or tournament information across its media platforms.

Presentations: Medallists must be available to attend medal/trophy presentations if required by the WWS, unless explicitly permitted not to by the WWS.

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