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Dear Player

## **International Open Series 2005/2006**

**Tournament Entry Pack Events 5, 6 and 7**

Closing Date for Entries:	<b>Event 5 – 25 October 2005</b>
	<b>Event 6 – 4 January 2006</b>
	<b>Event 7 – 4 January 2006</b>

Please find enclosed the following in respect of these events only:

- Entry Forms x 3
- Calendar of Events
- Qualifying Criteria for The Tour 2006/2007
- Credit Card Payment Forms x 3
- Rules of Entry
- Pre-paid Envelope
- Bank Nomination Form
- Order of Merit after Event 2

### **Competing Players**

There are eight events in the Pontin's International Open Series (PIOS), which are all open to players aged 15 years by 3 May 2005. All entrants must be amateur (non-members of WPBSA) and be members of the relevant National Governing Body. Proof of membership will be checked and any entries received that do not comply will be refused.

Players do not have to enter all eight events; you can enter as many or as few as you wish but once you have entered you must play in that event. Entry fees are non-refundable.

If paying by cheque, please make payable to 'WPBSA Ltd'.

### **Venue**

All eight events will be played at the World Snooker Centre @ Pontin's, Prestatyn.

### **Seedings**

All draws will be un-seeded and made at random. If byes are required these will be given at random.

### **Round Structure**

Matches will be played on a roll on/roll off basis and play will commence at 10.00 am each day and will continue until all matches are completed.

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All matches up to and including the Last 16 will be the best of 7 frames, Quarter Finals and Semi Finals will be best of 9 frames and the Final will be the best of 11 frames.

### **Prize Money**

The prize money breakdown will be subject to the number of entries received and will be sent with the playing details. However, based on 128 entries World Snooker intend that a minimum of 85% of the total entry fees will be allocated to the prize fund and it is anticipated that the breakdown will be as follows:

	<u>Approx Round %</u>	<u>Paid out</u>
Winner	20.00%	1
Runner Up	10.00%	1
Losing Semi Finalists	10.00%	2
Losing Quarter Finalists	12.50%	4
Last 16	12.50%	8
Last 32	15.00%	16
Last 64	20.00%	32

A bank nomination form is enclosed to enable prize money to be paid directly to your bank account. Please complete and return with your entry form.

### **PIOS Order of Merit List**

The Order of Merit List for the PIOS is based on one season's Order of Merit points only and the Points List will be sent with the playing details. Only the best six results during the season will count towards the end of season PIOS Order of Merit List. Points earned on the PIOS relate only to the PIOS.

### **Future Tour Structure**

At the end of the 2005/2006 season, the top eight players from the PIOS Order of Merit List will be promoted to The Tour 2006/2007.

### **General**

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office. Please dial 0044 (0) 117 317 8200 and select option 2 for the Operations team.

Finally, please remember the **first closing date is 25 October 2005** and be assured that we will post your playing details to you as early as possible.

Yours sincerely



**Signed on behalf of the Board**