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Dear Player

PLAYERS TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP 2012/2013 ENTRY PACK FOR GDYNIA OPEN – POLAND (ET 2)

Closing Date: Thursday, 19 July 2012 (12.00 noon)

This entry pack outlines the event specific information for the Gdynia Open – **Poland (ET2)**. This entry pack should be read in conjunction with the Tour Players Pre Season letter dated 11 May 2012.

Entry Criteria

The Gdynia Open is open to all 2012/13 Tour players and amateur players. All players entering this event who have not already done so will be required to sign the WSL Players Contract.

Dates/Venue

16-18 August Qualifying (amateur pre qualifier, Last 128, Last 64)

World Snooker Academy, EIS, Sheffield

5-7 October Final Stages (Last 32 to Final)

Hala Sportowo-Widowiskowa, ul. Kazimierza Górskiego 8, 81-302 Gdynia, Poland

Online Entry System

Entries will only be accepted via the online entry system. No entries will be accepted by email, post or fax and no entries will be accepted after the closing date above.

Entry Fees:

The entry fee is £100 per event (non refundable) payable via the online entry system.

Prize Money

The breakdown is shown below:

	NUMBER	INDIVIDUAL PRIZE	ROUND TOTAL
		Euros	Euros
Winner	1	€12,000	€12,000
Runner-Up	1	€6,000	€6,000
Losing semi-finalist	2	€3,000	€6,000
Losing quarter-finalist	4	€2,000	€8,000
Last 16	8	€1,250	€10,000
Last 32	16	€750	€12,000
Last 64	32	€500	€16,000
Total prize fund			€70,000

Please note, WSL will be deducting the WPBSA levy of 2.5% on all prize money.

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Prize money for all rounds of the Gdynia Open will be paid by World Snooker as per the euro breakdown above. The equivalent amount of euros will be paid in sterling after deduction of any local withholding tax as applicable.

Please ensure that you have completed and returned a bank nomination form to enable payment to be made.

Players Tour Championship

The Gdynia Open is a Players Tour Championship 2012/2013 event.

Round Structure and Seedings

The event will consist of 128 players.

If the number of amateur entries exceeds the number of places available, then an amateur pre-qualifier will be played prior to the main event to complete the field of 128.

In the event that 128 entries are not received the highest seeded players will receive a bye into the last 64 round.

The last 32 players from the qualifying rounds (EIS Sheffield) will qualify for the final venue in Gdynia, Poland.

All matches will be the best of 7 frames.

There will be 64 seeded players according to the PTC Order of Merit after PTC 1.

The 64 un-seeded players shall be made up of:

All remaining Tour Players not in the Top 64 on the respective PTC Order of Merit The respective number of qualifiers from the pre-qualifying tournament (if required).

Ranking Points

Tour players competing in the Gdynia Open will receive world ranking points from the Last 64 round and all points earned count towards the Official World Ranking List.

Last 64	Last 32	Last 16	QF	SF	R/U	Winner
360	560	760	1000	1280	1600	2000

PTC Order of Merit

The prize money won by all participating players shall be counted toward the PTC Order of Merit.

Amateur Order of Merit

At each of the European PTC tournaments to be staged in Furth (ET 1), Antwerp (ET 3), Bulgaria (ET 4), and Ravenscraig (ET 5) there will be an additional event for amateur players ONLY! These events will form the European amateur order of merit with points awarded per round. This order of merit will be used to qualify 3 players to compete on the WSL main tour for season 2013/14.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Draw and Format

Each PTC draw will be conducted by WSL and posted on www.worldsnooker.com as soon as possible after the closing date and seeding cut off.

Eurosport

We are pleased to advise that Eurosport will be broadcasting coverage of 1 match table from the final stages of this event.

Dress Code/Logos

Evening dress, waistcoat and bow tie should be worn whilst playing.

Players will be allowed to wear four logos. Two of the logos shall be retained by WSL for the European Tour Sponsor and the Local Event Sponsor. Players are entitled to sell their further two logos to non-conflicting sponsors in accordance with the Logo Code of Practice. Players will be advised of the excluded sponsorship category by WSL prior to the Event.

If you have any questions on the Gdynia Open or the Players Tour Championship events please contact WSL Operations in Bristol.

Finally, please remember the closing date is the 19 July 2012 – 12 noon.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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