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Dear Player

PLAYERS TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP 2012/2013 - ENTRY PACK FOR EVENTS 1-4

This entry pack outlines the event specific information for **UK PTC Events 1-4**. This entry pack should be read in conjunction with the Tour Players Pre Season letter dated 11 May 2012.

The Players Tour Championship 2012/2013 will comprise of ten events; 4 x UK PTCs (to be played at SWSA, Gloucester) and 6 European Tour events, which will give players entry into the existing Players Tour Championship Grand Final scheduled for March 2013.

Dates and Closing Dates

	Event Dates		Closing Date
	Amateur Pre Qualifier*	Last 128 (Tour Players)	
PTC1	18-19 July 2012	20-22 July 2012	2 July 2012 – 12 noon
PTC2	8-9 August 2012	10-12 August 2012	20 July 2012 – 12 noon
PTC3	5-6 September 2012	7-9 September 2012	20 August 2012 – 12 noon
PTC4	10-11 November 2012	12-14 November 2012	15 October 2012 – 12 noon

* amateur pre-qualifying day(s) are subject to the number of entries.

Entry Criteria

PTC events are open to all 2012/13 Tour players and amateur players. Any player entering the event(s) are required to sign and return to World Snooker Limited (WSL) a WSL Players Contract.

Venue

South West Snooker Academy, Waterwells Business Park, Gloucester GL2 2FN.

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 Sterling	ROUND TOTAL Sterling
Winner	1	£10,000	£10,000
Runner-Up	1	£5,000	£5,000
Losing semi-finalist	2	£2,500	£5,000
Losing quarter-finalist	4	£1,500	£6,000
Last 16	8	£1,000	£8,000
Last 32	16	£600	£9,600
Last 64	32	£200	£6,400
Total prize fund			£50,000

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

Prize money for all rounds in the UK PTC events will be paid after deduction of any FEU tax as applicable.

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

Round Structure and Seedings

Each 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 PTC 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.

All matches will be the best of 7 frames.

There will be 64 seeded players as per below:

- PTC Event 1 Tour players in order of Official World Ranking
- PTC Event 2 Based on the PTC Order of Merit after PTC1
- PTC Event 3 Based on the PTC Order of Merit after ET1/Paul Hunter Classic
- PTC Event 4 Based on the PTC Order of Merit after ET3/Antwerp Open

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 UK PTCs will receive world ranking points from the Last 64 round in each PTC 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

A separate one year PTC Order of Merit will be in operation for the PTC Series which is calculated on PTC prize money won. All players will appear on the PTC Order of Merit. Players on equal positions on the PTC Order of Merit will be ranked according to their best PTC performance working backwards. For the purposes of the Order of Merit £1 = €1.

Players Tour Championship Grand Final (provisionally 12-17 March 2013)

The top 25 players on the final PTC Order of Merit who have played in a minimum 5 PTC events (3 x Mainland Europe; 2 x UK) will qualify for the PTC Grand Final.

The PTC Grand Final will consist of 32 players (25 from PTC order of merit plus 3 APTC winners and 4 from the APTC order of merit) and will carry a Total prize fund of £300,000 (with a winners prize of £100,000) plus Official World Ranking Points as follows:-

Last 24	Last 16	QF	SF	R/U	Winner
840	1140	1500	1920	2400	3000

Should the same player qualify from the PTC Tour and the APTC Tour the invitation will be determined by WSL in consultation with the WPBSA.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Draw and Format

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

Dress Code/Logos

Evening dress, waistcoat and bow tie should be worn whilst playing. The usual WSL Logo Policy will apply.

Main Tour qualification for season 2013/2014

The top 8 players (professional or amateur) taken from the PTC Order of Merit, who have not already qualified will be awarded a place on the 2013/2014 Main Tour.

If you have any questions on the PTC events please contact WSL Operations in Bristol.

Finally, please remember **closing dates:**

PTC1	2 July 2012 – 12 noon
PTC2	20 July 2012 – 12 noon
PTC3	20 August 2012 – 12 noon
PTC4	15 October 2012 – 12 noon

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely



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