

THE TOUR 2012/2013 SEASON PROVISIONAL QUALIFYING CRITERIA

For the 2012/2013 season there will be a maximum of 99 players on the World Snooker Tour ("Tour") determined as follows:-

Top 64 from the official (two-year) World Ranking list at the end of 2012 World Championship	64
Top 8 players from 2011/2012 PTC Order of Merit not in top 64 on the official World Ranking List after 2012 World Championship*	8
Q School *	12
IBSF * (World Champion and U21 Champion**)	2
ACBS * (Asian Champion and U21 Champion**)	2
EBSA * (European Champion and U21 Champion**)	2
Asia * (2 x China, 1 x Thailand, 1 x India)	4
Europe *	2
Americas * ***	1
Oceania *	1
Africa *	1
	Max 99

^{*} Players qualifying through these places will receive a 2 year Tour card.

Notes:

- 1. All places are subject to qualification tournaments and events being conducted in accordance with WPBSA rules and regulations. All places on the Tour are at the sole discretion of the WPBSA, whose decision shall be final in the event of any dispute.
- 2. Tour qualification for players who are under 16 years of age is subject to meeting additional criteria and conditions laid down by WPBSA. Any player under 18 years of age on the closing date of entry, must have their entry confirmed by a parent or guardian before competing.
- 3. Players may not re-qualify onto the Tour via an <u>amateur</u> event which carries a guaranteed Tour place for the following season.
- 4. In the event that places become available should any player not enter an event, places will be filled on an event by event basis using the Q School 2012 order of merit.
- In the event of a player qualifying for the Tour by more than one means he will be deemed to have qualified by reference to the chronological order by which he obtained qualification..
 Seeding will be based on the highest seeded qualification route regardless of chronological order.
- 6. All players nominated via the amateur ranks must be members of their National Governing Body.

^{**}Should any of these players already be eligible to play on the Tour the respective governing body will be invited to nominate the runner up or arrange a play off between the semi finalists if the runner up has also qualified for the Tour.

^{***} For season 2012-13 invitation goes to Canada.