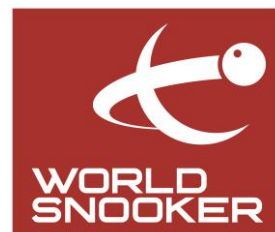


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Dear Player



**ASIAN TOUR 2014/2015
ENTRY PACK FOR HAINING OPEN (AT 2)**

**Closing Date:
Wednesday, 1 October 2014 (12.00 noon)**

This entry pack outlines the event specific information for the **Asian Tour (AT) Event 2**. The Asian Tour will comprise of a maximum of four events which will give players entry into the Players Championship Grand Final scheduled for 24-28 March 2015.

Competing Players

Asian Tour events are open to all 2014/2015 Tour Players and all amateur players. This event will be played in accordance with the WSL Players' Contract. All obligations and penalties will be applicable. Please note it is a breach of the WPBSA members rules and regulations not to compete in an event once you have entered.

Dates/Venue

20-24 October 2014 Haining Sports Center, Haining, China
(approx 2.5 hours drive from Shanghai Pudong Airport)

Entry Fees:

The entry fee is £100 per event (non refundable) payable via the online entry system. No entries will be accepted after the closing date above.

Prize Money

The breakdown is shown below:

	NUMBER	INDIVIDUAL PRIZE		ROUND TOTAL	
		Sterling	RMB	Sterling	RMB
Winner	1	£10,000	100,000	£10,000	100,000
Runner-Up	1	£5,000	50,000	£5,000	50,000
Losing semi-finalist	2	£2,500	25,000	£5,000	50,000
Losing quarter-finalist	4	£1,500	15,000	£6,000	60,000
Last 16	8	£1,000	10,000	£8,000	80,000
Last 32	16	£600	6,000	£9,600	96,000
Last 64	32	£200	2,000	£6,400	64,000
Total prize fund				£50,000	500,000

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

Prize money for all rounds in the Asian Tour events will be paid to you directly by the local promoter at the venue in sterling or RMB. This prize money may be subject to local withholding tax ("WHT"). WHT will be deducted by the local promoter before payment is made and an original WHT certificate for each player will be produced and given to you. This original certificate may be used to reclaim the WHT against your UK tax liabilities. HMRC or your accountant will be able to advise you on this.

Round Structure and Seeding

This event will consist of 128 players and all matches will be the best of 7 frames.

All Main Tour players are eligible to compete in this event as well as CBSA ranked players and amateur players.

Up to 64 players will be seeded according to the Asian Tour Order of Merit after AT1 2014.

If fewer than 64 Main Tour players enter, the remaining seeded spaces will be allocated as follows:

- CBSA Ranking
- Remaining players at random.

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

- All remaining Tour Players
- All remaining CBSA ranked players
- Remaining players
- The respective number of qualifiers from the pre-qualifying tournament (if required).

Prize Money Ranking

All prize money earned by Tour players from the Last 64 round in each Asian Tour event will count towards the Official Prize Money Ranking List.

Asian Tour Order of Merit

A separate one year Asian Tour Prize Money Order of Merit will be in operation for the Asian Tour which is calculated in Sterling. The Order of Merit will be calculated using the GBP Sterling prize money figures. All players who compete in the Asian Tour will appear on the Asian Tour Order of Merit.

The top 8 players on the Asian Tour Order of Merit will qualify for entry into the Players Championship Grand Final (24-28 March 2015). The criteria laid out in the attached Players Championship Qualifying Criteria will determine the final positions on the Asian Tour Order of Merit and who qualifies for the Players Championship Grand Final.

The Players Championship Grand final shall consist of 32 players and will carry a Total prize fund of £350,000 (with a winner's prize of £100,000).

Main Tour qualification for season 2015/2016

The top 4 players (professional or amateur) taken from the Asian Tour Order of Merit, who have not already qualified will be awarded a place on the 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 Main Tour.

Draw and Format

Each Asian Tour draw will be conducted by World Snooker in conjunction with the promoter and emailed to entrants as soon as possible after the closing date of entry and relevant seeding cut off date. We anticipate the draw being available w/c 6 October 2014.

Dress Code

Evening dress, waistcoat and bow tie should be worn whilst playing unless otherwise communicated by WSL.

Logos

Players will be permitted to wear four logos for this event. The World Snooker logo patch has been allocated to the title sponsor for this event leaving three patches to be sold by the players. All logos are subject to prior approval from World Snooker, and must comply with all other regulations within our logo code of conduct. Contact Simon Brownell for the relevant logo application form at simon.brownell@worldsnooker.com or on 0117 317 8216. The deadline for logos to be approved will be 15 October 2014.

Brand exclusivity has been granted for a Title Sponsor and further details regarding any excluded brand category will be sent shortly. Local legislation prohibits the advertising of tobacco or gambling products.

Accommodation

From 18 October and whilst competing in AT2, standard bed and breakfast accommodation based on 2 players sharing will be provided for all Tour players and those amateurs competing in the International Championship final stages at the Haining Pidun Jinjiang Hotel (5-star), No.302 Haining Road, Haizhou District, Haining City (0086 573 87217718).

Single rooms are available upon request but a supplement of RMB 200 (approx £20) will be charged.

Once players are knocked out of AT2, they will be responsible for their own accommodation. (If the person you share room with is still in the tournament, you can stay in that room until that player is knocked out.)

Please contact Nerissa Wang at: 529605235@qq.com and wangyanghui21@hotmail.com to confirm your flight details and hotel requirements by 10 October.

Players competing in the International Championship

Accommodation will be provided for players competing in the International Open from 24 October. Once players have been knocked out of the Haining Open (AT2), they will be responsible for their own accommodation (unless the player who you share a room with is still competing). Further details to follow in player's information pack.

The Promoter will make every effort to assist with your travel arrangements from Haining to Chengdu which will be at your own cost.

Please note if a player chooses an alternative hotel to the one provided by the local promoter all costs and security will be the responsibility of the player concerned.

Flights and Travel

Players are responsible for their own flights. Shanghai Pudong is one of the closest International Airport and connections to Chengdu Airport are available from Shanghai for those players competing in the International Championship. The flight time is approximately 3 hours.

Please provide flight details and accommodation requirements to Nerissa Wang by 10 October 2014.

PR Activities

All players are requested to attend the PR on Sunday, 19 October at 5.00 pm. Place tbc.

Players Contract

All obligations and penalties in relation to Player obligations as per the Players Contract will be applicable, however, for the 2014/15 Season WSL will waive the £250 fine for a first offence under the WSL Players' Contract and replace it with a written warning. For avoidance of doubt the penalty for a second offence will remain at £500.

If you have any questions on the Asian Tour events please contact the Bristol Office. Finally, please remember **closing date: Wednesday, 1 October 2014 (12.00 noon)**.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely



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Head of Operations