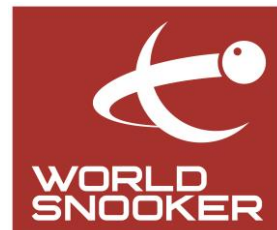


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Dear Player

**ASIAN TOUR 2014/2015
ENTRY PACK FOR XUZHOU OPEN (AT3)**

**Closing Date:
Thursday, 8 January 2015 (12.00 noon)**

This entry pack outlines the event specific information for the **Asian Tour (AT) Event 3**. The Asian Tour will comprise of three events which will give players entry into the Players Championship 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 January 2015 Xuzhou Olympic Center, Xuzhou, China

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 AT2 2014.

If fewer than 64 Main Tour players on the Asian Tour Order of Merit after AT2 enter, then players will be seeded as follows:

- Main Tour players who are not on the Asian Tour Order of Merit in order of Prize Money Rankings after UK Championship 2014
- Amateurs players in order of Asian Tour Order of Merit after AT2
- CBSA players in order of CBSA Rankings (latest)

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 (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 qualifiers for the Players Championship.

The Players Championship 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 by close of play on **Monday 12 January 2015**. Players should assume they will be playing on the first day, 20 January, and to make their travel arrangements accordingly.

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 January 2015**.

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 January and whilst competing in AT3, standard bed and breakfast accommodation based on 2 players sharing will be provided for all Tour players, at the 5* Xiao Nanhu Gloria Resort, Yunlonghu Scenery Spot, Quanshan District, Xuzhou.

Single rooms are available upon request but a supplement of RMB 225 (approx £23) will be charged.

Once players are knocked out of AT3, they will be responsible for their own accommodation costs. (If the person you share a room with is still in the tournament, you can stay in that room until that player is knocked out.) If you require additional nights' accommodation, the full price per room per night is RMB 450 (approx. £47).

Please contact Nerissa Wang at: 529605235@qq.com and wangyanghui21@hotmail.com to confirm your hotel requirements by **14 January 2015**.

Flights and Travel

Players are responsible for their own flight and transfer costs. Please refer to the attached transport information sheet which players may find useful.

Players should assume they will be playing on the first day, 20 January, and to make their travel arrangements accordingly.

PR Activities

All players are requested to attend the PR on Monday, 19 January, details to be confirmed.

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: Thursday 8 January 2015 (12.00 noon)**.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely



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