

PLAYER INFO – Snooker

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General Info

Qualifications: Ranking events are only open to players born or residing in Nova Scotia for at least 60 days. Some form of documentation may be required to confirm the 60-day status, if necessary. Players must purchase a CSNS membership to participate if they do not already have one for the current season.

Player Classification / Player Movement: All players will be classified as Open or AAA prior to the start of the season (see attached list of Open players). If it determined by the Snooker Committee that a player should be bumped up to a higher division during a season, any tournaments played to that point count towards the players' provincial championship qualification.

Open Players:

Bill MacPherson

Bill Martin

Brad Doyle

Brian White

Bruce Lilly

Colin Maloney

Dave Boone

Dave Boudreau

Don Latter

Doug Mattatall

Greg Wilson

Hugh MacEachern

Jacques Cote

Jim Campbell

Kristal MacLeod

Mike Doucette

Moe Sutherland

Pat Brake

Ray Saunders

Rick Leon

Robert Bradley

Roy Thibault

Wayne Warner

Divisional Play: There will be separate ranking events held for **Open** and **AAA** divisions, each with their own point standings.

Match Times: Once matches are announced they will start immediately. If one player has not shown up then the TD should be informed. The time will be noted and the offending player may be put "on the clock" at the discretion of the Tournament Director. All efforts will be used to locate the absent player. The offending player will lose one match for every 10 minutes late until the match is started or forfeited.

Rules: Current IBSF rules of snooker apply.

Fouls: All ball fouls apply.

Miss Rule: the miss rule will only come into effect if it is deemed that a player did not make a legitimate attempt to hit the ball on. If snookers are required then the Miss Rule does not apply. If a player's talent level is deemed below AAA then Open and AAA players should not apply the miss rule to them.

The shot is deemed a miss if:

- a) the cue ball fails to reach the ball on (either directly or from a cushion);
- b) an open ball on is missed entirely.

3 Attempts: after 3 missed attempts the cue ball remains in position and the incoming player has the turn. Shoot again and free ball can come into affect.

Dress Code: Shirts - collared shirt (polo style or dress shirt - tie is optional); Pants - long pants only (clean jeans are acceptable); Footwear - shoes or sneakers (no open toed footwear)

Cell Phones and ear buds: Phones should be on vibrate or silent and are not to be used during play. Ear buds and earphones are prohibited.

Breaks: There will be one five-minute break for both players after 3 frames. If you need a washroom break you must wait until it is your turn at the table to announce it.

Grievances: Any grievances at events should be taken up with the Tournament Director and the Snooker Committee who will have the final say in all matters.

Ranking Tournament Info

Registration: Deadline for registration is 5 pm Friday, the night before the event. Late entries on Friday may or may not be accepted solely at the discretion of the Tournament Director. There will be NO Saturday entries.

Draw: The **Open** and **AAA draw** will take place using the Challenge site once registration is closed. The first 5 matches with start times and table assignments will be posted on the CSNS Facebook page as soon as possible. The links for the Draws will be posted to the CSNS Facebook page when the tournament is started in Challenge.

Seeding: All Open players will be seeded in the Open Ranking, Provincial and Maritime events. AAA tournaments will be drawn randomly. Once the names are put into the Challenge SKO and shuffled the Open players will then be “right clicked” dragged and dropped into the top of the list at random before “Start the tournament” is clicked on. This automatically seeds the open players.

Start Time: The first matches will be scheduled for 10am Saturday unless otherwise indicated by the host club.

Sunday Play: Ranking events are scheduled for one day only, however, Sunday play may become necessary due to extenuating circumstances. Players involved in matches yet to be played may mutually agree to come back to finish the event the next day.

OPEN Ranking Format: All matches will be 3/5 frames, with semi-finals and final being 4/7 frames.

AAA Ranking Format: All matches will be 3/5 frames, up to and including the final.

Entry Fee: \$40.00 for all players (includes \$10 green fee).

Payouts: \$10.00 per person is paid to the club for table time. The rest of the money is then split as follows: 60% goes into the OPEN tournament and 40% goes into the AAA tournament. Payouts will be to top four in each event (1st – 45%, 2nd - 25%, 3rd and 4th – 15% each).

High Run: A High Run prize may be provided if additional sponsorship is found for it. No High Run prize will be deducted from the original entry fee prize pool.

Point System: See approved chart below for point structure. Standings will be updated after each ranking event.

POINT STRUCTURE

1st - 100 points, 2nd – 90, SF – 80, QF – 70, R16 – 60, R32 - 50

Participation – 10

Provincials Info

Venue: The location of the provincial championships will be determined at some point during the season. If no outside venue is secured (such as a mall or casino), then arrangements may be made to play in a club.

Qualifications: No previous participation in ranking events is required to qualify for the provincials, however, a player is required to purchase a CSNS membership if they do not already have one for the current season.

Format: Open Provincials will be a two-day event. Saturday play - all matches 4/7 played down to the semi-finals. Sunday play - 5/9 semi-finals and 6/11 finals. AAA Provincials will be a two-day event. Saturday play - all matches 4/7 played down to the semi-finals. Sunday play - 4/7 semi-finals and 5/9 finals. The Tournament Director may adjust the match length for the tournament if required.

National info

Qualifications: A Player must participate in a minimum of 2 ranking events to qualify for a National Spot.

Spots: CSNS currently has 4 spots to the nationals allocated as follows:

1- 1st on the Open Ranking list

1- Provincial Open Winner

1- Maritime CLOSED, Open division Winner

1- Maritime OPEN, Open division Winner

Allocation of these spots are determined by the snooker committee using the ranking list and the standing's list from the Maritime OPEN and Closed tournaments. If more players are interested in attending the nationals then the committee can contact CBSA to ask for additional spots. CBSA has the right to refuse such a request.

Financial Responsibility

The snooker committee shall will ensure that all players pay for their national spots in a timely manner. The players are responsible for their own entrance fees and travel expenses. If CSNS has funds to allot then it will be issued to each attending player equally. If a player has been awarded funds but does not participate at the National event then they are responsible to return the funds to CSNS for distribution. Failure to return the funds will be dealt with by the Snooker committee and could lead to suspension of play up to 1 season.