

Dates:	4 October 2024* – Open Entry Qualifying rounds 5-6 October 2024 – Final Stages (Last 64)				
	*May be extended to additional prior days in the event of high entries				
Venue:	Snookerhallen, Stockholm, Sweden				
Entry fee:	£75				
	NOTE: UK Q School (32), Asia-Oceania Q School (8) Qualifiers and Junior (8) Qualifiers have already made payment in full for ALL SEVEN Q Tour events and will receive direct entry to the main draws.				
Format:	Straight knock out All matches up to and including last 128 – best of 5 frames All matches from the last 64 - best of 7 frames				
Prize money:		Number	Individual Prize	Round Total	
	Winner	1	£3,000	£3,000	
	Runner-up	1	£1,500	£1,500	
	Semi-finalist	2	£900	£1,800	
	Quarter-finalist	4	£600	£2,400	
	Last 16	8	£300	£2,400	
	Last 32	16	£200	£3,200	
	Total			£14,300	
Players	<ul> <li>1-32 - Top 32 from the 2024 UK Q School Order of Merit (not already qualified for the WST)</li> <li>33-40 - Top 8 from the 2024 Asia-Oceania Q School Order of Merit</li> <li>41-48 - Top 8 players aged under-21 from the 2024 UK Q School Order of Merit, not already qualified through the top 32.</li> <li>No limit on Open Entry qualifying rounds, however we reserve the right to cap entries on a 'first come, first served' basis, should this be required to complete the event in a timely manner. 16 to qualify for the final weekend stages.</li> </ul>				
Criteria:	Players will be allowed to play in both World Snooker Tour and Q Tour Europe events if eligible but only where the dates for these events do not clash. The top ranked eligible player from the final Q Tour Europe Ranking List at the ond of the season will receive a World Snooker Tour eard for the				
	the end of the season will receive a World Snooker Tour card for the 2025/26 and 2026/27 seasons. Three additional World Snooker Tour cards will be won at the WPBSA Q Tour Global Playoff. This will be contested by the winners of each Q Tour Europe event (excluding the number one ranked player), topped up by remaining players in order of ranking to a maximum of 16 and an				

	additional eight players from Q Tour Global regional events. The draw for the Play-Off will be seeded.			
Seeding	Open Entry Qualifying Rounds – All players randomly drawn.			
Structure:	Final starsa, Last 64			
	<u>Final stages – Last 64</u>			
	Seeds 1-32 (based upon UK Q School Order of Merit position, Asia-			
	Oceania position and Junior positions in that order) – Drawn at random in top 32 positions			
	All other players randomly drawn			
Enter online:	ALL ENTRIES ARE TO BE MADE THROUGH WPBSA			
	SNOOKERSCORES: <u>HTTPS://SNOOKERSCORES.NET/</u>			
	YOU MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH YOUR NATIONAL FEDERATION TO ENTER THIS EVENT.			
	UK Q School Order of Merit invited players			
	The 48 qualified players have already entered all seven tournaments and			
	will be automatically added to the main draw of each competition. They do NOT have to enter the individual tournaments.			
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	PLAYERS ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER IN ALL SEVEN Q TOUR EVENTS AND ARE EXPECTED TO COMPETE IN ALL EVENTS.			
	Should you be unable to compete in one of the seven events, please			
	inform us as soon as possible via info@wpbsa.com			
	Open Entry Qualifying Rounds - Player Entry			
	1. Register an account at WPBSA SnookerScores or log in to your			
	existing account.			
	<ol> <li>Click the following link: <u>https://snookerscores.net/tournament-manager/202425-q-tour-event-three</u> and follow the on-screen</li> </ol>			
	instructions.			
	3. Make payment of your entry fee from your <u>'My Payments'</u> tab.			
	Your entry will only be formally accepted upon receipt of your online entry			
	AND payment of your entry fee by the event entry deadline.			
Additional:	Player logos to sell: 3 WPBSA Logos: 1			
	Brand exclusion: N/A – subject to change			

## WPBSA Q TOUR STANDARD CONDITIONS OF ENTRY 1.3

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All WPBSA Q Tour Europe events are subject to the following Standard Conditions of Entry which are subject to change at the discretion of the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association ('WPBSA'). It is a breach of the WPBSA Members' Rules & Regulations not to compete to the conclusion of an event once you have entered. Please be reminded that all players are responsible for keeping the WPBSA up to date with their current email address.

## WPBSA Members Rules and Disciplinary Rules

All Players: From the date of entry to any WPBSA Q Tour event until 28 days after the conclusion of the event all players entering Q Tour events are bound by the <u>WPBSA Conduct</u> <u>Regulations</u>.

The General Obligations under the Members Rules can be found here: https://wpbsa.com/governance/members-rules/

## Please ensure that you have read and understand the terms and conditions of entry, rules and regulations of the WPBSA.

**Entry Criteria:** The preliminary rounds (i.e. pre-Last 64) of WPBSA Q Tour events (excluding the final play-off event) are open to all players in good standing with their National Federation. The WPBSA may impose a maximum number of open entries to each event and the WPBSA's decision shall be final. Entries will be received on a first come, first served basis.

The Top 32 ranked players on the 2024 UK Q School Order of Merit, not qualified for the WST, are invited to compete on the 2024/25 Q Tour Europe. The top 32 will be invited as seeded players. Should a qualified player not accept their place, it will be offered to the 33<sup>rd</sup> player and so on until 32 places have been accepted.

An additional 8 junior players will be selected by the WPBSA from the Q School Order of Merit to compete from the Last 64 stage of Q Tour events. These players must be aged 20 or younger as of 21 May 2024 i.e. start of Q School 2024.

Finally, 8 players will be selected by the WPBSA from the Asia-Oceania Q School Order of Merit to compete from the Last 64 stage of Q Tour events.

These players are invited at the sole discretion of the WPBSA and the decision of the WPBSA is final. Each of the Top 32 Q School qualifiers, 8 Junior qualifiers and 8 Asia-Oceania qualifiers must pay their entry fee in full for ALL of the seven events at the start of the season. They will begin at the Last 64 stage of each event.

When a player purchases membership for Q Tour Europe through <u>https://snookerscores.net/</u> this does not relate to WPBSA Membership and solely relates to Q Tour entry.

**Entry fees:** Non-refundable (players have the right to appeal), & payable via the online entry system. No entries will be accepted after the closing date save for where players have qualified for an event after the closing date when at the point of closing, they had not qualified for that event.

**Prize Money:** Prize money for each event is defined on the Event Entry Form. The sterling equivalent amount of prize money will be paid by the WPBSA. It is the Players sole responsibility to ensure the WPBSA has a completed up to date bank nomination form at all times.

**Maximum Break Prize** – There will be no maximum break prize other than individual event prizes where announced within the entry pack for an event.

**Rankings:** Players will receive ranking points as outlined in the Prize Money Schedule within each event entry pack. Players on equal prize money will be ranked based on the best performance (stage/round reached through winning a match) working backwards from the most recent Q Tour event.

**WST qualification for season 2025/2026:** The top ranked player on the WPBSA Q Tour Europe Ranking List will receive a two-year WST card from the start of the 2025/26 season. Three additional tour cards will be won at the WPBSA Q Tour Global Playoff event. This 24-player seeded event will be contested by a minimum 16 players from the Q Tour Europe and up to eight players from Q Tour Global regional events.

**PR Activities:** Players may be required to attend PR Activities for an event scheduled for the day before play starts of that event.

**Draw & Format:** Draw & Format: Each event draw will be conducted by the WPBSA as soon as possible after the closing date of entry for each event.

**Withdrawals:** Withdrawals after the Proposed Cut-Off Point, which will be close of play (17:00 BST) on the penultimate business day prior to the start of an event (first day of qualifying), will result in the player being referred to the WPBSA disciplinary process. These new rules for withdrawal are summarised below:

Withdrawal after the closing date, but before the draw has been performed, will result in no referral to the WPBSA disciplinary process. Any Q School Invited player, i.e. the first 32 players, 8 invited junior players or 8 Asia-Oceania players from the 2024 Q School Order of Merit who have entered all seven events, will be replaced in the draw by the next highest eligible player entered in the event, based upon their Q School position.

Withdrawal after the draw has been performed, but before close of play (17:00 BST) on the penultimate business day prior to the first day of qualifying (Proposed Cut-Off Point), will result in a referral to the WPBSA disciplinary process. In these circumstances, whether that player is a seed or open entry, players will not be replaced in the draw.

**Dress Code**: Long sleeved shirt, waistcoat & bow tie with tailored trousers & shoes should be worn unless otherwise stated in the Event Entry Pack. A guide for professional players can be found here. Subject to the Tournament Director's discretion, the appropriate sanction for a breach of dress code will be removal from the tournament without refund of the entry fee.

**Dress code around the event:** All players must wear acceptable clothing at all times i.e. trousers & shirt of a reasonable standard; smart jeans (no rips) and polo shirts are permitted. Track suits and football shirts are not allowed.

**Social Media Guidelines:** Players are to be aware of the <u>WPBSA Social Media Guidelines</u>. Please note that a breach of the WPBSA social media guidelines is likely to be referred to the WPBSA disciplinary process. **Logos:** All logos are subject to approval from WPBSA and must comply with all regulations within the <u>WPBSA Logo Code of Practice</u>. All logos are subject to Tournament Director approval.

The WPBSA retains the right to one Player logo per Player per event.

Flights & accommodation: These costs will be the responsibility of the Player.

**Cancellation:** If a tournament is cancelled entry fees will be refunded for that individual event.

**Non-attendance:** In the event that you cannot appear at a tournament that you have entered you must inform the WPBSA (either the Tournament Director or <u>info@wpbsa.com</u>) as soon as possible as this will impact upon the draw. If you do not inform us you this will be considered a breach of the Event Conditions and MAY be subject to the WPBSA Disciplinary process.

**Photo/Video Consent:** There are likely to be photographs and videos taken at WPBSA Q Tour events. The WPBSA may use such images for promotional material both at the current and future events and promotions across a number of media platforms.

**Data Use: The** WPBSA will use the information you provide on your event entry to contact you and provide updates e.g. email newsletters. You can unsubscribe at any time. View our Privacy Policy online at <u>www.wpbsa.com</u>.