INTERNATIONAL BILLIARDS & SNOOKER FEDERATION



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World Men, Women & Masters Snooker and English Billiards Championships Doha - Qatar 5th to 24th November 2023

<u>Men's Snooker, Teams, and 6 Reds Championships: 5th to 15th November</u> <u>Women, Masters Snooker & English Billiards Championships: 16th to 24th November</u>

Dear IBSF Members,

Date: 29th August 2023

On behalf of the IBSF Executive and the Qatar Billiards and Snooker Federation QBSF, I have the pleasure of inviting you to send your players to participate in the 2023 World Snooker (Women, Men & Masters) and English Billiards Championships.

Each country is allowed to send, 2 players for Men Snooker and Men 6 reds, one team for Men teams snooker, and 4 players for each Championship (Snooker Women, Masters and English Billiards).

IBSF will invite the last 4 players of previous IBSF championship as extra players in each Championship.

The host country is allowed to enter a minimum of 1 player in each group plus additional players to balance the number of players in the groups.

Please enter your players' names and details into the IBSF website using the password emailed to you. Please note that your player picture should not be less than 300 dpi.

The closing date for entries is 1st October 2023.

The entry fee will be US\$ 100.00 per player and US\$ 200.00 per team for team event, and must be paid to the IBSF Treasurer before the start of the Championships.

Countries that have not paid the <u>IBSF annual membership for 2023</u> will not be allowed to use the online system to enter their players.

Members with outstanding fees who wish to register players are requested to send a letter of commitment that they will pay the membership fees prior to the start of the competition. We will then open the online entry system for them. However, their players will only be able to play if the said fees are paid to IBSF before the start of the competitions.

Member countries are requested to pay <u>any outstanding membership fees</u> at the event. These fees will then be reflected in the financial report presented at the AGM.

Referees

16 International Referees from outside Qatar are invited to participate. The number of referees allocated for each IBSF Region is as follows: Africa 1, America: 1, Asia: 7, Europe: 6, Oceania: 1.

Nominations of referees must be sent to the regional referee associations before 21st of September 2023. International referees will receive a subsidy of US\$ 400 from the IBSF (Air ticket support).

Calendar of Events:

- <u>Referees and players'</u> meetings for the Men's Snooker Championships will take place at the Venue on Saturday the 4th of November at 18:00 followed by the Welcome ceremony at 19:00.
- Matches of the Men's Snooker Championship will start at 10:00 on the 5th of November.
- The finals of the Men's Snooker Championship will be on 10th November.







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- The finals of the Men's Teams Championship will be on 12th November.
- The finals of the Men's 6 Reds Championship will be on 15th November.
- <u>Referees and players'</u> meetings for Masters, Women Snooker, and English Billiards
- Championships will take place at the Venue on Saturday the 15th of November at 18:00.
- Matches of Masters, Women Snooker, and Long-up Billiards will start at 10.00 on the 16th November.
- Matches of Masters Teams, Women 6 Reds, 150-up Billiards will start at 10.00 on the 21st November
- The finals of the Masters, Women Snooker, and Long-up Billiards will be on the 20th November.
- The finals of the Masters Teams, Women 6 Reds, and 150-up Billiards will be on the 24th November.

The **2023 IBSF AGM** will be held in the Hotel on the 22nd of November. Please note that: Full details regarding the AGM will be sent in a separate letter.

Tournament information

Host Association : Qatar Billiards & Snooker Federation QBSF

Host city : Doha

Dates : 5th November to 24th November 2023

HOST ASSOCIATION CONTACTS

QBSF President : Mr. Mohamed Al-Ramzani e-mail: <u>gbsf@msy.gov.qa</u> Mobile Phone +974 5580 8880

Secretary : Mohamed Salem Al-Nuaimi e-mail: <u>gbsf@msy.gov.ga</u> Mobile Phone +974 5556 6227

Name & Address of the Association :

Qatar Billiards & Snooker Federation Rawdat Alkhail street, Doha - Qatar Phone : +974 4437 2677. Website: www.gbsf.ga

ACCOMMODATION

Please note that: All hotel reservations must be done through the Qatar Billiards and Snooker Federation ONLY by entering your accommodation requirements on the IBSF online entry system. All players, referees, officials, and supporters must stay at the hotel hosting the tournament. No entry is allowed onto the premises of the hotel including the venue except to the residents. Name of Championship Hotel : La Maison Hotel Email Address : info@lamaisondoha.com

Address Website address : info@lamaisondoha.com : Bin Mahmoud Area, Al Jazeera Street, Doha, Qatar : <u>https://lamaisondoha.com./</u>

HOTEL RATES

Room rates per night include taxes and breakfast with 2 pcs of laundry free of charge:Single room:Qatari Riyal 260.Double/Twin room:Qatari Riyal 300.







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VENUE INFORMATION

| Venue address | : La Maison Hotel |
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| Number of match tables | : 10 |
| Make of tables | : Rasson |
| Cloth | : Strachan Super Fine. |
| Balls | : Aramith 1G |
| Scoring system | : IBSF Electronic Scoring System. |
| Air Conditioning | : Yes |
| Type of floor covering | : Carpet - Seating/number of spectators: 100 |

TRAVEL & TRANSPORT

Name of nearest international airport: Hamad International Airport.

Transfers Airport/Hotel/Airport: 20-30 Minutes – Cost: 15\$ per person for one direction.

All participants will be greeted by the QBSF representatives upon arrival subject to arrival information being forwarded in advance.

PRIZE MONEY

Minimum Prize for the Championships:

- Men Snooker USD 10,000, Men 6 Reds USD 7,200, Men Teams USD 5,000.
- Women Snooker USD 3,600, Women 6 Reds USD 2,400.
- Masters Snooker USD 5,000, Masters Teams 3,200.
- English Billiards Long-up USD 3,200, 150-up USD 3,200.

Prize money breakdown

For all Championships Prize fund is based on entry fees and is as follows:

Winner 40% + Trophy + Gold Medal Runner-up 20% + Silver Medal Semi-Finalists 10% x 2 = 20% + Bronze Medals

Quarter Finalists 5% x 4 = 20%

VISAS

Visas will be issued to most participants on arrival please check with Qatar Embassy in your country. For a visa invitation letter please contact QBSF Email: gbsf@msy.gov.qa

Drug Testing:

Players may be subjected to Drug Testing in accordance with the WCBS Drugs in Sport Policy.

Currency

Local currency is 1 USD = 3.6 – 3.65 QR

The closing date for entries will be the 1st of October 2023

General Secretary



Michael Alkhoury



