



# NATIONAL UNDER 25 XIN HUA 9 BALL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS 2019

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## RULES & REGULATIONS

### ENTRIES

1. The tournament is open only to Citizens and Permanent Residents of Singapore.
2. Participants must submit their entries on official entry forms not later than **Tuesday, 30 July, 23:59 hour for National Under 25 Xin Hua 9 Ball Champion of Champions 2019.**
3. You need to provide your name **as per NRIC** in your entry form as Cuesports Singapore will issue cheque for prize winners with name according to entry form.
4. Participants must pay a non-refundable entry fee upon submission of entry form online. If the entry fees are not received by the draw date, the entry form will **not be accepted** and the participant is deemed to have opted out of the tournament.
5. Entry fees for tournament will be \$18 per person. Table punch by players at \$10 per hour.
6. Entries are accepted subject to the condition that the participant shall, if nominated by Cuesports Singapore, represent the Republic of Singapore in any event held within 12 months upon the completion of the tournament.

### GAME RULES

7. The tournament will be played under the latest Standardized Rules of the World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA).

### TOURNAMENT VENUE

The tournament will be played at **Cuesports Singapore Academy.**

865 Mountbatten Road  
Katong Shopping Centre, #01-46, Singapore 437844

## SCHEDULE

8. The schedule is as follow:

<b>Closing Date for Entries</b>	30 July (Tuesday) @ 2359
<b>Name list Published</b>	31 July 2019 (Wednesday)
<b>Draw Date</b>	1 August 2019 (Thursday)
<b>Draw Published</b>	2 August 2019 (Friday)
<b>Tournament Start Date</b>	5 August 2019 (Monday)

9. Starting from 2 August at 11pm, participants may refer to the notice board at the tournament venue. Participants may also view the fixtures on the Cuesports Singapore's official website ([www.cuesports.org.sg](http://www.cuesports.org.sg)) or Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/CuesportsSingapore](http://www.facebook.com/CuesportsSingapore)).

## FORMAT & MATCH SCHEDULE

The tournament will be played:

### Qualifying Rounds

- Double Elimination (Minimum of 8 players per group)
- Winner Bracket (Race to 7, alternate break/ Race to 5 for ladies)
- Loser Bracket (Race to 6, alternate break/ Race to 4 for ladies)
- 2 qualifiers per group

### Knockout Stages

- Single Elimination
- Race to 8, alternate Break
- Race to 6 for ladies

10. Should there be less than 64 entries by the closing date, Cuesports Singapore reserves the right to cancel the tournament for the category and/or to change the prize money accordingly.

## TOURNAMENT SEEDING

11. The seeding for the tournament shall be based on the National U25 Pool Ranking List on the Cuesports website. The top 16 ranked players for U25 Pool Ranking shall be seeded for the tournament.
12. If one or more ranked players do not participate in the tournament, the Tournament Committee shall at its discretion select players based on the merits of their tournaments in previous local and

overseas tournaments and seed them accordingly.

13. Seeded players will play in the tournament from the last-32 stage onwards, where they will join the 16 unseeded players who have progressed to that stage of the tournament.

#### **AUTHORITY**

14. All enquires or disputes will be referred to the Chief Referee during the tournament running and his decision shall be final.
15. All disciplinary matters shall be referred to the Cuesports Singapore Disciplinary Sub-Committee, whose decision shall be final on all matters arising.
16. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to amend and/or add rules to the above set of rules and regulations with prior notification to the participants as and when it deems necessary. Any matter not covered by the above set of rules and regulations shall be decided upon by the Tournament Committee whose decision shall be final in such matters.

#### **DRESS CODE**

17. Polo-Tee, Jeans with covered shoes.
18. Players will have to put on any sponsor badges/stickers while playing in the tournament when told to do so by the organisers. Please note that any competitive sponsors' brands or insignias are **Not Allowed** to be worn at any stage throughout the tournament.
19. Players who are not properly attired during their 1<sup>st</sup> match will be issued a warning and a dress code penalty of 1 rack (penalty can apply for shirt, pants or shoes violation). From their 2<sup>nd</sup> match onwards, players who are not properly attired will be barred from playing, resulting in a direct walkover.

#### **MATCH PROCEDURES**

20. No delays or postponement of matches will be allowed unless deemed necessary by the Tournament Committee.
21. All players must report to the Tournament Chief Referee upon arrival with his/her identity card and take note of the match table.
22. A player not present by the commencement of his/her match will concede one (1) rack to his opponent. If the player is not present by the 5th minute, he/she will concede a total of two (2) racks to his opponent. If the player is still not present by the 10th minute, the match official will record a walkover and award the match to the opponent. The clock at the tournament venue shall serve as the official tournament clock.
23. Players conceding walkovers must give a written explanation within 3 days of their match to the

Tournament Committee; players who fail to do so or players who are deemed by the Tournament Committee to have an invalid excuse will be barred from taking part in any future tournaments organized by Cuesports Singapore for a stipulated period.

24. Each player will only be allowed to call one (1) time-out which must be in between racks and lasting not more than seven (7) minutes. Should the player exceed the time allowed, a rack will be conceded to his/her opponent. However, players may request for toilet breaks which may be allowed at the sole discretion of the referee. The toilet break must not be used for other purposes such as smoking or communicating with any person. Any players found doing so may be disqualified.
25. Players are not allowed to smoke in the tournament venue or in the surrounding vicinity and are not allowed to place any cigarettes or lighters in the player's seating area.
26. Players are not allowed to use their hand phones in the tournament venue and are also required to switch their mobile phones or pagers to silent mode. No food is allowed in competition area.
27. Players must be at their best behavior whilst in the tournament venue and must not say or do anything that may discredit the tournament, the sponsors, Cuesports Singapore and/or bring the sport into disrepute.

### **PRIZES**

28. The estimated prize money is as followed. The exact confirmed prize money will be announced on a later date.

<b>CHAMPION</b>	<b>\$600 + Trophy</b>
<b>RUNNER-UP</b>	<b>\$300 + Trophy</b>
<b>SEMI-FINALIST</b>	<b>\$150 + Trophy</b>

*\*The exact prize money will be subjected to changes depending on the total entries and extra sponsorships*

29. All prize winners must be present at the prize presentation ceremony, failing which their prize money might be forfeited, unless a valid reason is given 24 hours in advance. In addition, he/she must send a representative with an authorisation letter to receive the prize on his/her behalf.

### **TOURNAMENT REPORTING PROCEDURE**

30. All players must adhere to the following procedures:

30 mins before      All players to report to the Chief Referee for verification

15 mins before Warm-up of 5 minutes per player

5 mins before Conduct of lag to determine break

Scheduled time Commencement of match

For 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and/or 4<sup>th</sup> session matches. Warm up is subjected to the time allowance after the end of the previous match and also reporting time of player.

31. Ranking points will only be given to Singaporeans & Permanent Residents with the breakdown as follows:

CHAMPION	70 POINTS
RUNNER-UP	50 POINTS
SEMI-FINALIST	40 POINTS
QUARTER FINALIST	30 POINTS
PRE-QUARTER FINALIST	20 POINTS
17 <sup>TH</sup> TO 32 <sup>ND</sup> POSITION	10 POINTS
33 <sup>RD</sup> TO 48 <sup>TH</sup> POSITION	5 POINTS
49 <sup>TH</sup> TO 64 <sup>TH</sup> POSITION	3 POINTS

32. Players are advised to report 30 mins before your match time. If there are tables available and both competitors have reported to the Chief Referee, the match may commence before the scheduled time.

Organiser:



Main Sponsor:

