

ARC 9 BALL OPEN RANKING 2023

(National Pool Event Sanctioned by Cuesports Singapore)

RULES & REGULATIONS

ENTRIES

1. The tournament is open only to Citizens and Permanent Resident of Singapore.
2. Participants must submit their entries online or at ARC not later than **04 April 2023**
3. Participants have to provide **their name and first and last 4 digits as per NRIC** in the entry.
4. Entry fees for tournaments will be \$30 per person. Table punch by players at \$10 per hour.
5. Seeded players will be split into different groups to play from the preliminary round.
6. Ranking points are awarded according to Cuesports Singapore Ranking system.
7. SPR are not eligible for training in the National squads or events held for squad players, or for selection to represent Singapore, regardless of their tournament results.

GAME RULES

The tournament will be played under the latest Standardised Rules of the World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA) with adjustment to the break.

- Break Box – Players are to break from Break Box with the 9-ball placed on the spot and 1-ball at the apex of the rack.
- The other balls shall be racked without purposeful or intentional pattern.
- On the break at least four object balls must be driven to one or more rails, or the shot is a foul.
- When 1-1 referee are deployed, players are allowed up to 2 checks and request for one re-rack or adjustment to the rack.
- When 1-1 referee are deployed, after the breaking of rack, should 2 or more balls remain on top of the magic rack, preventing it to be removed, at the discretion the referee, the game may continue without having the magic rack removed.

TOURNAMENT VENUE

8. The tournament will be played at ARC address: 1 Maritime Square, #04-02, Singapore 099253

SCHEDULE

9. The schedule for the tournament is as follows:

Closing Date for Entries	04 April 2023
Name Post	06 April 2023
Draw Date	10 April @ Afternoon at Cuesports Sg Academy
Draw Post Date	11 April 2023
Tournament date	15 and 16 April 2023

10. Starting from 11 April 2023 participants may refer to the notice board at the tournament venue. Participants may also view the fixtures on the ARC Facebook , Cuesports Singapore's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/CuesportsSingapore).
11. The onus is on the participants to check their matches/fixtures on the notice board available at the tournament venue. Alternatively, participants may refer to ARC Facebook, Cuesports Singapore's official Facebook page, Cuesports Singapore.

FORMAT

12. The tournament will be played on a Double elimination format, alternate break as follows:

Qualifying Rounds

- Double Elimination (4 players per group)
- Race to 7 (Winners' Bracket, alternate break)
- Race to 6 (Losers' Bracket, alternate break)
- The winners' bracket finalists advance to the Last 32 stage. Finalists in the losers' bracket play additional games to fill the remaining slots in the Last 32 stage.

Knockout Stages

- Single Elimination
- Last 32 to Quarter Finals race to 9, alternate break
- Semi and Finals race to 11, alternate break

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

a) Open category – 128 slot maximum

DRESS CODE

14. Polo t- shirt, jeans/long pants and covered shoes. (Torn jeans not allowed)

15. 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.

16. 1st offence - Players who are not properly attired during the match will be issued a warning (penalty can apply for shirt, pants or shoes violation).

2nd offence - Players who are not properly attired will be issued a dress code penalty of 1 rack (penalty can apply for shirt, pants or shoes violation).

Exception – Players who commit their 1st offence playing another match on the same day will be counted under the same offence.

Note – Blatant disregard of dress code rules will be given 1 rack down for the 1st offence and disqualified for the 2nd offence.

MATCH PROCEDURES

17. No delays or postponement of matches will be allowed unless deemed necessary by the Tournament Organizer. All players must report to the Tournament Organizer upon arrival with his/her identity card and take note of the match table.

18. A player not presented by the 5th minute upon the commencement of his/her match will concede one (1) rack to his opponent. If the player is not present by the 15th 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.

19. Each player will only be allowed to call one (1) time-out which must be in between racks and last 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 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.

MATCH SAFETY MEASURES**TOURNAMENT REPORTING PROCEDURE**

20. 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 2nd to 4th session matches. Warm up is subject to the time allowance after the end of the previous match and reporting time of player.

21. 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.

45 SECONDS SHOT CLOCK and SLOW PLAY

22. (i) Shot Clock will be implemented in the presence of 1 to 1 referee. Players will be given 45 seconds to complete each shot. At the 35-second mark, the referee shall call time and the player will then have 10 seconds remaining to complete the shot. A foul shall be called against the player who fails to play the shot at the 45-second mark. Players are allowed a maximum of 1 extension of additional 45 seconds for the shot per rack.

(ii) In the case of deliberate slow play, the Overseeing Referee/Chief Referee will declare if deemed so and will warn the player of the slow play if the decision is made. Should the player continue his/ her slow play, 1 rack will be awarded to the opponent. Subsequently should the player not heed the warnings and penalty given, the match will be awarded to the opponent.

Other Conditions

23. 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.

24. Players are not allowed to use their mobile phones in the tournament venue and are also required to switch their mobile phones to silent mode.

25. Players must be at their best behaviour 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.

MATCH SAFETY MEASURES

26. Participants not feeling well are not allowed into the venue.

27. Sanitizing of hands are placed at the counter for all participants, referees and staff.

28. Participants are not allowed to share personal equipment

29. Participants are advised to minimize physical contact eg. Handshake

PRIZES

30. The estimated prize money distributions are as follows. The exact confirmed prize money will be announced on a later date.

	OPEN
CHAMPION	\$1000 + Trophy
RUNNER-UP	\$500 + Trophy
SEMI-FINALIST	\$500(\$250x2)

**The amount of the prize, in addition to the base prize, may vary depending on the number of additional entries and extra sponsorships*

31. Semi Finalists and above are required to be present at the prize presentation ceremony.

AUTHORITY

32. All enquiries or disputes will be referred to the Chief Referee or Tournament Organizer during the tournament running and their decision will be final.
33. The Tournament Organizer 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 Organizer whose decision shall be final in such matters.
34. All organisers and participants shall comply with and abide by the 2021 World Anti-Doping Code as may be revised from time to time by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and to comply with the Olympic Move.

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