



## 3<sup>rd</sup> National U28 Snooker Ranking 2023/24

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### RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### ENTRIES

1. The tournament is open only to Citizens and Permanent Resident of Singapore who are born after 31<sup>st</sup> December 1995.
2. Participants must submit their entries on official entry forms not later than **9<sup>th</sup> (Saturday), 22:00 hour for National U28 Snooker Ranking 2023/24.**
3. Participants **must pay** a non-refundable entry fee **upon submission** of entry forms. Participants are **required** to make payment for the entry fee **before the draw date** of the tournament. Participants who do not pay the entry fee **will not be included in the players' list and will not be drawn** for the event.
4. Participants need to **provide his/her name as per NRIC and last 3 digits of NRIC No. with Alphabet** in the entry form.
5. Verification of age is provided by participants upon request. (eg: identical card/ student pass or any document with photo and date of birth)
6. For Clubs, the undertaking letter must be sent to Cuesports Office by the closing date of the tournament.
7. **Entry fee for this tournament is \$22 per person. No table punch.**
8. 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.
9. Cuesports Singapore may at its sole discretion waive compliance with the condition laid out in paragraph 9 if furnished with valid reasons in writing by the participant(s).
10. 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

11. The tournament will be played by the rules laid under World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association. In the absence of a referee officiating the match, the "foul and a miss" rule will applied up to a maximum of 2 times. Beyond that, the incoming player shall

play from the final rest position of the balls or ask his/her opponent to play the shot. Once point difference is more than the points remaining on table, foul and a miss rule shall no longer apply.

12. For matches presided over by a referee, the referee has the right to apply the “foul and a miss” rule based on his/her discretion. In such a case, there will not be a limit to the number of times in which the rule may be applied.

## TOURNAMENT VENUE

13. This tournament shall be played at Cuesports Singapore Academy located at 865 Mountbatten Road, Katong Shopping Centre, #01-46, Singapore 437844.

## SCHEDULE

The schedule is as follow:

<b>Closing Date for Entries</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 @ 10pm
<b>Name list Published</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
<b>Draw Date</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
<b>Draw Published</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
<b>Tournament Start Date</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> March 2024

14. Starting from **17<sup>th</sup> March 2024** participants may refer to the notice board at the tournament venue. Participants may also view the fixtures on the Cuesports Singapore’s official Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/CuesportsSingapore](http://www.facebook.com/CuesportsSingapore)).

15. The onus is on the participants to check their match/fixtures on the notice board available at the tournament venue. Alternatively, participants may refer to Cuesports Singapore official Facebook page, Cuesports Singapore.

16. The Tournament Committee will serve no reminder with regards to the fixtures to participants.

## FORMAT

17. The tournament shall be played in a straight knock-out format. Matches will be decided in the following manner:

Preliminary Rounds to Semi Finals

- Single Elimination
- Best of 5 Frames

Final

- Single Elimination
- Best of 7 Frames

18. This tournament is limited to 32 entries. Cuesports Singapore reserves the right to postpone or cancel the tournament if there are less than 16 entries.

### **TOURNAMENT SEEDING (MEN)**

19. The top 16 ranked players are not allowed to participate in this tournament.

### **AUTHORITY**

20. All enquiries or disputes will be referred to the Referee or Chief Referee during the tournament running and his decision will be final.
21. All disciplinary matters shall be referred to the Cuesports Singapore Disciplinary Sub-Committee, whose decision shall be final on all matters arising.

### **DRESS CODE**

22. Shirt: Long sleeve, plain coloured and buttoned at the cuff. Business formal pants. Single coloured socks and business shoes.
23. Bow tie and vest shall be worn from Semi Finals onwards.
24. 1<sup>st</sup> offence - Players who are not properly attired during the match will be issued a warning (penalty can apply for shirt, pants or shoes violation).

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

Exception – Players who commit their 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> offence and disqualify for the 2<sup>nd</sup> offence.

### **TOURNAMENT REPORTING PROCEDURE**

25. 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

Scheduled time      Commencement of match

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

### **MATCH PROCEDURES**

26. No delays or postponement of matches will be allowed unless deemed necessary by the Tournament Committee.

27. All players must report to the Tournament Director or the Chief Referee **upon arrival** with his/her identity card (or any document with photo) and take note of the match table.
28. A player not presented by the **timing of his/her match stated on the draw** will concede one (1) Frame to his opponent (Inclusive of Dress Code Penalty). **If the player is not present by the 10th minute of the commencement of his/her match**, 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.
29. Participants who fail to turn up for their matches must email to The Organizer the reason for his/her absent.
30. Participants are not allowed to use their mobile phones in the Tournament Venue; all other electronic devices are required to be switched to silent mode. No food is allowed in the competition area.
31. 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.
32. Each player will only be allowed to call one (1) time-out. The time out shall be called in between frames and is limited to seven (7) minutes. Should the player exceed the 7 min allowed, a frame will be conceded to his/her opponent, two frames at the 14<sup>th</sup> min and so on. However, players may request for toilet break; this may be allowed at the sole discretion of the referee. The toilet break may not be used for other purposes such as smoking or communicating with any person. Players found infringing the above rules will be disqualified immediately.
33. Shot Clock (**can be implemented by referee in the event of intentional slow play**). Players will be given 60 seconds to complete each shot. At the 50-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 60<sup>th</sup> second and the incoming player shall play from where the cue ball is. Players are allowed a maximum of 3 extensions of additional 60 seconds for the shot in each frame in this format.
34. Players must be at their best behavior whilst in the Tournament Venue. They shall not say or do anything which may discredit the tournament, the sponsors, Cuesports Singapore and/or bring the sport into disrepute.

## **MATCH SAFETY MEASURES**

35. Participants who are sick are not recommended to attend the tournament. In the case if a participant who is not feeling well plays a match, he/she is to put on a mask during the tournament.
36. Participants are encouraged to always maintain good hygiene.

## **PRIZE**

37. The estimated prize money distribution is as shown below. The exact confirmed prize money will be announced at the start of the tournament:

CHAMPION	\$500 plus trophy
RUNNER-UP	\$200 plus trophy
SEMI-FINALIST	\$100 x 2

38. Semi Finalists and above are required to 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 shall send a representative to receive the prize on his/her behalf.
39. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to amend the above rules and regulations without prior notification to the participants, as and when deemed necessary. Any matters not covered by the above rules and regulations shall be decided upon by the Tournament Committee, whose decision shall be final.

Organized By:

