YORKSHIRE BILLIARDS & SNOOKER ASSOCIATION



2020 Snooker Championships - RULES

- 1. All contestants taking part in YBSA Leagues and Competitions must not be a Main Tour Professional and must be a member of, or live in, a district which is an affiliated member of the YBSA. If not, then individuals can affiliate as an individual member for £5 to enable them to play in competitions, on the proviso they live within the Yorkshire District. Proof may be required. Failure to abide by any part or parts of these conditions will result in immediate disqualification.
- 2. All games must be played on a standard table, using balls which conform to current specifications, and under the rules published by the World Professional Billiards & Snooker Association.
- 3. Two qualifying dates will be provided for players to have a choice of one or the other, but not both. Qualifiers from these two events will compete in the latter stages at a later date, all as indicated on the entry form. Players must choose one of the qualifying dates and have the right to change their preferred date up to the draw being made. It is vital all players are clear on which date they wish to play as no alterations can be made after the draw has been made. All dates are stated on the entry form and it is expected that players take note of these when entering.
- 4. Entries must be made to the YBSA Secretary by the deadline indicated on the entry form and all fees MUST be paid as indicated on that form, again by the deadline date. It is a condition of entry when the draw is made that both an official entry and payment has been received on time
- 5. A Tournament Director will be appointed by the Yorkshire Committee prior to the event taking place and Referees will be arranged for the events.
- 6. The draws for the qualifying dates will be made and sent out prior to the events, with details of start times, Tournament Director, and number of qualifiers from each event. These will also be put up on the Association website www.ybsa.co.uk
- 7. Matches in the qualifiers will be the best of 5 frames, with Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Final the best of 7 frames. Qualifiers will be redrawn for the Quarter Finals with no further draw after
- 8. Lateness to all organised matches will be penalised as follows:
 - If not present at the start time one frame shall be forfeited.
 - 15 minutes after the start time, a further frame shall be forfeited.
 - 30 minutes after the start time, the match shall be forfeited.
- 9. A strict Dress Code will apply to the Yorkshire Snooker Championships and is expected players should wear shoes, trousers, collared shirt/polo shirt. Jumpers are acceptable as long as there is a collar, or a shirt/polo shirt is worn underneath. At no time will Jeans, t-shirts, trainers, tracksuits, etc be acceptable. Acceptability of dress will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director or Head Referee present and if considered unsuitable the player may be disqualified. Dress code for the final will be shoes, trousers, waistcoat and bow tie, this will be confirmed to the finalists by the Tournament Director following the semi finals
- 10. The Association shall reserve the right to refuse an entry and if deemed under the influence of drugs will be disqualified from the competition.
- 11. Entries shall be regarded as acceptance of these rules and conditions, and in the event of any dispute arising, or any other matter THE DECISION OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE FINAL.