

PLAYER GUIDE

2021 World 10-Ball





This document is the main source of information to the players for the World 10-Ball Championships held in the Rio All-Suites Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas from September 6-10, 2021.

WHAT IS THE WORLD 10-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP?

The World 10-Ball Championship is an annual event organized by CueSports International and Predator Group. The event is sanctioned by the World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA) and takes place during the CueSports International Expo in Las Vegas in September.

The event takes place on 9 nine-foot tables with one table positioned for live streaming available for all to watch for free online. It is preceded by the Diamond Las Vegas 10-Ball open, a US Pro Billiard Series event and sponsored by the table supplier Diamond Billiards Products.

These events are all part of a worldwide initiative called the World Pro Billiard Series, providing a high-grade platform, where the finest in the sport can compete and show their skills. The US Pro Billiard Series organizes a series of events across American soil, and alongside the other events around the world, is a way to qualify for the World 10-Ball Championship.

The goal for the World Pro Billiard Series is to increase the popularity of the sport and stimulate worldwide participation of events and leagues. This is supported by the vision of Predator and CSI to use billiards as a social bond to create personal interactivity in a day and age consisting of technology.



Dates: September 6-10, 2021

Location: Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino

3700 W. Flamingo Rd.,

Las Vegas, NV

www.ceasar.com/rio-las-vegas

888-746-6955

Room rates for participants if reserved by Wednesday, 18 August, 2021 (must use Group Code: srcsi1)

ROOM RATES Deluxe Suite King Bed \$119.50 USD avg. per room per night

Deluxe Suite 2 Queen Beds \$119.50 U
Deluxe Suite King Bed w/ view \$139.50 U
Deluxe Suite 2 Queen Beds w/ view \$139.50 U

Luxury Suite King Bed \$14 Luxury Suite 2 Queen Beds \$14

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Room rates do not include any meals. All city and state taxes are inclusive in the nightly rate. Each room will have air conditioning.

Discipline: 10-ball

Entry Dates: Invitation Only

Entry Fee: \$750, -

Rules: WPA 10-Ball Rules

Bracket: 64 player Double Elimination

16 Player Single Elimination

Race length: Double Elimination - Race to 8

Single Elimination – Race to 10

PRIZE MONEY

Prize money: \$100,000 Guaranteed

Breakdown:

#	Amount		Total
1	\$35000	1	\$35000
2	\$22000	1	\$22000
3	\$12000	2	\$24000
5	\$5050	4	\$20200
9	\$3000	8	\$24000
17	\$1850	8	\$14800
25	\$1000	8	\$8000
	Total:	32 players	\$148000



Spots are limited and can only be obtained by invitation. A total of 64 spots can be obtained for the World 10-Ball Championship. The WPA has the right to assign 44 spots based on world and continental rankings and championships as follows:

Spots		
16	WPA Ranking	WPA
7	Asia	APBU
2	Africa	AAPA
6	North America	BCA
3	South America	СРВ
7	Europe	EPBF
2	Oceania	ОРВА
4	Host Wildcard	
1	WPA Wildcard	WPA
16	Qualifiers	Worldwide

Players get an invitation for the event with a deadline to confirm participation. Afterwards the payment details and a refund deadline will be provided to secure the spot for the World 10-Ball Championship.

A final list of players will be posted on the official website as soon as all players have been confirmed.



The entry fee for the 2021 Predator World 10-Ball Championship is \$750.00 USD plus electronic processing fees. If you have confirmed your invitation to this event, payment must be received by Aug. 2, 2021. Below are the acceptable ways to pay your entry fee:

1. Credit Card via Phone

Call CueSports International at 1-702-719-7665 and make a credit card payment over the phone. A 3% processing fee applies. Total entry fee plus processing fee is \$772.50 USD.

2. Check or Money Order

Send a check or money order in the amount of \$750.00 USD payable to CueSports International via postal mail postmarked by Aug. 2, 2021, to the following address:

ATTN: Predator World 10-Ball Championship CueSports International 2041 Pabco Road Henderson, Nevada 89011 United States of America

3. PayPal

Visit https://paypal.me/csipaypal to submit payment. MUST include the player's name(s) you are paying for in the "Note" section of the PayPal checkout process. Failure to provide the player's name will result in the forfeiture of the spot. A 5% processing fee applies. Total entry fee including processing fee is \$787.50 USD.

4. Wire Transfer

We accept wire transfers, and 5% processing fee applies. Total entry fee including processing fee is \$787.50 USD.

MUST INCLUDE NAME OF FEDERATION AND/OR PLAYER NAME(S)

- * Routing Transit Number: 121000248
- * Bank Name: Wells Fargo Bank
- * Bank Street Address: 420 Montgomery Street
- * Bank City & State: San Francisco, CA
- * Beneficiary Account Number: 1299944262
- * Beneficiary Account Name: CUESPORTS INTERNATIONAL, LLC
- * SWIFT Code (for international wires only): WFBIUS6S

Refund Policy

Refund requests must be received in writing by email, fax, or postal mail by Monday, Aug. 16, 2021, and will be processed after Sept. 15, 2021. A \$20 USD processing fee applies to each entry refunded.

GENERAL

- WPA rules of play
- Lag for the opening break, alternating breaks
- Referee racks players may not approach or inspect the rack
- 30-second shot clock on the feature table only. For the other tables, the referee will
 monitor and enforce the WPA slow play rule if necessary.
 - Extended 60-second shot clock after the break.
 - One (1) 30-second extension per game
 - The shot clock begins when all balls have come to rest, and the opposing player sits in his or her chair
- Each round of play is scheduled for 2-1/2 hours.
- No open practice is allowed at all on the arena table. The two players scheduled on the arena table may shoot one rack each prior to the match.
- The other tables will open for practice Sunday 5 September as they become available from the US Pro Billiard Event. The tables will close for practice at midnight.
- Between matches, players may practice with alternate racks until match time.
- If a table does not become available until match time or later, players may shoot one rack each prior to beginning the match.

STAGE 1

- 16 players seeded by WPA rankings. Random draw for the remaining players.
- Double elimination to the final 16 players (8 on winners' side & 8 on the one-loss side)
- One set, race to 8.

STAGE 2

- Final 16 players from Stage 1. A new draw will determine the bracket placement.
 - From the sixteen (16) remaining players, the eight (8) highest ranked players on the WPA ranking will be seeded into the bracket. Seeding will be based on their position in the ranking.
 - The remaining eight (8) players will be drawn randomly to complete the player's field.
- Single elimination
- One set, race to 10

LIVE SCORING

Live scoring will be done on CTS.

ONLINE BRACKETS

Online brackets will be done on CTS.

EQUIPMENT

9-ft Diamond tables

Predator Arcadia Reserve Cloth

Predator Arena Lights

Predator Arcos II Balls

Predator Bridges

Predator 1080 Pure Chalk

COVID-19

Although it is impossible to predict exactly what COVID-19 restrictions may be in place at the time of the event, players should be prepared to adhere to all safety rules & regulations put into place by CueSports International, the host venue, state government or local ordinances. Face coverings, social distancing and temperature checks are just a few examples of possible safety precautions that could be in effect. Players accept this when they register and refusal to follow safety rules and regulations is not sufficient justification for a refund.

Player Agreement

These terms set forth the legally binding rules for participation in the event. By registering, players agree to be bound by all terms and conditions set forth by CueSports International (CSI), Predator and other event partners. If you are under the age of 18, you agree to obtain the consent of your legal guardian to participate under these terms.

You acknowledge that you have read and completely understand the latest edition of the Player Guide, Tournament Regulations and/or all rules and regulations and you will check for the latest edition of all documents prior to the event start. You agree to abide by all rules & regulations implemented by CueSports International (CSI), Predator and other event partners. CSI, Predator and other event partners reserve the following rights and responsibilities: determine a player's eligibility, refuse entry to anyone for any reason, change field sizes, adjust ratings, display names and ratings online, change schedules & payouts based on, but not limited to, field sizes, inclement weather, acts of God, war, or terrorism.

You understand that there is an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 and other illnesses when you participate in any event where people are gathered. Although it is impossible to predict exactly what COVID-19 restrictions may be in place at the time of the event, you agree to adhere to all safety rules & regulations put into place by CueSports International, Predator, the host venue, state government or local ordinances. Face coverings, social distancing and temperature checks are just a few examples of possible safety precautions that could be in effect. You accept this when you register and refusal to follow safety rules and regulations is not justification for a refund.

You understand that your participation in this event is completely voluntary. CSI and all representatives, agents, sponsors and affiliates are released and to be held harmless of and from any injury, illness, losses, damages, liability or expenses of any kind incurred by me, my heirs or personal representatives either caused or alleged to be caused during or surrounding this event. Maximum liability to CSI, Predator and all event partners, if any, shall be limited to reimbursement of the entry fee paid.

Disqualification from any CSI event, for any reason, shall result in forfeiture of any prize money won by that player or team, and possible suspension from future CSI-produced events.

CSI, Predator and other event partners may use your photograph, image, likeness or name for information, reporting or promotional purposes via print, video and other media without limitation or compensation of any kind. By participating, you further release all media and appearance rights to CSI, Predator and other event partners for the production of televised matches, recorded or broadcast at the event and for all photographic images taken at the event. By registering, you agree that CSI, Predator and other event partners may also add your email address to its email list and send you periodic emails at its sole discretion.



Approved Clothing

- Dress pants or casual slacks.
- Polo or button-down style shirt with sleeves, fold over or vertical collar.
 Button-down shirts may be worn unbuttoned if they are worn with a neat and tasteful undergarment.
 Button-down shirts worn without an undergarment may only be unbuttoned one button below the neck button or as deemed appropriate by the Tournament Director. Shirts should not be excessively loose or revealing.
- All footwear must be dark color, closetoed and normal in style and wear.
 Shoes with laces must have the laces properly tied. Dark color tennis or walking shoes are acceptable but must be clean and neat

Prohibited Clothing

- Athletic wear of any kind, including but not limited to sweats, swimwear, jogging suits, uniforms, jerseys or any type of pants with contrasting stripes not associated with formal wear.
- Shorts of any kind, regardless of apparent length. Pants must be normal in respect to the appropriate rise in relation to the length of garment and may not be excessively baggy or loose fitting.
- Overalls, coveralls, jeans, hats, headphones or ear pieces (unless medically needed – written medical proof required)

LOGOS & PATCHES

Players may wear a maximum of three (3) logos on playing apparel ("player's logos"). All logos, including apparel brand logos, are included in this maximum of three (3) restriction. Logos may not exceed six (6) square inches. The player must submit to CueSports International (CSI), before his or her first match, samples of all sponsor logos for approval. CSI reserves the authority to disallow any sponsor logos for any reason, including but not limited to not submitting logo for approval or conflicting with any other event or broadcast sponsor. Additionally, CSI reserves the right to require any player to display event sponsor logos on the player's apparel in addition to the three (3) logos allowed.

PLAYERS' MEETING

There will be a mandatory players' meeting at Sunday, September 5th at 9 pm in the Pro Arena. The meeting will be conducted by the Tournament Director. Any player not present may be replaced by a player on the waiting list at CSI's sole discretion without refund.

PLAN YOUR TRAVEL CAREFULLY

We encourage you to allow plenty of time before and after the event for travel. CSI is not responsible for airline delays, lost luggage, traffic jams or any other travel-related issue that could cause you to miss the Players' Meeting and lose your spot. Matches are not delayed or accelerated to accommodate travel issues. Therefore, you are advised to arrive no later than the day before the event begins and leave no sooner than the day after the event ends.



Date	Time	Stage	No. Tables	Stream	Notes
September 6	12:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 1
	2:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 2
	5:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 3
	7:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 4
September 7	12:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 5 – Winners' Side
	2:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 6 – Winners' Side
	5:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 7 – One-Loss Side
	7:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 8 – One Loss Side
September 8	10:00 a.m.	1	8	No	Round 9 – One Loss Side
	12:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 10 – One Loss Side
	3:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 11 – One Loss Side
	5:30 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 12 – Winners' Side
	8:00 p.m.	1	8	Yes	Round 13 – One Loss Side

Date	Time	Stage	No. Tables	Stream	Notes
September 9	10:00 a.m.	2	8	No	Round 14
	12:30 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 15
	3:00 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 16
	5:30 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 17
	8:00 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 18
September 10	12:00 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 19 – Semi-Final
	3:30 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 20 – Semi-Final
	8:00 p.m.	2	1	Yes	Round 21 - Final