



# 2018 WSPA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

JANUARY 17 - 21, 2018

HOSTED BY

Central Wisconsin Convention & Expo Center, Rothschild, WI



## ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH YOUR LEAGUE OPERATOR

If you did not shoot in a WSPA sanctioned league, you must fill out a Player Membership entry form found at [WSPApool.com](http://WSPApool.com).

By filling out this entry form, I have read and agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this entry form. This includes compliance with the dress code, Code of Conduct, and the use of my photograph, image, likeness or name for information, reporting, or promotional purposes via print or other media.

You must provide your WSPA ID#. You can find it here: <http://www.wspapool.com/players>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID# (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

League Operator Name and/or League Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master (If you do not know your rating, please contact your League Operator or email [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com).)

The following start times below are the earliest possible start times. Please watch for bracket announcements at [WSPApool.com](http://WSPApool.com) for your actual start time.

### WOMEN'S 8-BALL

EVENT	ENTRY	RACE	START TIME
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's B 8-Ball	\$50	3/3	Thu. 1/18 - 7:30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's A 8-Ball	\$60	4/4	Thu. 1/18 - 7:30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Master 8-Ball	\$70	5/5	Thu. 1/18 - 9:00pm

Any player knocked out of their event prior to the start of their respective Master division (Women's Master, Men's Master), or Mixed Senior's division (if eligible), can sign up for those events on site up to one hour before the event start.

### MEN'S 8-BALL

EVENT	ENTRY	RACE	START TIME
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's Casual <small>Player MUST meet criteria on page 2.</small>	\$35	3	Thu. 1/18 - 6:00pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's B 8-Ball	\$55	4/3	Thu. 1/18 - 3:00pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's A 8-Ball	\$65	5/4	Thu. 1/18 - 6:00pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's AA 8-Ball	\$75	6/5	Thu. 1/18 - 6:00pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's Master 8-Ball	\$95	7/6	Thu. 1/18 - 9:00pm

### MIXED SENIOR'S 8-BALL

<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Senior's <small>Ages 50+ No Men's Masters</small>	\$60	6/5/4/3	Fri. 1/19 - 9:00am
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\*One mixed handicapped event - Men's AA-6/A-5/B-4; Women's M-5/A-4/B-3

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO YOUR LEAGUE OPERATOR** \_\_\_\_\_  
*You must include a late fee of \$20 if submitting December 19<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>.*

### ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO YOUR LEAGUE OPERATOR BY DECEMBER 18TH TO AVOID LATE FEES

*If submitting December 19<sup>th</sup> to December 29<sup>th</sup>, you must include a late fee of \$20 or your entry will be pending until the late fee is paid.*

### NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER DECEMBER 29TH

*Walk-ins welcome up to one hour prior to event start for Mixed Senior's and Master events only. Late fees still apply.*

PLEASE GO TO [WWW.WSPAPOOL.COM](http://WWW.WSPAPOOL.COM) FOR HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

PLEASE READ ATTACHED PAGES FOR CASUAL DIVISION CRITERIA, DRESS CODE, CODE OF CONDUCT, AND PAYMENT/TAX INFORMATION

#### CASUAL DIVISION CRITERIA

All Casual Division entries will be reviewed closely. If you have questions on eligibility, please email [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com) prior to submitting your entry.

- B-rated players with tournament history wishing to enter into the Casual Division must not have cashed or finished in the top 128.
- Players without tournament history wishing to enter into the Casual Division must have a minimum of 12 weeks of league play (stats must be provided). We will use league stats (win/loss %, table run/ERO), and any other source for determining eligibility. Strength of league will be considered while looking at win/loss %.
- Other entries may be considered but must be approved prior to submission. Please contact [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com) for approval.

#### CODE OF CONDUCT

In order to provide a positive and safe experience for participants of our events, the WSPA expects that all players conduct themselves in a respectable manner in and around the tournament venue. Each participant in our event represents the WSPA and any negative actions by a player reflect negatively on the organization for the present and the future. As our organization grows, we need to bring a positive experience to any venue that we presently use or choose in the future. That positive experience can only be maintained by the good conduct of the participants of our events. Players and spectators are expected to treat opponents with respect. Good sportsmanship lies at the heart of any endeavor involving competition and players must be aware that significant penalties will be applied for fighting, taunting an opponent, or any other unethical conduct.

See below for some examples of general guidelines used for handling inappropriate behavior. This is by no means a complete list. Any form of poor sportsmanship or other actions that are deemed as having a negative impact on the reputation and quality of the tournament and/or tournament venue may result in probation or suspensions from the WSPA events. Please keep in mind that "I drank too much" is not an excuse for actions that result in suspension.

\*\*\* If security has to be called: minimum of one year suspension

\*\*\* If local police are called: minimum of mandatory two year suspension

\*\*\* Physical altercation: minimum of mandatory three year suspension

Please remember that these are guidelines and the WSPA Board reserves the right to adjust these penalties based on the severity of the player's conduct. Suspension from our events means that the individual cannot play in our State or Regional events or be in the building where the event is being held.

#### QUALIFICATIONS TO ENTER

Wisconsin or out-of-state residents must have played a minimum of four matches in a WSPA sanctioned league. If you do not shoot in a WSPA league but are a Wisconsin or Michigan Upper Peninsula resident, please find our WSPA Player Membership & Entry Form here: <http://wspapool.com/tournaments/entry-forms.aspx>. The WSPA may require you to show proof of residency. If you have a question regarding your sanction status or eligibility, contact your League Operator (if applicable) or email [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com).

#### REFUND AND DIVISION CHANGE POLICY

Requests for refunds or division changes will only be accepted by email at [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com). Requests must be received no later than December 29<sup>th</sup>. Refund checks will be mailed after the tournament is complete and will be charged \$10 fee per event. Late fees are non-refundable.

#### TAX INFORMATION

Any player having won more than a cumulative amount of \$600 from any 2018 WSPA event(s) will be required to fill out Form W-9. This form will be made available at the tournaments. The WSPA will report your winnings to the IRS and send you Form 1099-MISC. If you do not fill out Form W-9, we will be required to withhold 30% of your prize money.

### EVENT RACE & FEE BREAKDOWN

*The following start times below are the earliest possible start times. Please watch for brackets at [wspapool.com](http://wspapool.com) for your actual start time.*

EVENT	START TIME	RACE	TOTAL ENTRY	TO PAYOUT	GREEN FEE	ADMIN FEE
Men's Scotch Doubles	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm	6/5/4/3	\$60	\$45	\$10	\$5
Mixed Scotch Doubles	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm	5/4/3	\$60	\$45	\$10	\$5
Men's B 9-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm	5/4	\$50	\$30	\$15	\$5
Men's A 9-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm	6/5	\$60	\$35	\$20	\$5
Men's AA 10-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm	7/6	\$70	\$45	\$20	\$5
Men's Master 10-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00pm	8/7	\$80	\$55	\$20	\$5
Women's B 9-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm	4	\$45	\$30	\$10	\$5
Women's Master/A 9-Ball	Wednesday, January 17 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm	6/5, 5/4	\$55	\$35	\$15	\$5
Men's Casual 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm	3	\$35	\$20	\$10	\$5
Men's B 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 3:00pm	4/3	\$55	\$35	\$15	\$5
Men's A 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm	5/4	\$65	\$40	\$20	\$5
Men's AA 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm	6/5	\$75	\$50	\$20	\$5
Men's Master 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00pm	7/6	\$95	\$70	\$20	\$5
Women's B 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm	3	\$50	\$30	\$15	\$5
Women's A 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm	4	\$60	\$35	\$20	\$5
Women's Master 8-Ball	Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00pm	5	\$70	\$45	\$20	\$5
Mixed Senior's 8-Ball (No Men's Master)	Friday, January 19 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am	Men – AA-6/A-5/B-4 Women – M-5/A-4/B-3	\$60	\$35	\$20	\$5
Mixed Casual Team (Three-person teams)	Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> – 11:00am	6	\$150	\$105	\$30	\$15
Mixed B Team	Friday, January 19 <sup>th</sup> – 6:30pm	10	\$300	\$225	\$50	\$25
Mixed A Team	Friday, January 19 <sup>th</sup> – 8:45pm	11	\$350	\$275	\$50	\$25
Mixed Master/AA Team	Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> – 11:00am	13	\$400	\$325	\$50	\$25
Women's B Team	Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am	7	\$240	\$180	\$40	\$20
Women's A Team	Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am	8	\$260	\$200	\$40	\$20
Women's Master Team	Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am	10	\$300	\$240	\$40	\$20

## GENERAL TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

All tournament play is governed by the 2014-2016 edition of The Official Rules of CueSports International and the following regulations. Modifications to the official rules are included in this document and take precedence over the official rules. The following regulations are the singles competition. For the full set of Singles, Team, and Scotch Tournament Regulations, please go to: <http://wspapool.com/user-files/documents/tournament-regulations.pdf>

### SAFETY/SOFT BREAKS

1. No intentionally soft breaks or safety breaks.
2. If your break is illegal, with or without a foul, your inning ends. Your opponent may:
  - A. Re-rack the balls and break.
  - B. Require you to re-rack the balls and break again.
3. The game cannot continue until there is a legal break. If a break is illegal and there is also a foul, the illegal break takes precedence and the incoming player must choose either option "A" or "B" above
4. If it is found that you are intentionally doctoring the rack or not striking the rack with a reasonable force, that game will be forfeited. Final decisions on this violation are at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

### SLOW PLAY

This rule is to minimize slow play in order to move the events along at the scheduled pace and to offer pleasant experience for all players.

- Players can be put on a shot clock if it is determined they are taking an excessive amount of time to shoot. Event officials require that matches proceed at a steady pace. You may call a referee if you believe your opponent is consistently taking longer than one minute per shot. If after a reasonable time of observation, the referee determines that slow play is occurring, they will warn the offending player. If slow play persists after the first warning, the Tournament Director or designee will place the offending player on a shot clock. The shot clock will be used until the offending player demonstrates they can play in the allotted amount of time.
- If it is determined he or she is slow playing again in the same or a later match, the player will be warned again and watched from a distance by a tournament official. If the opponent continues to consistently take longer than a minute to shoot, then the penalty will be a game forfeiture.
- If the same player is found slow playing a third time in an event, he or she will once again be warned and if found to still be slow playing will forfeit their remaining games in that match.
- A fourth occurrence by the same player will result in a warning, and if found to be slow playing again, he or she will be disqualified for the remainder of the event.

### DRESS CODE

Dress code requirements are established to add to the prestige and respect to the WSPA State Championships. Your cooperation in wearing neat, clean apparel at all times during competition is appreciated. Final decisions on dress code violations are at the discretion of the Tournament Director and/or WSPA Board.

Referees will not be policing dress code violations. It is up to the players to either accept or questions their opponent's attire before the coin flip of their match.

### SINGLES COMPETITION

- Shirts: Clean neat T-shirts, collared shirts, sweaters and sweatshirts are permitted. (Sweatshirts with hoods must have the hood down; they cannot be worn up over the head) Shirts may not contain any vulgarity.
- Pants: Men must wear long pants or shorts, either dress pants or neat, clean, jeans or shorts. Women may wear dress pants, Capri-style pants or neat, clean, jeans or shorts. Women may also skirts or sleeved dresses of conservative length. Sweats, warm-up suits or jogging suits are forbidden.
- Any headgear worn must be clean, neat and worn as intended (bill straight forward, etc.).
- Shoes: Men and women must wear clean, neat, shoes at all times. Open-toed sandals can be worn, but no Flip-Flops of any kind.

### PROHIBITED CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES

- Clothing must neat, non-offensive, and cannot be excessively torn.
- Athletic wear including but not limited to: sweats, swimwear, jogging suits, athletic uniforms or jerseys, any kind of pants with contrasting stripes normally associated with athletic wear.
- Shorts and pants must be conservative with respect to the rise in relation to the length of the garment, and may not be excessively baggy, loose fitting, or worn with the waistline below the top of the hips.
- Overalls or coveralls. Sleeveless shirts worn over undergarments are prohibited.
- Sweaters, jackets, coats or other outerwear when worn over a shirt that does not meet the dress code, regardless of whether or not the outerwear has a fold-over collar.
- Any headgear worn must be clean, neat and worn as intended (bill straight forward, etc.).
- Any clothing or headwear judged by tournament officials or referees to be:
  1. In poor taste, offensive, dirty, excessively torn, or worn in a manner other than intended;
  2. Disrespectful or mocking of the sport in any way (e.g., sleep wear, clothing worn as a joke, etc.);
  3. Unnecessarily revealing (e.g., bare midriff, low-cut necklines, etc.)

### ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

1. The following dress code violations may be required to be corrected immediately at any time the dress code is in effect:
  - A. Improper headgear may be required to be corrected or removed.
  - B. Button down shirts may be required to be adjusted to meet the dress code.
  - C. Any dress code violation by a player practicing in the tournament area when not involved in a match
  - D. Untied shoes may be required to be corrected.
  - For violations of (C), players will be asked to immediately stop practicing and leave the player's area if the violation cannot be corrected immediately.
2. If they cannot be corrected immediately, all other dress code violations will be enforced upon being discovered by any referee or tournament official at any time during a match. Penalties and procedures are described below.

### PENALTIES

1. First violation: the player will lose one game of the match.
  - a. The penalty game is added to the opponent's score immediately. Any game in progress is not affected and will continue, regardless of the status or progress of the game.
  - b. Exception: if the player's opponent is on the hill, the one-game penalty is not applied, but the violation is recorded and counts in the progression of dress code penalties.
    - In addition to the one-game penalty, a mandatory warning will be given that a second violation of any part of the dress code during any later match in any event will result in immediate disqualification of that player from all remaining events. After the first-violation penalty is applied, the player will be allowed to finish the match without the dress code violation corrected.
2. Second violation in any later match in any event: disqualification from the event and all remaining events.

### MEDICAL EXCEPTIONS

Should a player require an exception for medical reasons, the player must provide a letter on official letterhead from the player's health care provider before the tournament begins and present that to the tournament director. They must keep this letter on them at all times.

### GENERAL

- Personal Hygiene: Any player found to be wearing the same clothing over a period of a couple of days or more will be subject to forfeit. Also, any player not using good personal hygiene (showering or bathing, etc.) will be subject to the same match forfeitures.
- The tournament director or designate is the final authority on dress code.
  - Relaxed dress code for mini tournaments and practice. Clean and neat apparel is required at all times.

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