



# 2018 WSPA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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HOSTED BY

Central Wisconsin Convention & Expo Center, Rothschild, WI



## ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH YOUR LEAGUE OPERATOR

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 WSPA ID numbers and ratings. You can find them here: <http://www.wspapool.com/players>.

For unrated players, please email [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com) with their name, ID #, and League Operator.

### TEAM NAME:

Player 1/Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID # (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

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

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

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

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID # (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID # (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID # (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 5: \_\_\_\_\_ WSPA ID # (Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Rating:  C  B  A  AA  Master Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### MIXED TEAM EVENTS

Please see page 2 for team composition options.

EVENT	ENTRY	RACE	START
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed C (3-person)	\$150	6	1/20 – 11:00am
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed B	\$300	10	1/19 – 6:30pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed A	\$350	11	1/19 – 8:45pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Master/AA	\$400	13	1/20 – 11:00am

### WOMEN'S TEAM EVENTS

Please see page 2 for team composition options.

EVENT	ENTRY	RACE	START
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's B	\$240	7	1/20 – 9:00am
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's A	\$260	8	1/20 – 9:00am
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Master	\$300	10	1/20 – 9:00am

Please note: all start times listed are the earliest possible start times.

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO YOUR LEAGUE OPERATOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

Entries must be submitted to your League Operator by December 18<sup>th</sup> to avoid late fees. Please include the late fee if submitting between December 19<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Late fee for Mixed C is \$30; Women's events - \$40; Mixed B, A, M/AA - \$50.

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

Walk-in entries for Master events are welcome, but must be signed up by 10:00pm Friday. 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

## MIXED TEAM AND WOMEN'S TEAM COMPOSITION OPTIONS

EVENT	TEAM SIZE	RESTRICTIONS
Mixed Casual Team	3	Must all be approved Men's C players or Women's B players
Mixed B Team	5	Maximum of one A player per round*
Mixed A Team	5	Maximum of one AA player per round*
Mixed Master/AA Team	5	Maximum of two Master players per round*
Women's B Team	4	Maximum of one A player per round*
Women's A Team	4	No Masters
Women's Master Team	4	No restrictions

*\*It is permissible to have more than the allowed per round limit of upper division players on your roster, however, you must stay within the limit during match rounds.*

### 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

Please show respect to our vendors and exclusive photographers. This includes but is not limited to: publicly advertising cues and/or other billiard-related items for sale at our events; taking, or commissioning others to attempt to take professional-grade photography.

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 our sponsors. Any negative actions by a player reflect negatively on the organization and our sponsors 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 event. 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. Any form of poor sportsmanship or other actions that are deemed as having a negative impact on the reputation of the organization, venue or sponsors may result in probation or suspensions from WSPA events.

- \*\*\* 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 events are being held.

### 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.

### QUALIFICATIONS TO ENTER

No Player Members (non-league players) are allowed in team events. Wisconsin or out-of-state residents must have played a minimum of four matches in a WSPA sanctioned league. If you have a question regarding your sanction status or eligibility, contact your League Operator or email [info@wspapool.com](mailto:info@wspapool.com).

### 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

EVENT	RACE	RACE	TOTAL ENTRY	TO PAYOUT	GREEN FEE	ADMIN FEE
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 team 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. If you are on a team that has a slow player, it is suggested that a teammate monitor the slow player to ensure they are playing at a reasonable pace.

- 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.
- 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 question their opponent's attire.
- During team competition, it is the responsibility of each player to either accept or question his or her first opponent's attire before the break of their first game.

## TEAM COMPETITION

- Matching team shirts are required for all teams during Team competition. T-Shirts are allowed.
- Color, style (including sleeve length and neckline) of team shirts must be matching (except for players' names) for all team members. This includes front and back of shirts, if they have a logo or monogram.
- Each member of a team must have their own team shirt/blouse. Borrowing the shirt of a teammate is not permitted.

## PROHIBITED CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES

- Clothing must not be excessively torn
- Athletic wear of any kind, 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 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's current game is lost. Any other team game(s) in progress will not be affected and will continue, regardless of the status or progress of the game(s).
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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