

Competition Regulations

1. Hosts

World Pool-Billiard Association

Multi-Ball Sport Administrative Centre of China General Administration
of Sport

China Billiards & Snooker Association

Shanghai Administration of Sports

Shanghai Sports Federation

2. Title Sponsors

Shanghai Tangcheng Pudong Investment & Development Co., Ltd.

3. Organizers

Shanghai Billiards Association

Pudong Administration of Education & Sports

Pudong New Area Sports Federation

Peoples' Government of Tangzhen Pudong New Area

Tangzhen philanthropic foundation

Sports Channel Media Co., Ltd.

4. Co-Organizer:

Pudong Billiards Association

Pudong Yuanshen Sports Development Center

Beijing Xingwei Sports Goods Co., Ltd.

Shanghai Hongkou Sports Bureau

5. Promotion: Pudong Billiards Association

6. Tournament Venue

Stage 1: Men: Shanghai APEX Billiard Club

B1, No.773 Siping Road, Hongkou district

Women: Pudong Tangzhen Culture & Sports Center

No.3150 Gu tang Road, Pudong New District

Stage 2: Pudong Tangzhen Culture & Sports Center

No.3150 Gu tang Road, Pudong New District

7. Tournament Dates

Stage 1: Sep 2nd -4th 2018

Stage 2: Sep 6th - 9th 2018

8. Discipline

7.1 Men's singles 9-ball

7.2 Women's singles 9-ball

9. Television Relay

a: CCTV5 Channel

b: Great Sports Channel

10. Cooperation Media

Xinhua Net, China News Service, People's Daily, Guangming Daily, China Sports Daily, China Youth News, Wenhui Daily, Jiefang Daily, Xinmin news, Labor Daily, the Oriental Sports Daily, Universal Daily, Shanghai Daily, Youth Daily, the Oriental post, Morning news, Pudong news, Shanghai Billiards News, Sina, Tencent, Sohu, NetEase, China Star, Eastern network, the CBSA website, TOP147 Billiards, CCTV sports channel, CCTV Billiards Channel, Beijing TV, Guangdong TV, Shanghai TV, Oriental TV, Great Sports, VideoLand TV, Pudong Cable TV, Pudong radio stations, Great Sports Radio ,

Shanghai People's Broadcasting station

11. Official Equipment

11.1 Table: Xingpai

11.2 Ball: CYCLOP TV Ball

11.3 Cloth: CPBA Competition

11.4 Light: Junyao Billiard Light

11.5 Cue: Piston

11.6 Hotel: Ramada Shanghai East

11.7 Website: www.cbsa.org.cn

12. Registration

12.1 Qualification: top16 men players and top8 women players according to WPA rankings (until Jun 30th 2018) will access to the Stage 2.

12.2 Registration for Chinese athletes (including the players of stage 2)

a. Download the CBSA APP and register

b. Log in the CBSA official website and register

c. If players want to wear commercial logos, please send the name and the picture of the logos via cbsa@sports.cn

12.3 Registration for foreign athletes, you could send your entry form to cbsa@sports.cn , and mail cc chinaopen_9ball@126.com

12.4 Deadline: Aug 10th 2018

12.5 Inquiry Tel. 8610-87187887 (Beijing), 8621-50933078(Shanghai)

12.6 Registration Fee: CNY1500 for 3 matches of stage 1

CNY1000 of stage 2.

12.7 All players must participate in all competitions related activities

according to the players notice.

12.8 Office Location: Pudong Billiards Association

(3th floor of west area, 655 Yuanshen Road, Pudong New Area)

TEL: 86-21-50936220 8621-50933078

E-mail: chinaopen_9ball@126.com Contact: Ms Zhang

13. Tournament formats and rules

13.1 WPA 9- ball rule with the 3 point break shot rule.

13.2 Stage 1(qualifying tournaments): Winner breaks.

Single elimination, race to 9 (Men's)

Single elimination, race to 7 (Women's)

All applicants are guaranteed to participate in the 1st chance
(2 qualifiers), 2nd chance (2 qualifiers) and 3rd chance (4 qualifiers).

Stage 2(main event): Alternate breaks.

(Group round); 64 players, Double elimination, race to 9 (Men's)

48players, Double elimination, race to 7(Women's)

(Final round); 32 players, Single elimination, race to 11 (Men's)

16 players, Single elimination, race to 9 (Women's)

4 players from each group advance into last 32 final (Men's);

2 players from each group advance into last 16 final (Women's);

13.3 No seeded player in stage 1. Stage 2 seeded players: Top16 men
players and women players according to current WPA rankings.

13.4 Stage 2: 2 from winner's bracket will be seeded into Final Round
according to their results from group rounds, 2 from loser's bracket
will be drawn randomly (Men's); 1 from winner's bracket will be
seeded into Final Round according to their results from group

rounds, 1 from loser's bracket will be drawn randomly (Women's).

13.5 There's a 45-second shot clock in operation at all times, with a warning given at 35 seconds and a countdown at the last 5 seconds. Each player will be allowed one extension(45 seconds) per rack. No shot clock for the final game once it reaches the hill-hill stage.

13.6 Each player can request a 5 minutes' time-out each round.

13.7 Magic sheet will be used to rack the balls with 1 on the spot.

According to WPA 9ball rules, at least 3 object balls must either be pocketed or touch the head string as a result of a break in order for it to be legal. Any combination of below(i.e. 1 object ball pocket and 2 object balls touching the head string, or 2 object balls pocket and 1 object ball touching the head string) is also legal.

If a player's break is considered illegal, opponent has the option either to accept the table as it is, or hand it back to the player who breaks. If the opponent accepts the table as it is, the player cannot perform a push-out. If 9ball is pocketed in a legal break, the player wins the rack. If in case of an illegal break, 9 ball will be re-spotted, opponent has the option.

14. Prizes

14.1 Prizes will be given according to the criteria of WPA.

14.2 Trophies for the men & women champion and runner-up.

15. Expenses

15.1 All the players are responsible for all their own expenses occurred during the Tournament.

15.2 The Organizing Committee will be responsible for staff & referees'

return tickets, accommodation fee & remuneration.

16. Points for Attention

- 16.1 Players must obey the arrangements and follow the rules.
- 16.2 Players are requested to be stand-by in the venue 30 minutes before the match scheduled time, no appearance at the table after the match starts, the game shall be forfeited.
- 16.3 If any question arises player should point before next shot, otherwise it will not be attended to.
- 16.4 No smoking in the venue & mobiles are forbidden during the game.
- 16.5 Any form of gambling is strictly forbidden during the tournament.
- 16.6 Dress code: Nice t-shirt with collar and sleeves, dark trousers & leather black shoes, no tennis shoes; women players may dressed in formal on the top. Look your best head to toe.
- 16.7 Players are forbidden to attend any commercial activities or other tournaments during China Open (Sep 03rd - 10th) without permission from the organization committee. If violations are found, the Organizing Committee will punish him or her CNY5000, and in serious cases can be disqualified.
- 16.8 All players must attend all competitions related activities including sponsor activities, meetings, the opening ceremony, the draw ceremony and the closing ceremony. Anyone absent without permission from the organization committee will be punished CNY1500.
- 16.9 It is mandatory that players should wear the title sponsors' logo(right chest and arm for left-handed, left chest and arm for

right-handed).

16.10 Players can wear maximum 2 commercial or governmental logos which should be stated in the Entry Form and approved by Organization Committee. The size should not exceed 5cmx8cm, diameter of circle not exceed 7cm. Wearing logos not stated in the entry form results in immediate disqualification

**The interpretation of the competition information belongs to the Host.
Matters not mentioned herein will be announced.**