

CAPTAINS INFORMATION SHEET

- **Venue names and addresses:**
 - Cueball, Mansfield Road, Derby, DE21 4AW
 - The Towers, Botany Avenue, Mansfield, NG18 5NG
- **Please respect the venues.** They have provided these tables during the course of event, make sure you provide them the business they require so we can come here again in later seasons! This includes not bringing outside food and drink into the venues. Any individuals not respecting the venues will be taken very seriously and may be banned from the venues.
- **A team captain is the contact point between his team and the tournament staff.** Other players should not approach the competition desk other than when called for an individual match or reporting an individual result. Team captains are responsible for ensuring that their team know the contents of this briefing and the information contained on this sheet.
- Links to the **competitions spreadsheets** can be found in the discussion on the "BUCS-UPC Snooker Championships 2024-2025" Facebook event and via UPC's website at www.upc-pool.org.uk
- Please note the rule amendments to the usual snooker rules to the **miss rule** and **when a frame is concluded if a player is over three snookers behind**. More guidance is provided on page 3.
- Players should maintain a respectful level of quietness at all times when matches are in progress, respecting officials, the venue, equipment and other players.
- Ensure matches start **promptly** after the cueball/matchsheet has been given out and that each frame follows the preceding one **without delay** in line with regulations. Furthermore, **report any results immediately after the conclusion of the match**.
- Matchsheets for team matches must have the **full names** of each player in the appropriate place. Each frame will be scored "W" and "L" or "1" and "0" with the final total entered at the bottom.
- **We will be recording any breaks of 30 or over during this event.** This will be done by writing breaks on the matchsheet or, in the case of individual matches, by informing the tournament officials when results are reported to the competition desk.
- During an individual match, each player is entitled to a five-minute timeout. This can only be taken immediately at the completion of a frame – not during a frame and not before the first frame. No timeouts can be taken during team matches.
- Order of breaks shall be determined by a coin toss between the two players playing the first frame of the match as it appears on the matchsheet, then alternating through to the end of the match.
- As matches conclude and tables become free, matches still in progress may be expanded to a maximum of three tables until completed. Note that all knockout matches will be played on three tables throughout.
- You will referee your own matches, but on Sunday there will be a dedicated walkabout referee present. Should there be any disputes, refer them to the referee or a UPC official. The referee or an official cannot rule on something they have not seen. If you disagree with the decision you may appeal it to the Tournament Director, whose decision will be final and any dispute will be treated as dissent and dealt with accordingly.
- Only players involved in a frame should approach the table and must be attired in accordance with the dress code whilst playing. A player/team playing out with dress code shall forfeit the current frame and lose one further frame for every 5 minutes they are not in dress code and ready to play.
- No practice will be allowed on free tables while any matches are still in play. Persistent disregard to this rule will be treated as dissent and dealt with accordingly.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

12 March 2025 (Wednesday) – CUEBALL (DERBY) ONLY	
19:00-21:00	Open Registration
20:30	Pre-Tournament Briefing - <i>will be repeated at 09:00 at both venues on Thursday; team representatives need only attend once. Teams failing to send a representative on either day will be fined £10.00, payable before play in the event. Individuals without a team are encouraged attend a briefing if at all possible, though there will be no penalties for non-attendance for these players</i>
After a player has registered, that player is considered registered for the whole of the event (including the team competition) and does <u>not</u> need to register again. The Wednesday registration session (Cueball <u>only</u>) is open to any player. Players not registering on Wednesday should register on Thursday at the venue and time noted next to their match in the draw for the relevant individual competition. This time is the earliest a match may be called. If a player fails to register when called then that player may be scratched from individual competition	
13 March 2025 (Thursday) – BOTH VENUES	
08:45	Doors Open
09:00	Pre-Tournament Briefing - <i>repeated from 20:30 at Cueball on Wednesday; team representatives need only attend once. Teams failing to send a representative on either day will be fined £10.00, payable before play in the event. Individuals without a team are encouraged attend a briefing if at all possible, though there will be no penalties for non-attendance for these players</i>
09:10	Play Begins <u>Order of Play</u> • Individual Championship qualifying-round one • Individual Trophy preliminary round • Individual Championship qualifying-round two • Individual Trophy last-32 round • Individual Championship last-64 round
14 March 2025 (Friday) – BOTH VENUES	
08:45	Doors Open
09:00	Play Begins <u>Order of Play</u> • Team Championship/Trophy group-stage tranche-one matches • Private-hire coach to transport players between venues. £3 per person per trip. Cash only • Individual Championship last-32 round • Individual Trophy last-16 round • Individual Championship last-16 round • Individual Trophy quarter-final round • Individual Championship quarter-final round • Individual Trophy semi-final round • Individual Championship semi-final round
15 March 2025 (Saturday) – BOTH VENUES	
08:45	Doors Open
09:00	Play Begins <u>Order of Play</u> • Team Championship/Trophy group-stage tranche-two matches • Team Championship/Trophy group-stage tranche-three matches • Team Championship last-sixteen matches
	<u>CUEBALL (DERBY) ONLY</u>
Not before 16:30	• Individual Championship and Individual Trophy finals Followed by presentation and photographs



SCHEDULE OF PLAY – CONT.

16 March 2025 (Sunday) – THE TOWERS (MANSFIELD) ONLY	
08:45	Doors Open
09:00	Play Begins
	<u>Order of Play</u>
	• Team Trophy quarter-final matches • Team Championship quarter-final matches • Team Championship and Team Trophy semi-final matches • Team Championship and Team Trophy finals
	<i>Followed by presentation and photographs</i>
	<u>Estimated</u> finish time 18:30

MISS RULE

There is no 'miss' rule in operation at this event.

RULE ON CONCESSION WHEN NEEDING SNOOKERS

Schedule 3, section F2(a) from the Competition Regulations states:

“If the striker needs more than three snookers (four if a free ball has been awarded) to tie at any stage, a frame is over and play must cease immediately.”