

Introduction

The **Professional Cue Sports Association (PCSA) Pro-Am Ranking System** will be introduced in **2025** to calculate and monitor player rankings across all **Pro-Am Snooker Series** tournaments at **Club 200**. This system aims to encourage regular participation, reward top performers, and provide a clear qualification pathway for the **PCSA Pro-Am Snooker Series Grand Final**.

The inaugural season will begin on **December 21, 2024**, with all scores recorded from that date. The season will run until **August 2025**, when regular tournament events conclude. After the season ends, the playoffs will commence, culminating in the Grand Final to determine the overall champion.

Ranking System Overview

The **PCSA Ranking System** will allocate points to players based on their performance in each **Pro-Am** tournament. The points distribution is as follows:

Ranking Points Allocation

- **Champion** – 1,000 points
- **Runner-up** – 750 points
- **Semi-finalists** – 500 points
- **Quarter-finalists** – 400 points
- **9th-16th place** – 300 points
- **17th-32nd place** – 200 points
- **33rd-64th place** – 100 points

Any player who does not turn up for their first match, whether they received a bye in the first round or were scheduled to play, will only receive 50 ranking points for that event.

PCSA reserves the final decision right on all matters related to attendance and scoring.

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Tie-Breaking Ranking Rule for PCSA Grand Final Qualification

In the event that two or more players have identical total ranking scores on the final list—which is used to determine the top 32 players qualifying for the PCSA Grand Final—the following tie-breaking criteria shall be applied in the order listed below:

1. **Tournament Victories:** The player with the greater number of tournament victories throughout the season shall be awarded the higher ranking.

2. **Head-to-Head Record:** If the tie remains unresolved, the result of the most recent head-to-head match between the tied players shall be considered.
3. **Frame Difference:** Should equality persist, the player with the greater net frame difference (i.e., total frames won minus total frames lost) over the season shall be ranked higher.
4. **Total Frames Won:** If the tie still continues, the player with the higher total number of frames won during the season shall be accorded the superior ranking.

PCSA Pro-Am Series Grand Final Qualification

The **PCSA Pro-Am Series Grand Final** will feature the **top 32 ranked players**, who will automatically qualify at the end of the season. Should a qualified player be unable to participate, the **next highest-ranked player** (e.g., 33rd place) will be invited as a replacement.

The Grand Final will be structured as a **knockout tournament**, with the **top-seeded player (Seed 1) competing against Seed 32, Seed 2 facing Seed 31, and so on**. The official tournament format will be announced at a later date.

The Grand Final is scheduled to take place at the end of the season, likely in late August or early September. Rankings will be determined in accordance with the **Tie-Breaking Ranking Rule for PCSA Grand Final Qualification**. More details regarding the Grand Final, including the entry fee and final date, will be announced at a later date.

The total prize money for the Grand Final is guaranteed to be **£1,500**, with **PCSA significantly topping up the prize money** to enhance the competition.

Highest Break Recognition

A dedicated **Highest Break List** will be maintained throughout the series. Any player achieving a **break of 50 or more** will be recorded on this list and duly acknowledged. Additionally, a prize will be given to the player with the highest break at the end of the season.

Ranking Updates & Transparency

All ranking-related information, including **updated player standings** and **highest break achievements**, will be **regularly published and updated** following each **Pro-Am event** on the **PCSA official website** - <https://www.pcsaofficial.com/>.

Prize Money Distribution Per Pro-Am Event

The prize structure for each regular **Pro-Am event** will be as follows (assuming full **64-player** participation):

- **Winner:** £700
- **Runner-Up:** £300
- **Semi-finalists:** £125 each
- **Quarter-finalists:** £25 each
- **Highest Break:** £80 (*Minimum 50+ break required*)
- **Prize money will be adjusted accordingly if the number of registered participants falls below 64.**

Regular Pro-Am Event Details

Entry

- Maximum of **64 entries** accepted.
- Entries are processed on a **first-come, first-served basis, ordered by payment date/time.**
- Entries must be submitted **via WPBSA SnookerScore.**
- Payment is to be made by **bank transfer.**

Draw & Scheduling

- If 64 entries are received, the draw will be conducted electronically using **WPBSA SnookerScore on the day before** the event. The finalized draw will be published on **WPBSA SnookerScore.**
- Match start times will be at **9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, and 11:30 AM.**
All matches are required to commence at **9:00 AM sharp.**
- Please **only** enter if you can begin at the scheduled time.
- No replacements, changes, or refunds will be permitted **once** the draw is completed.

Entry Fee:

- £25 (Inclusive of table fee)

Bank Details

Business Account Name: PCSA Sports Limited

Sort Code: 01-02-77

Account Number: 26423138

Please state your name (and surname) as the payment reference

Rules:

- All Matches Best of 5 Straight Knockout
- Full Miss Rule
- Pros give 18 start
- Ex-pro (in last 5 years) gives 7 start
- Current Q School / Q Tour (top 24 ranking) gives 7 start

Late Arrival Rule

- Arriving **more than 15 minutes** after the scheduled start time will result in **forfeiture of one frame**.
- Arriving **more than 30 minutes** late will result in **forfeiture of the entire match**.

Scoring Sheet

- Players will receive a scoring sheet from the tournament desk once their match is called.
- **All frames** must be **accurately recorded** on the sheet.
- Players must **return** the completed scoring sheet to the **tournament director** after the match.


Dress Code:


- **EPSB Level 1 Dress Code**
- 'Normal' clothes are permitted to be worn. This includes clothes such as T-shirts, jeans and trainers.
- However, the following items will **NOT** be permitted to be worn: sleeveless tops, flip-flops, sponsored non-snooker sports tops – for example, a football shirt.
- Please make sure the clothes you wear are not scruffy or dirty.


Snooker Etiquette:


- Please **call out your opponent's break audibly** to maintain clarity and fairness during the match.

Upcoming Event Date Schedule

 6 April 2025 (Sunday)

 19 April 2025 (Saturday)

 3 May 2025 (Saturday) #TBC#

 18 May 2025 (Sunday) #TBC#

In addition to these scheduled events, there will be **two Pro-Am monthly tournaments** throughout the season. One event will be held on a **Saturday** and the other on a **Sunday** unless scheduling conflicts arise due to overlapping significant tournaments.

Tournament Directors

For any enquiries, please contact the tournament directors:

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