

ACSISA OPEN ARTISTIC POOL CHAMPIONSHIP

PLAYER ENTRY FORM:

PLAYER'S NAME: _____ PLAYER'S NICKNAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE/PROVINCE: _____ COUNTRY: _____ ZIP / POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____ ALT. PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____

CODE OF CONDUCT (1st of 3 pages in this document):

1. I will obey all Rules, Regulations and Policies associated with the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship.
2. I understand my personal conduct must be above reproach during my participation in the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship.
3. I will not disparage or publicly criticize the ACSISA, the WPA, or the WPA APD (including its officers), venue, and other billiard players, the event personnel, equipment or sponsors.
4. I will not abuse any equipment associated with the event or within the host venue or hotel.
5. I will not engage in intentional sharking, public drunkenness or public disagreements.
6. I will not gamble or bet on any match (mine or others) in this event.
7. I will be polite and courteous to tournament officials, spectators, sponsors and promoters.
8. I will not smoke within all tournament play areas and practice areas, plus I will adhere to all state smoking laws and venue smoking policies.
9. I will not use any illegal substances or alcohol while participating in the event.
10. I will attend all promotional activities / functions requested by the promoter. The promoter will give players at least one-day notice of such activities
11. I will make myself available for media interviews, autographs, and / or photo requests after and before rounds of play as time allows.
12. I will conform to the event dress code and always maintain a presentable appearance.
13. I understand and agree that if I violate this Code of Conduct, I am subject to discipline including, but not limited to (a) removal from the tournament and event completion, (b) forfeiture of any prize money earned or fined, (c) forfeiture of my eligibility to participate in any future WPA / WPA APD events, and d) loss of WPA World Artistic Pool Ranking points as determined by review of the infraction by the WPA Artistic Pool Division.

Special Note: A minimum of 25% of a player's current posted WPA World Artistic Pool ranking points will be penalty assessed for violations to any part of this Code of Conduct (13 points above).

ENTRY FEE INFORMATION:

Open Event Entry Fee \$350.00 (payable in cash only at venue site)

Entries fees must be paid to the WPA APD representative / designate upon arrival at venue site!

I AGREE, that by entering the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship (or if under the age of 18 and if applicable, as the entrant's legal guardian or parent) agree to all terms of the entry form and will fully abide by all event Rules, Policies, and Code of Conduct of the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship and other points of conduct noted in this document applicable to Artistic Pool independent of this event.

Additionally, by entering the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship, I release all media and appearance rights to the host promoter and / or the WPA APD for the production of televised and / or streamed matches, recorded at the event (ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship) and all photographic images taken at said event. I recognize, as an entrant, any prize monies won shall serve as complete compensation for the surrender of these rights. The host promoter and / or the WPA APD has the right to change any / all schedules and payouts based on, but not limited to inclement weather, acts of God, strikes or terrorism. Host promoter, and all event representatives, agents, sponsors and affiliates are released and to be held harmless of and from any injury, illness, losses, damages, liability or expenses of any kind accrued by me, my heirs, or personal representatives either caused or alleged to be caused during or surrounding this event. Disqualification from any host promoter and / or WPA APD event for unsportsmanlike conduct shall result in forfeiture of any prize money or award with possible suspension from all host promoter and / or WPA APD produced events.

IF THE ENTRANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18:

As the legal parent, and / or guardian for _____, I do hereby verify that I fully understand and accept each of the conditions permitting my child to participate in the ACSISA Open Artistic Pool Championship (March 20 – 22, 2015).

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

FOR ENTRANTS AGE 18 AND OVER, PRINT, SIGN, AND DATE BELOW:

Printed Name of Entrant: _____

Entrant (Player's Signature): _____ Date: _____

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT (CONTINUED)

This player Code Of Conduct is simple to understand and has specific penalties for not complying with its points. The penalty of not playing in a future WPA APD recognized / approved event and the deletion of "x number" of ranking points on the WPA World Artistic Pool Rankings provides key discipline factors for violations and assures a positive image to "being a professional player" for the benefit of our sport and associated parties.

Other Violations / Disciplinary Actions Not Covered On Entry Form Page:

a) Any player promoting and / or releasing an unapproved or inaccurate event title he or she may have won or someone else may have won will lose 250 WPA World Artistic Pool Ranking Points for a first time violation and will have a 30-day deadline period to make a correction and / or retraction publicly via social network systems. If the player does not fulfill the requirement of this 30-day period or if the player incurs a second violation, he or she will automatically be removed from the WPA World Artistic Pool Professional Rankings without recourse or replacement. **Note: An official event title can be easily confirmed before release to assure approved title content is used by simply referring to all WPA APD pre-event promotions / releases.**

Note: If the WPA APD discovers that media releases are in error when specific titles are released, it will contact said media about this situation and find out if player(s) had a direct input to inaccurate title(s) that were released. If so, the player or players responsible for the unapproved or inaccurate event title(s) will be so notified and stated actions noted in "a" above will be implemented. If media source releases unapproved / inaccurate event title(s) without player(s) having direct input / influence to it, then no action will be taken against any player(s) and respective media source will be encouraged by the WPA APD to make a correction of title(s) as soon as possible.

Specific Title Note: All events recognized / approved by the WPA APD will have specific titles that should be used as the APD so promotes prior to, during, and after the event is completed. Specific "discipline" titles should be so noted in player bios / promotion formats (online or otherwise released); for example, WPA World "Special Arts" Champion, ACSISA Open "Masse" Champion, etc. When a "discipline name" is not included in the title AND the words "artistic pool" are included, it will be assumed that said title is for the "overall" event champion; for example WPA World Artistic Pool Champion, WPA Masters Artistic Pool Champion, Northeastern Open Artistic Pool Champion, etc.

b) Player(s) may not participate in any event of an "artistic" nature during the same period that a WPA APD recognized Artistic Pool event is taking place, unless the player(s) has written consent from the WPA APD. **A minimum of 25% of player's current posted WPA World Artistic Pool ranking points will be deducted as a penalty to a violation of this point.**

Note: The WPA APD will use due diligence when scheduling an "artistic pool" event so that it does not schedule an event at the same time as another event of an "artistic" nature that may have already been scheduled by someone and released to the public / player database. If the WPA APD finds out that there is no other event scheduled on the date(s) it wants to run its own event, the APD will proceed with its own event via a public / player database release. Once the APD has released its own event dating, the "b" point above will be in effect since it will be easy to justify the specific timeline for any event scheduled in relation to another.

Player Code Of Conduct procedure for handling any violations / penalties:

- a) Any and all alleged violations must be brought to the attention of Mark Dimick, President of the WPA APD within 2 weeks of date(s) of incident(s) for follow up review by the APD board. Alleged violation(s) will be considered null and void if review process is not initiated within 2 weeks. A final decision by the APD Board and any penalties assessed will take place within 4 weeks from the initial date of the violation(s) / incident(s).
- b) A majority vote by the WPA APD will determine if player(s) are in violation of the player Code of Conduct. The player(s) involved in the violation(s) may present their side of any issue to the WPA APD board members via appropriate communications.
- c) If the player(s) are found to have violated a point(s) of this agreement, the WPA APD board will discuss / decide what disciplinary action is to be taken. Player(s) involved in the violation(s) will not be a part of this “penalty stage” discussion.
- d) In all cases, a majority vote by the WPA APD is required. If there is a tie, the vote will be considered to be in favor of the player(s) involved in violation and no action will be taken.
- e) For all violations, the WPA APD board will have the final say in any penalty that applies to a particular ruling. Decisions made by WPA APD board are final.

General Guidelines / Statements For Player Code Of Conduct:

- 1) The ethical behavior of each event player is essential to maintaining confidence and trust within the public domain, the player base, and all entities associated with sport promotions for Artistic Pool around the world. This player Code of Conduct document emphasizes that all players act “professional” and are resolved to uphold the legal obligations and ethical ideals of the overall sport movement.
- 2) All players have the right to demand fair and courteous behavior. Players should not tolerate irate or otherwise disrespectful behavior from anyone. If any player feels as though he or she has been treated badly, he or she should document the situation and present it to the WPA APD board for follow up and resolution as needed.
- 3) Players are expected to value courtesy, honesty, diversity, tolerance, equity, and dignity at their highest levels. All players must behave respectfully and professionally in all interactions with the public at large, the entire player database, and all associated sport entities with Artistic Pool. Constructive criticism is always welcome; however, discriminatory, offensive, intimidating, humiliating and otherwise disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. The WPA APD will carefully review perceived negativity before any action is taken as a violation incident of this Code Of Conduct.
- 4) Actions that enhance the image of Artistic Pool are highly encouraged. All players should make every effort to cooperate with and support fellow players in this endeavor.
- 5) Anyone that has disciplinary actions taken against him or her in regard to this player Code Of Conduct document agrees to have no legal recourse against the WPA APD (in full or in part).
- 6) Anyone wanting to enter a WPA APD approved / recognized event will be sent a copy of the player Code of Conduct document. He / she will automatically be subject to full document content adherence upon entry intent. Email sending and receipt of this document will initiate confirmation for such.
- 7) Players will also be required to sign the WPA APD approved Code Of Conduct document at the event venue site prior to the start of the first round.

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