



Snooker & Billiards Ireland

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## SBI INTERMEDIATE RANKING TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Only players who are citizens of the Republic of Ireland or persons who have been resident for more than one year are eligible to play in Intermediate Tournaments and must be registered members of SBI to compete in any Intermediate Tournament.

2. Guidelines for eligibility to play:

1. Any player who finished in the top 10 on the senior rankings in last 3 seasons
2. Current and former Irish Amateur Champions in last 15 seasons
3. Current and former members of the WPBSA main tour players
4. Current and former Irish Senior Champions in last 3 seasons (over 40s)
5. Former Amateur Player with 2 or more caps
6. Former Intermediate Champion in last 3 Seasons

Players in categories may apply to SBI to play in Intermediates in writing. (Email is acceptable).

3. The Committee will determine the entry fee prior to the start of each season. All entries must be submitted on line through the online section of the website [www.sbireland.ie](http://www.sbireland.ie). Entries must be received no later than 1pm on the Thursday prior to commencement of tournament.

4. Neat dress is essential for all matches, e.g. trousers and long sleeved one-coloured shirt, buttoned at the wrist and waistcoat. Official SBI polo shirts are permitted. Jeans, tee shirts, jumpers or sneakers are not acceptable. Any player not conforming to this rule may be disqualified and will forfeit his/her entry fee. The Tournament Director shall determine the quality of dress. Waistcoats must be worn for all matches. International waistcoats are not permissible.

5. All matches are the best of five frames.

6. Competitors must identify themselves to the Tournament Director at Control Desk prior to commencement of match. At the match time, the names of players will be called; a table will be allocated subject to availability. Any player not at the Control Desk at the time appointed for the match will forfeit one frame for being 15 minutes late or part thereof and one frame every five minutes thereafter. This penalty will apply even when no table is available.



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7. The Prize Fund will be dependent on number of entries.

70% of income paid out in prize money  
Host Club €4 per entry (minimum €50)  
TD - €80 + travel per tournament  
Referee - €30 + travel per tournament  
Winner - 40%  
Runner-up 20%  
2 x semi-finalists - 10% each.  
High break €50 if available

8. Ranking points will be awarded for each match won, a bye or a walkover, provided always that the player plays in subsequent rounds of the tournament.

Ranking points will be awarded as follows:

100 points for Winner  
75 points for Runner-up  
60 points for beaten Semi-finalists  
50 points for beaten quarter-finalists 40 points for Last 16  
30 points for Last 32  
20 points for Last 64  
10 points for Last 128

Merit points will be awarded for every frame you win by, for example. For a 3-0 win = 3 points

For a 3-1 win = 2 points

For a 3-2 win = 1 point

9. An Intermediate Championship will be held at the end of the season after the final Intermediate Ranking Tournament. Winner will receive perpetual trophy.

10. All players must abide by the Constitution and Rules of Snooker & Billiards Ireland. By signing the Player Registration Form, all players understand that Drug Testing can be carried out at any time and consent to this. SBI competitions are subject to the Sports Ireland Anti-Doping Rules.

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