

# The European Billiards & Snooker Association Coaching Foundation

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**EBSA**

**COACHING COURSE**

**IN BULGARIA**

**WITH PJ**

**NOLAN**



**SEPTEMBER**

**17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>**

**2026**

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## Coaching Course in Bulgaria with PJ Nolan

The European Billiards & Snooker Association Coaching Foundation have just announced an EBSA Coaching Course will be held during the 2026 EBSA Snooker Championships in Bulgaria from the 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2026.

The EBSA Coaching structure was set up to qualify a network of highly qualified snookers coaches throughout Europe and at present we have 116 active coaches who are approved by their own NGB spreading the word all across Europe. EBSA Head of Coaching PJ Nolan from the Republic of Ireland will hold the course.

### Would you like to attend a Course?

If you would like to attend this coaching course, you need to ask your NGB to nominate you in writing to the secretary of the EBSA and complete the nomination form.

Only NGB approved coaches can become EBSA coaches. Once approval is received back from the EBSA you must then arrange payment of €250.00 to the EBSA to secure your place.

### The Course fee

The Course are for the maximum of 10 persons. The number of courses held will be determine by the number of people paying the fee to do the courses. The cost per person is €250.00 and this includes training and if you bring a USB you can get all the files from the course plus you receive your EBSA polo shirt and coaching card.

During this Course the WPBSA will hold a free Safeguarding and Child Protection seminar developed by the WPBSA through its partnerships with UK Coaching and the NSPCC.

Only prepaid people will be accepted for the course and only a maximum of eight people will be on each course. The duration of the course will be from 10am-5pm each day. This payment needs to be sent directly to the EBSA. The EBSA will advise you how to send payment.

### Course Aim

There are a number of aims we would like to achieve during this EBSA training course:

- Day 1: Role of Coach, Techniques, Demonstration of Shots, Good Coach v Bad Coach.
- Day 2: Training Programs, Analysis of a player, Use of technology.
- Day 3: Written Exam, Planning Session, Practical Exam on the table and plan the probation period for your homework assignments.

(During Course a WPBSA Seminar - Safeguarding and Child Protection Seminar will be held)



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This will give you a small insight into how EBSA will train the coaches. It will also give the NGB's information to achieve a professional coaching structure within their own country.

The EBSA hopes that a Coaching foundation will be set up in each of the European member countries which will help to spread the awareness and availability of coaching which in turn, will promote interest and participation in each country. This will go a long way towards cementing snooker's future within Europe.

The EBSA Coaching foundation will aim to offer each country a consistency of high class coach training and this accreditation to the EBSA will prove to be something that all coaches will be proud to have achieved.

## The EBSA Course will:

- Give you the tools and techniques required to become a snooker coach accredited to an EBSA standard
- If you are an existing coach, adding to any existing tools and techniques to allow you to efficiently train players to an EBSA accredited standard
- Help you develop a training program structure for players of all levels
- Give you confidence to form a successful coaching structure within your own country
- Once you have successfully completed the course, which will include some intensive training, you will be offered the opportunity to become an EBSA accredited coach.
- During the EBSA course it is hoped we will learn from each other, knitting together our ideas and methods so that we end up as a team of coaches, rather than a group of individuals

## Three steps to attend the course

1. Ask your own National Governing Body to write to the EBSA nominating you to attend the course and train to become an EBSA Coach.
2. Complete the EBSA nomination and WPBSA forms that is attached and email it to EBSA Chairman Maxime Cassis [maximecassis@gmail.com](mailto:maximecassis@gmail.com) with a C/C PJ Nolan [pjcoach147@hotmail.com](mailto:pjcoach147@hotmail.com)
3. Once you receive confirmation from the EBSA. Arrange payment of €250.00 to the EBSA

The first eight confirmed coaches can only attend this EBSA course but if large numbers are interested a second course date can be arranged. I am sure everyone will enjoy the journey of becoming an accredited EBSA Coach.

For more Information on EBSA Coaching click on [www.ebsa.tv](http://www.ebsa.tv)



# The European Billiards & Snooker Association work alongside the WPBSA



**The EBSA course has now been accredited by the WPBSA and is equivalent to the WPBSA Level 1 Course.**

A session has been added to the EBSA Courses at all European Championships to offer the opportunity to any qualified EBSA Coach to attend a seminar with WPBSA Head of Coaching Chris Lovell. This seminar will include the Safeguarding and Child Protection training developed by the WPBSA through its partnerships with UK Coaching and the NSPCC.

The WPBSA have also announced that this one-day seminar will now be available online for all current and new EBSA Coaches to avail of this accredited Course.

This means that any EBSA coach who attends this seminar will be accredited as the equivalent to the WPBSA Level 1 Course and allow any EBSA Coach to enter the WPBSA Coaching Programme at Level 2 if they wanted.



*Accredited courses will receive equivalent stats to the Level 1 WPBSA Snooker Coach qualification, with successful coaches becoming eligible to progress to the 1st4sport Level 2 and Level 3 courses, subject to the entry criteria of each course.*