

## **WSF & PSA Satellite Tour**

In partnership, WSF and PSA are integrating sanctioned world, regional, national and junior tournaments into the PSA World Rankings, designed to create a pathway for up-and-coming players to join the professional circuit.

### **9.1 Category of Tournaments**

The following tournaments fall within the WSF & PSA Satellite Tour:

- WSF National Championships
- WSF World and Regional Junior Championships
- WSF National Junior Open
- WSF National Junior Championships
- PSA Satellite tournaments

#### **9.1.1 WSF National Championships**

All WSF National Championships tournaments are entitled to register with PSA free of charge. Entry into these men's and women's tournaments must be open to any citizen or resident of the country, as allowed by the eligibility rules of the host WSF member.

There are no prize money restrictions for this level of tournament.

Note: Only one WSF National Championship may be registered per country, per division, per 52-rolling weeks. WSF National Championships men and women's divisions may be registered separately if not held together, and it is not a requirement that both divisions are held and registered.

##### **9.1.1.2 Eligibility to Play**

Entries are determined by the national federation hosting the tournament.

#### **9.1.2 WSF World and Regional Junior Championships**

WSF World and Regional Junior Championships will be registered free of charge as WSF World or Regional Junior Championships as appropriate (U17 and U19) e.g. European Junior Championships, Asian Junior Championships etc. Other age groups may be run alongside these age groups, but points are only available for U17 and U19 categories and will not register additional age groups. There are no prize money restrictions for this level of tournament.

##### **9.1.2.1 Eligibility to Play**

WSF World and Regional Junior Championships must be open to any junior player. All players competing must have a WSF SPIN membership.

To play in a junior tournament, the player must be under 19 on the final day of the tournament (U19 category) or under 17 on the final day of the tournament (U17 category).

#### **9.1.3 WSF National Junior Open**

All WSF National Junior Open tournaments are entitled to register with PSA free of charge (U17 and U19).

There are no prize money restrictions for this level of tournament.

Only one WSF National Junior Open may be registered per country, per division, per 52-rolling weeks. Note: U17 and U19 tournaments may be registered separately if not held together, and it is not a requirement that both age groups are held and registered.

#### **9.1.3.1 Eligibility to Play**

WSF National Junior Opens must be open to any junior player. All players competing must have a WSF SPIN membership.

To play in a junior tournament, the player must be under 19 on the final day of the tournament (U19 category) or under 17 on the final day of the tournament (U17 category).

#### **9.1.4 WSF National Junior Championships**

All WSF National Junior Championships are entitled to register with PSA free of charge (U17 and U19).

There are no prize money restrictions for this level of tournament.

##### **9.1.4.1 Eligibility to Play**

Entries are determined by the national federation hosting the tournament.

To play in a junior tournament, the player must be under 19 on the final day of the tournament (U19 category) or under 17 on the final day of the tournament (U17 category).

#### **9.1.5 PSA Satellite Tournament**

PSA Satellite tournaments must feature a draw with minimum prize money of \$1,000 for men and \$1000 for women, and a maximum purse of \$2,999. It is not a requirement that both a men's and women's division are held.

The registration fee is \$100 (+ VAT where applicable) regardless of whether one or both divisions are held.

These tournaments must be managed by a local promoter that has been recognised as being in good standing with the PSA. PSA reserves the right to refuse or remove sanctioning of a PSA Satellite Tournament at their discretion. Unless otherwise agreed, PSA do not require the endorsement of a national federation for a PSA Satellite tournament.

##### **9.1.5.1 Eligibility to Play**

Both PSA and non-PSA players are eligible to compete in PSA Satellite tournaments.

PSA Satellite tournaments must have a clear, transparent and inclusive entry process, disclosed to PSA on request. Tournaments may charge an entry fee for PSA players up to a maximum of \$30 per tournament. PSA members may compete in as many PSA Satellite tournaments as they please but may only claim points if the tournament falls within their PSA membership eligibility. All PSA members competing must have a WSF SPIN membership.

Any PSA player receives priority according to ranking on entering a PSA Satellite tournament, as long as it is prior to the closing date. PSA Satellite promoters can have wildcard spots for non-PSA players in their event entry list, as per the below breakdown:

16 draw – 2 places

24 draw – 4 places

32 draw – 6 spaces

## 9.2 Registration Procedure

All WSF & PSA Satellite Tour tournaments must submit a completed registration form at least 4 weeks (28 days) prior to the start of the tournament. PSA Satellite tournaments must also complete payment of the registration fee by this deadline; all other tournaments are registered free of charge on submission of the complete registration form.

The PSA offers discounts for multiple PSA Satellite tournament registrations. These are as follows:

- Registration of a minimum of three tournaments 10% discount
- Registration of a minimum of six tournaments 15% discount
- Registration of a minimum of nine tournaments 20% discount

## 9.3 Delivery

All WSF & PSA Satellite Tour tournaments are run by WSF members or sanctioned independent promoters. The PSA will provide administrative support to all tournaments to ensure that the tournaments will count towards the PSA World Rankings.

The minimum draw size is 16 players. A tournament should, wherever possible, have a complete draw. Tournaments should run over a minimum of two days. Tournaments may use whichever format they like (recommended: knock-out, round robin or monrad), however this must be made clear at the point of player entry and cannot be changed after the entry closing deadline.

Finishing positions must be able to be determined as follows to meet the PSA criteria:

Winner; Runner-up; [3/4]; [5/8]; [9/16]; [17/32]; [33/64]

Tournaments are required to use the current PSA World Rankings for seeding participants when making the draw. In special circumstances, a dispensation on this rule may be granted on request, to allow national rankings to be used.

The draw must be made according to the random draw method outlined in Appendix VI, and should be sent, along with the seeding list, to PSA at least five days before the tournament commences.

## 9.4 Prize Money

PSA Satellite tournaments have a minimum prize money of \$1,000 and a maximum purse of \$2,999. No tournament on the WSF & PSA Satellite Tour is permitted in any way to offer player guarantees or incentives other than prize money. All other tournaments within this category do not have any prize money restrictions.

The tournament can determine the prize money breakdown and payment method. However, they must inform PSA and all entrants before the tournament commences of how the prize money is to be distributed.

Non-payment of prize money by a tournament may mean suspension from running WSF & PSA tournaments indefinitely.

## 9.5 Points

Points are awarded based on the schedule in *Appendix X*.

Points from WSF & PSA Satellite Tour tournaments will not be automatically added to the player's PSA World Ranking and must be claimed separately via the members' secure site within the same week in which the tournament ended. To be eligible to claim points, the player must hold the correct PSA membership.

## 9.6 Tournament Conditions

The tournament promoter must supply each player, on application, with the details of any rules and regulations of the tournament. These details should clearly state if there is an entry fee, amount of prize money offered and breakdown, draw dates, draw format, closing deadlines for entries and any other relevant information.

Tournaments must supply PSA with a copy of the draw, including seeding, at least one week prior to the start of the tournament and full results within 24 hours of completion of the tournament. All tournaments must provide results and finishing positions in the format outlined by PSA to enable points to be automatically awarded where applicable. Integration is possible with the following software: Ranked In, SportyHQ, Tournament Software, Club Locker

All courts used must adhere to the specifications and guidelines imposed by the World Squash Federation. Further information can be found via the following link [WSF Specification for Squash Court](#) and also on the WSF official website.

Tournaments must use the Dunlop pro squash ball as this is the exclusive ball of the PSA Tour, unless otherwise advised, PSA can provide tournaments with Dunlop balls and will only charge for the cost of shipment.

Tournaments must adhere to the *Tournament Commitment* set out within this Tour Rule Book.

## 9.7 Tournament and Promoter Responsibility

The tournament promoter agrees to be responsible for the organisation, administration, security and safety of the tournament's venue and to ensure that the venue complies in all respects with applicable health and safety laws and regulations.

The tournament promoter agrees to act in good faith and in the best interests of the PSA and its members and in the best interests of the game of squash at all times. This includes, but is not limited to, understanding the importance of *PSA's Safeguarding Policy, Code of General Conduct & Ethics, PSA Anti-Corruption Code and WSF rules for the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions* and *PSA's Data Protection and Data Processor* policies and ensuring these are implemented and understood by all tournament personnel.

The tournament promoter agrees to abide by the PSA Tour Rule Book in all respects and by the final decisions made by the PSA Chief Executive, Chief Operating Officer..

In the absence of the above, the promoter-of-record, as determined by signature of the tournament contract form, is authorised to make any and all necessary on-site judgements, changes and decisions regarding the effective presentation of a PSA Tour tournament. However, he or she should make every effort to contact the PSA office before making a decision regarding PSA rules and regulations.

The tournament promoter shall, during the course of a tournament, make a note of any incident that he or she believes constitutes a violation of the PSA Tour Rule Book. The tournament promoter shall also, at the conclusion of the tournament, furnish a written report to the PSA office, regarding any such occurrence. This must be submitted to PSA within seven days of the conclusion of a tournament.

## 9.8 Code of Conduct

The PSA Code of Conduct shall apply to all WSF & PSA Satellite Tournaments. Specifically, this includes penalties for non-evidenced late withdrawals\* and non-appearance; disciplinary zeroes for these events will count towards a player's ranking as normal.

\*Medical zeros will not apply for Satellite events; no penalty will be awarded for evidenced medical withdrawals.

## 9.9 Summary

Category	Registration fee	Eligibility / age	Full PSA membership required*	SPIN required*	Prize money
World / Regional Junior Championships^	Free	Entries from: Worlds: WSF Full Member Nations Regional: Regional Member Nations	Optional	Required for all entries in all age groups	As decided by WSF / Regions
National Championship (Senior)	Free	Decided by the National Federation	Optional	Optional	Optional
National Junior Championship^	Free	Decided by the National Federation / age categories	Optional	Optional	Optional
National Junior Open^	Free	International entry / age categories	Optional	Required for all entries in U19/17 age groups. Other ages optional	Optional
Satellite Tournaments	\$100 (+VAT)	International entry	Optional	Optional	Minimums: \$1,000 Maximum: \$2,999

^Only U17 and U19 age categories are registered and eligible for points

\*PSA membership and SPIN are required by all players for all tournaments if they wish to earn PSA World Ranking points

## Appendix X: PSA World Ranking Points

Tournament Level	PSA World Ranking Points							
PSA World Tour	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	Qual.
PSA World Championships	3175	2090	1270	780	475	290	177.5	
PSA World Tour Finals*	<i>Undefeated bonus</i>			150				
	<i>Winner</i>			1000				
	<i>Runner-Up</i>			550				
	<i>Semi-Finalist</i>			200				
	<i>Round-Robin Match Win</i>			150				
PSA World Tour Platinum	2750	1810	1100	675	410	250	152.5	
PSA World Tour Gold	1750	1150	700	430	260	160		
PSA World Tour Silver	1225	805	490	300	182.5	112.5		
PSA World Tour Bronze	875	575	350	215	130	80		
Challenger Events	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	Qual.
Challenger 30	525	345	210	130	78	47,5		
Challenger 20	350	230	140	85	51	31,5		
Challenger 15	250	162.5	100	62.5	37.5	22.5		
Challenger 12	200	130	80	50	30	18		
Challenger 9	150	97.5	60	37.5	22.5	13.5		
Challenger 6	100	65	40	25	15	9		
Challenger 3	65	40	25	15	9	5,5		
Satellite Events: Senior	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	Qual.
Regional Championships	250	162.5	100	62.5	37.5	22.5	12.5	
National Championships	50	32.5	20	12.5	7.5	4.5		
Satellite Event	30	19.5	12	7.5	4.5	2.75		
Satellite Events: U23	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	65-128
World Championships	200	130	80	50	30	18	10	5
Regional Championships	100	65	40	25	15	9	5	
National Open	40	26	16	10	6	3.5		
National Championships	20	13	8	5	3			
Satellite Events: U19	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	65-128
World Championships	100	65	40	25	15	9	5	2.5
Regional Championships	50	32.5	20	12.5	7.5	4.5	2.25	
National Open	20	13	8	5	3	1.75		
National Championships	10	6,5	4	2.5	1.5			
Satellite Events: U17	1	2	3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	Qual.
World Championships	25	16.25	10	6.25	3.75	2.25		
Regional Championships	15	9.75	6	4	2.5	1.5		
National Open	10	6.5	4	2.5	1.5	0.75		
National Championships	5	3.25	2	1.25	0.75			

\*Points earned at the PSA World Tour Finals are effectively 'bonus' points simply added to the existing points total used to calculate the player's ranking. Points earned as a result of a round robin match will apply to all players. For players who progress beyond the round robin stages, group stage points will be added to any additional points earned by finishing position. The PSA World Tour Finals will not count as a tournament played.