

# PLAYER GUIDE

PREDATOR GERMANY WOMEN'S OPEN 2022

Predator Pro Billiard Series



#### WHAT IS THE PREDATOR PRO BILLIARD SERIES?

The Predator Pro Billiard Series, is a series of open/pro events held outside the United States to provide more opportunity for professional and aspiring pool players to compete in high-quality events, earn more income, sharpen their skills, and earn their way into the \$100,000 added Predator World Women's 10-Ball Championship held each year by Predator and the World Pool-Billiards Association.

All Predator Pro Billiard Series events play 10-ball, the game that best allows professional pool players to showcase their talent. The format has been devised to create drama and excitement for the fans. For more detail on the format, see the "Rules & Regulations" section.

We believe that synergy between amateur and professional pool players is critical to the growth of the sport. Amateur pool players want to watch the best and professional pool players need a fan base. The goal is to organize worldwide events that are combined with various amateur events to bring both worlds together.

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**Dates**: June 14-18, 2022

**Entry Deadline**: June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Players Meeting: June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Tournament Start: June 14th, 2022

**Finals:** June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Entry Fee**: € 290, - + Transaction fees

**Discipline**: 10-ball

Rules: WPA 10-Ball Rules

**Additional Rules:** See Rules & Regulations

Race length: Set System

**Bracket**: Stage 1 - 64 player Double Elimination

Stage 2 - 16 player Single Elimination

#### **PRIZE MONEY**

**Prize money**: €63,800 based on Full Field

#### Breakdown:

#	Amount		Total
1	€ 20,000	1	€ 20,000
2	€ 11,000	1	€ 11,000
3	€ 5,500	2	€ 11,000
5	€ 2,750	4	€ 11,000
9	€ 1,350	8	€ 10,800
	Total:	16 players	€63,800

The winner of the event will receive a spot for the Predator World Women's 10-Ball Championship 2022.

#### **PLAYERS MEETING**

There will be a mandatory players' meeting on **Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 19.00** in the hotel. The meeting will be conducted by the Tournament Director. Any player not present may be replaced by a player on the waiting list at the tournament's sole discretion without refund.



## **REGISTRATION & PAYMENT DETAILS**

Players may register online at <a href="www.ProBilliardSeries.com">www.ProBilliardSeries.com</a>. Each player must sign into the online registration system (or create an account if they don't have one), register themselves and accept the Player Agreement. Third parties may not register another player. No call-in registrations accepted.

#### **VERIFY YOUR REGISTRATION**

The complete list of players can be found near the bottom of each event webpage. If you have already registered for the event, verify that your name appears in the Player List. Technical glitches can happen and it's your responsibility to confirm your registration.

#### **PAYMENT**

The participant must complete his payment in the system to guarantee his spot. This can be done while signing up for the event or by logging in afterwards and following the payment procedure. Failure to follow this procedure of delaying on the actual payment, may result in the spot given to the next participant in line.

#### **REFUNDS**

When you register for a Pro Billiard Series event, you are making a commitment to the event, the event organizers, the fans, event sponsors, your sponsors and yourself. **The refund request deadline is one week prior to the event start date.** Refunds are subject to an €20, - refund request fee. Refunds requested prior to the refund request deadline must be emailed to <a href="mailto:PBS@PredatorGroup.com">PBS@PredatorGroup.com</a> and will be processed after the conclusion of the event. No refunds will be granted after the refund request deadline. **Registration for one event is not transferrable to another event.** 

#### COVID-19

Although it is impossible to predict exactly what COVID-19 restrictions may be in place at the time of the event, players should be prepared to adhere to all safety rules & regulations put into place by organization, the host venue, accommodations, state government or local ordinances. Face coverings, social distancing and temperature checks are just a few examples of possible safety precautions that could be in effect.

Players accept this when they register and refusal to follow safety rules and regulations is not sufficient justification for a refund.

#### **AIRPORT**

All international players and companions are advised to fly over the following airport:

#### **Bremen Airport (BRE)**

#### https://www.bremen-airport.com/en/

With almost 30 non-stop destinations in many countries in Europe and North Africa, Bremen Airport ranks among Germany's key international commercial airports. Bremen Airport is Europe's fastest airport for departures.

#### TRANSPORTATION FROM THE AIRPORT

We suggest that all participants use a taxi to go from the airport to the hotel.

Alternatively, Tram line 6 departs every 6 to 10 minutes to Universität Bremen via Domsheide and Hauptbahnhof. The ride takes 11 minutes to the city center, 16 minutes to the central station and 30 minutes to the university.

The airport can be reached via motorway A1 and the yet only partly completed city motorway A281 which crosses the city of Bremen.

#### **VISA**

Please mail PBS@PredatorGroup.com for any travel issues in terms of visa or documentation.

#### **PLAN YOUR TRAVEL CAREFULLY**

We encourage you to allow plenty of time before and after the event for travel. The organization is not responsible for airline delays, lost luggage, traffic jams or any other travel-related issue that could cause you to miss the Players Meeting and lose your spot. Matches are not delayed or accelerated to accommodate travel issues. Therefore, you are advised to arrive no later than the day before the event begins and leave no sooner than the day after the event ends.

#### **COVID 19**

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We advise all participants to be well prepared before travel. Read and follow all the precautions that are in place in the countries that you pass through.



**Location:** ATLANTIC Hotel

An der Galopprenbahn

Ludwig-Roselius-Allee 2

Bremen

Germany

**Phone:** +49 (0) 1806 500 555

Website: Click Here

#### **PRICING**

**Double:** € 145, - including breakfast / night

**Single:** € 115, - including breakfast / night

**Tourist Tax (mandatory):** 5% of the net room rate

#### **RESERVATIONS**

The rooms can be accessed using the following contact options:

• Telephone: +49 (0) 1806 500 555

• Email: reservierung.ahg@atlantic-hotels.de

Please mention the following code while booking the room for your stay: **GermanOpen** 

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We advise all participants to be well prepared before they arrive at the hotel. Read and follow all the precautions that are in place in your accommodation.



## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL**

The standard WPA Rules & Regulations will be in use with the following exceptions and additions:

#### **ADDITIONAL RULES**

- The 10-ball does not have to be the last ball pocketed. If the 10-ball is pocketed early as part of a legal and called shot, it is a game win.
- If a player pockets the 10-Ball, and it is the last remaining ball in play, and the player commits a foul in the process, it is loss of game.
- If an illegal break occurs, the incoming player has the option to:
  - o Re-rack and break, or
  - o Require the other player to re-rack and break

#### **ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

- Players may not use their cell phones during a match.
- Other electronic devices used for communication are not allowed during the match.
- They must be put away, out of sight and on silent mode during the match.

#### **SHOTCLOCK**

- There is a 30-second shot clock on the feature table only. For the other tables, the referee(s) will monitor and enforce the WPA slow play rule if necessary.
  - o Extended 60-second shot clock after the break
  - o One (1) 30-second extension per game
  - o The shot clock begins when all balls have come to rest, and the opposing player sits in his or her chair

#### **FORMAT**

#### STAGE 1

- 8 players based on the players' Fargo ratings. Random draw for the remaining players.
- Double elimination to the final 16 players (8 on winners' side & 8 on the one-loss side)
- Two sets, best of seven (7) games. If the set score is tied at 1-1 after two sets, a spot shot shootout will determine the winner.

#### STAGE 2

- Final 16 players from Stage 1. A new draw will determine the bracket placement (undefeated player vs one-loss side player). The order of the undefeated and one-loss players will be random.
- Single elimination
- Two sets, best of seven (7) games. If the set score is tied at 1-1 after two sets, a spot shot shootout will determine the winner.

#### **BREAKING**

- Winner breaks. Lag for the opening break of the first set. The loser of the lag breaks first in the second set.
- Referee racks on all tables opponents may not approach or inspect the rack

#### **SCHEDULE**

- If a player is not present at the posted match time, the player should notify the Tournament Director.
  - The Tournament Director will penalize the player one game and place the player "on the clock."
  - The Tournament Director will subsequently penalize the player one game for every 5 minutes, until he is present.
  - o If the player is not present after 15 minutes of being placed "on the clock," it is a forfeit.
- No open practice is allowed at all on the feature table. The two players scheduled on the feature table may shoot one rack each prior to the match.
- Between matches, players may practice with alternate racks until match time.
- If a table does not become available until match time or later, players may shoot one rack each prior to beginning the match.

#### **SHOOTOUT**

If a set score is tied at 1-1 after two sets, a shootout will determine the winner. The goal is to pocket the object ball in its designated pocket. To determine a winner the following system will be used:

- The winner of the lag at the start of the match decides the starting player of the shootout, alternating turns thereafter. One turn by each player is an inning.
- The starting player determines the starting side from which the shootout will begin. Sides will alternate thereafter for each inning.
- Players will shoot four (4) innings in alternating turns. Both players get an equal number of turns.
- The player with the most points (i.e. balls pocketed) after four innings wins.
- If both players are tied after four innings, the order of play will remain until a player reaches a score that cannot be tied by his opponent in the same inning. This is called "Sudden Death."
  - In Sudden Death, the cue ball must be moved one diamond behind the head string.
- Shot clock extensions may not be used during a shootout.

For a shot to be considered legal, the following rules in terms of position and placement must be executed:

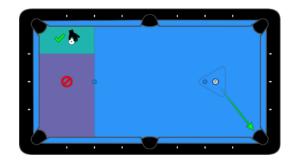
• The 10-Ball will be used as the object ball during the entire shootout. The position of the object ball corresponds to its original position in a standard 10-Ball rack.

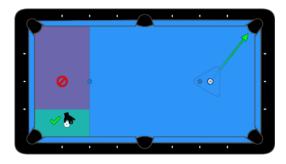


- The same rules of racking apply to the spotting of the 10-ball during the shootout:
  - o Players spot their own 10-ball. Opponents may not approach or inspect the ball.
  - Referee spots the 10-ball on the TV table players may not approach or inspect the object ball or ask for a re-spot.
- There are two zones designated for the shootout, the left and right side, shown below.
  The player must place the cue ball within the designated zone and pocket the 10-ball in the opposite corner pocket as shown below.
- Players must alternate the zone after each inning.
- The zones can be recognized according to the following parameters:
  - o The left side is on the left side of the table while facing the object ball.
  - o The right side is on the right side of the table while facing the object ball.

#### Regulation Shootout (Left Side)

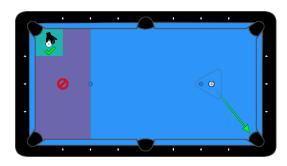
#### Regulation Shootout (Right Side)

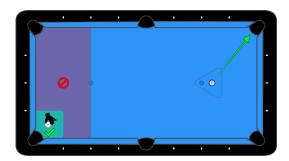




Sudden Death Shootout (Left Side)

Sudden Death Shootout (Right Side)





In addition to the standard WPA rules and regulations, additional rules that are in place that determine whether an inning is considered legal are as following:

- The execution of the shot must be done within the timeframe that has been determined. This can be based on a shot clock ruling or the decision of the acting referee.
- The object ball must be pocketed in its designated pocket. If the object ball is pocketed in any other pocket, it will be considered as a miss.
- A shot that includes the rails, being or resembling a bank or a kick, will be considered a miss.

#### OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT EQUIPMENT

- Predator Apex 9ft Pro Table
- Predator Aero Rack
- Predator Arcadia Reserve Cloth
- Predator Arcos II Reserve Billiard Balls
- Predator Arena Lights by Lucid Sports
- Kamui Bridges??
- Kamui Chalk ??

#### APPROVED CLOTHING

- Dress pants or casual slacks.
- Polo or button-down style shirt with sleeves, fold over or vertical collar. Button-down shirts may be worn unbuttoned if they are worn with a neat and tasteful undergarment. Button-down shirts worn without an undergarment may only be unbuttoned one button below the neck button or as deemed appropriate by the Tournament Director. Shirts should not be excessively loose or revealing.
- All footwears must be dark color, close-toe and normal in style and wear. Shoes with laces must have the laces properly tied. Dark color tennis or walking shoes are acceptable but must be clean and neat.

#### **PROHIBITED CLOTHING**

- Athletic wear of any kind, including but not limited to sweats, swimwear, jogging suits, uniforms, jerseys or any type of pants with contrasting stripes not associated with formal wear.
- Shorts of any kind, regardless of apparent length. Pants must be normal in respect to the appropriate rise in relation to the length of garment and may not be excessively baggy or loose fitting.
- Overalls, coveralls, jeans, hats, headphones or earpieces (unless medical need, proof required)

#### **LOGOS & PATCHES**

Players may wear a maximum of three (3) logos on playing apparel ("player's logos"). All logos, including apparel brand logos, are included in this maximum of three (3) restriction. Logos may not exceed sixty-five (65) square centimeters. The player must submit to the organization), before his or her first match, samples of all sponsor logos for approval. The organization reserves the authority to disallow any sponsor logos for any reason, including but not limited to not submitting logo for approval or conflicting with any other event or broadcast sponsor. Additionally, the organization reserves the right to require any player to display event sponsor logos on the player's apparel in addition to the three (3) logos allowed.



## **BROADCAST INFORMATION**

This event will be broadcast live on the following platforms:

## ::kozoom

Beside internet websites publishing news, results or selling billiards equipment, Kozoom has built its reputation producing high quality streaming of many major Carom and Pool events worldwide. Kozoom developed a unique skill in billiards production with hundred hours of Live programs delivered to Eurosport and other major networks since 2005.

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Times and results will be visible on the website for all the participants and spectators to view.

Times and dates are subject to change and participants are advised to monitor the website for their next match.