



RFBYC Snooker Tournament 2026

Snooker Competition Rules – Player Overview

Objective

The aim of snooker is to score more points than your opponent by potting balls in the correct order.

The competition runs for 7 weeks. Starting from Monday, 15 June until Friday, 31 July players will play a Round Robin with 3 frames within their pool. The first two players of each pool will play the semi-finals on Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd of August. The Grand Finale will be played on Saturday 8th of August at 3.30 PM.

Ball Values

Ball	Points
Red	1
Yellow	2
Green	3
Brown	4
Blue	5
Pink	6
Black	7

- 15 red balls
- 6 coloured balls
- 1 white cue ball

Players use the cue ball to strike and pot the other balls.

Basic Gameplay

Correct Potting Order

Players must alternate between:

1. Potting a **Red**
2. Then potting a **Colour**

Sequence:

- Red → Colour → Red → Colour



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Important

- Coloured balls are replaced on their spots after being potted.
- Reds stay off the table once potted.

After All Reds Are Gone

The coloured balls must then be potted in this order:

1. Yellow
2. Green
3. Brown
4. Blue
5. Pink
6. Black

These colours are **not replaced** once potted.

Winner

Frame

- The player with the highest score wins the frame.
- The ranking is determined by the most frames won and the points collected over all the frames.

Round Robin

- The two people with the most frames won and the highest scores in total go to the semi-finals.
- For the semi-finals the two pools get mixed.

Semi-finals

- The person with the highest score within the frame wins the semi-finale.
- The winners of each semi-final will commence to The Grand Finale.

Grand Finale

- The person with the highest score wins the entire tournament.
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Fouls & Penalty Points

If a player commits a foul, the opponent receives penalty points.

Penalty points are:

- Minimum: 4 points
- Maximum: 7 points

The foul value is based on:

- The ball that should have been hit first
- OR the highest-value ball involved in the foul

Common fouls include:

- Missing the correct ball completely
- Hitting the wrong ball first
- Potting the cue ball (“in-off”)
- Knocking a ball off the table
- Touching balls with hand, clothing, or cue
- Double hitting the cue ball
- Push shots
- Jump shots

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Special 7-Point Fouls

These automatically result in 7 penalty points:

- Using a ball off the table
- Measuring distances with equipment
- Failing to nominate a colour when asked
- Playing at reds twice in a row illegally
- Serious unsporting behaviour

Your opponent receives:

- At least **4 points**
- Up to **7 points** depending on the foul

Example Fouls

Miss a Red

- Reds are “on”
- Player misses completely

Penalty: 4 points

Hit Blue First Instead of Red

- Reds are “on”
- Blue is hit first

Penalty: 5 points

Pot the Cue Ball While Black Is On

- Black is the correct ball
- Cue ball is potted

Penalty: 7 points

Hit Pink First When Yellow Is On

- Yellow should be hit first
- Pink is hit first

Penalty: 6 points