
Invitation to Bid for Hosting the


Blackball International 'Hawley World Cup' 2021 & 2023

Independent Promoter or Corporate version

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ALL RESPONSES TO -

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Blackball International is the World governing body for Blackball pool as recognised by The World Pool Billiard Association (WPA) and ultimately the International Olympic Committee. (IOC)

Blackball International has continental membership and its prime directive is to promote the game of Blackball Pool throughout the world.

Blackball International are proud to announce our new Team Tournament 'The Hawley World Cup'. This tournament will be in memory of the late Peter Hawley, the founder of Blackball and pioneer of Blackball International. It was Peter Hawley's incredible vision the created game of blackball as we know it today.

The tournament will be an 11 person team event made up of the following, 3 Men, 2 Ladies, 2 Under 23s, 2 Seniors 40 or over, 2 Masters 50 or over. Each team can have one reserve from each section but must play the above in each match.

This will be a team only event with no other events taking place.



We hope depending on the entries to play this in a group matches with the top six teams going through from 2 groups.

The top two from each group will go straight into the quarter finals to be joined by the winners from 3 v 6 and 4 v 5 from opposite groups.

These winners will then be drawn against the top two qualifying teams.

Scores as follows:

- 2 points for a win
- Frames For
- Results against same team if both the same.

All 11 frames to be played out on each group match.

Managers select their full team at the beginning and any player can play against anyone from the other team.

Entry fees will be 550 Euros per team. (50 Euros per player)

The prize fund will be made up from the entry fees to be paid to the Winners, Runners - up and Third place teams.

All entry fees will be paid out in prize money along with added prize money from the winning bid.



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Gold medals and the Hawley World Cup will be presented to the winning nation.

Silver medals to the runners - up and Bronze medals to the third place nation.



Blackball International requirements :

Blackball International invites bids from promoters, corporate bodies, cities or councils to host the event, prospective bidders are required to provide a written submission providing details of their bid demonstrating their ability to provide the facilities and infrastructure needed to meet the requirements of BI as detailed below.

Each bid should be put forward in a professional manner detailing the capabilities of the event organisers, outlining the details of how the event will be formatted, venue location of the Championships and available accommodation for players and officials.

The bid document or presentation should include as much information as is possible on the event.

Main playing arena - Level area with hard floor capable of supporting up to 16 no. pool tables weighing approximately 300kg each without movement.

The ability to suspend individual canopy lighting above each table or adequate venue lighting.



Table & Balls supply - Supply of 16 match quality tables all of the same brand/make and all covered in the same match clothed as agreed by with BI.

Playing balls to be Aramith Pro Cup

Event Staff -

The event must have the following staff, 1 Tournament Director and 2 top table staff.

1 senior Referee and 2 assistant referees.

1 table worker on site to look after all tables

Spectator Viewing -

Sufficient space around the playing area to accommodate both the players and spectators preferably with raised or balcony facility.

Competition Control -

Raised stage or raised platform to accommodate a 2 person “top Table” with a full view of all the playing area. Office facility located close to the top table equipped with Wi-Fi internet access and printer with a supply of ink for the duration of the championships.



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- Live Scoring - The venue is to have Wifi so that live scoring of matches can be available.
- The World Championships is run using an electronic scoring system which is provided by BI.
- Venue Facilities - Restaurant food area to supply hot food to both event staff and players. Suitable bar area for serving of drinks.
- TV Facilities - Event coverage live by Sky/Eurosport or suitable sports coverage provider. There must be external adjacent parking space suitable for truck based TV production unit will be required, if available.
- Streaming of the event is compulsory, especially if no live TV coverage is available.
- Full details of the proposed contracts with Stream/TV provider are to be submitted to BI with the bid.
- Once the winning bid is confirmed the signed Contract his must be provided to BI within 12 months prior to the event.
- Venue Location - Must be easily accessible to a major Airport that has international flights to major cities throughout the World.
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Accommodation -	Adequate Hotel Facilities for approx 150 competitors plus supporters within easy reach of the venue, shuttle transport if necessary
Staff payments -	All workers flights, accommodation and agreed payment to staff are the responsibility of the winning bidder, along with payment of the tables etc if shipping is required.
Proposed Drinking Ban -	Countries also need to be aware of the possibility of a proposed drinking ban for the arena being brought in at the AGM of 2020.

In additional to the above specific requirements your bid should include –

- Business Plan
- Financial Analysis including sponsorship income
- Project Plan timeline
- A detailed Profit and Loss report will be required to be submitted to BI no later than 3 months following the completion of the event.



The distribution of any sponsorship monies that Blackball International gain shall be at the sole discretion of Blackball International unless you identify in your bid any amounts that are only provided for a specific purpose i.e. for use for transportation of “Special Needs “competitors.

This is Blackball International version of a Mosconi Cup and we would hope that the winning bidder can get a national tv company involved in the event, not just streaming.

Once we know the nations taking part the event can be run over 4 days playing period, long weekend.

Blackball International have looked at all the sections and understand certain ones are not at this event.

The reason being is we would like to try and get as many nations taking part as we can and at this time not every nation has under 15s/u18s along with learning disabilities and wheelchair players.

We hope to add these sections as more nations develop Blackball through their country.

**Deadline for submission to
Blackball International**

30th SEPTEMBER 2020

Yours in Sport

Mark Cottingham

President of Blackball International

