

**Invitation to Bid for Hosting
the
Blackball International
World Championships
2022 & 2024**

Independent Promoter or Corporate version

JANUARY 2020

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.

Through its members Championships are held at a Continental level each two years but through Blackball International they all come together to compete in a World Championships, the most prestigious event in the calendar.

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.



Blackball International requirements :

- Main playing arena - level area of approximately 10,000sq.ft. (935sq.m) with hard floor capable of supporting up to 40 no. pool tables weighing approximately 300kg each without movement.
- The ability to suspend individual canopy lighting above each table or adequate venue lighting.
- Table & Ball supply - Supply of 40 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. Supply at least 4 practice tables all of the same brand/make as the match tables and again covered in the same cloth as agreed with BI. Balls again to be Aramith Pro Cup
- 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 4 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 -	<p>The venue is to have Wifi so that live scoring of matches can be available.</p> <p>The World Championships is run using an electronic scoring system which is provided by BI.</p>
Venue Facilities -	<p>Restaurant food area to supply hot food to both event staff and players. Suitable bar area for serving of drinks.</p>
TV Facilities -	<p>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.</p> <p>Streaming of the event is also required, 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.</p>
Venue Location -	<p>Must be easily accessible to a major Airport that has intercontinental flights to major cities throughout the World.</p>



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- Accommodation - Adequate Hotel Facilities for approx 500 competitors plus supporters within easy reach of the venue, shuttle transport if necessary
- 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 addition 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.

**Deadline for submission to
Blackball International**

30th SEPTEMBER 2020

Yours in Sport

Mark Cottingham
President of Blackball International

