2018 Frequently Asked Questions (and Answers!)

- Dealer Hotline – 702.777.6785
- General WSOP Information – 702.777.6777
- www.WSOP.com

Where is the WSOP tournament located?
The WSOP is located in the Pavilion, Brasilia and the Amazon Room in the Rio Convention area at the Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Where is the WSOP office?
The WSOP office is located across from the Amazon Room, adjacent to the WSOP Main Cage in the Tropical Room located in WSOP tournament area.

What are the WSOP tournament dates?
Registration, Live Action and Satellites begins on May 29th, 2018 at 9am and run until July 17th, 2018. The first open bracelet event is May 30th, 2018. The first day of the Main Event will begin on July 2nd, 2018. Please see full tournament schedule for dates of all other events.

How old do I have to be to play in the World Series of Poker?
Nevada Gaming Regulations require you to be at least 21 years of age on the day of the event in which you wish to start playing. The age requirement to participate in the Seniors Event is that you to be at least 50 years of age on the day of the event. The age requirement to participate in the Super Seniors Event is that you to be at least 60 years of age on the day of the event.

Where can I find information about the WSOP and Pre-Registration?
By visiting our website: www.wsop.com/2018/ or by visiting the tournament office at the World Series of Poker tournament area. 2018 Pre-Registration is scheduled to open on March 1st. This date is for both online registration and in-person registration at the Rio Main Cage.

When does Online-Registration online end?
Two weeks prior to the beginning of the event for which you are registering if you choose cashier’s check or wire as the method of payment. For events with buy-ins of $10,000 or less, Online-Registration is available until the close of registration of the event for which you are registering once you are verified through the WSOP FasTrac and use a credit card as the method of payment.

Once I have pre-registered online, how do I complete my Pre-Registration and receive my Tournament Entry Receipt and Seat Assignment?
For participants that registered online in advance, please proceed to the WSOP FasTrac / Total Rewards area in Rotunda to get verified and receive seat cards and receipts at least one hour prior to event start time. Online-registered participants must present current valid and unexpired photo identification (passport, driver’s license, state identification card, or military identification card) acceptable to Rio in person at the Tournament verification area to complete first time online-registrations. If the online method of payment was credit card, the exact card used must be presented at time of verification. Once participant has completed the verification process, participant can bypass the above process for future online registrations and can proceed to any WSOP FasTrac kiosk to print seat cards and receipts.

Am I guaranteed the starting day I choose if I Pre-Register?
Yes.

Will I receive confirmation after I Pre-Register?
Yes. We will send an email confirmation once the registration is processed.
Do I have to Pre-Register to play in WSOP?
No. You may sign up for any event in person at the Rio up until an event begins. Capacity is limited, making pre-registration a great option for players that want to guarantee themselves a seat into a specific event.

Will a Total Rewards Card be required for Tournament Play?
Yes. If you wish to pre-register and do not have a Total Rewards Card we will create an account for you.

How do I get a Total Rewards Card?
Visit any of our Caesars Entertainment Properties in the U.S., or by visiting the Total Rewards Desk in the WSOP Tournament Area, upon arrival at the Rio. A valid Photo ID will get you a Total Rewards Card in less than 5 minutes.

What Photo ID’s are acceptable?
The following forms of ID are acceptable:

**US RESIDENT:**
- Driver’s license or State issued Photo ID
- US Passport (A second form, an unexpired governmental ID verifying physical address such as a valid Driver’s License will also be required with this first form of ID).
- Passport card (A second form, an unexpired governmental ID verifying physical address such as a valid Driver’s License will also be required with this first form of ID).
- Military ID (A second form, an unexpired governmental ID verifying physical address such as a valid Driver’s License will also be required with this first form of ID).
- Permanent Resident Alien Card (Must say Permanent, if not must show Passport)

**ALL OTHER COUNTRIES:**
- Foreign passport – We can accept a current, non-expired passport (We will NOT accept passport cards, visa cards or consular ID) (A second form of ID that indicates physical address will be required, i.e. driver’s license, utility bill, credit card statement, etc.)
- Foreign government issued Driver’s License –Must have a photograph, the date of birth and a valid expiration date.

Will I earn Total Rewards Credits while I play at WSOP?
You will earn Total Reward credits for playing in WSOP events or WSOP cash games. You will not earn Total Reward credits for playing in WSOP Single Table Satellites.

Can someone else Pre-Register for me?
No, third-party registration is prohibited unless an organization is an approved WSOP satellite licensee.

How do I become an official WSOP satellite licensee?
Please visit this link to learn more details: [www.wsop.com/2018/become-satellite-location/](http://www.wsop.com/2018/become-satellite-location/)
You must contact Simone Ricci by emailing at sricci@caesars.com after you have verified you/your organization qualifies to host a satellite.

What hours are the WSOP Cashiers Cage open?
The WSOP Cashiers Cage will be open 24/7 beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29th, 2018.

When does Registration at the Rio Cage begin?
At 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 1st, 2018. Registration for bracelet events is open now at the Rio Main Cage.

What forms of payment are accepted at the Rio?
Cash, live Casino Chips, Cashiers Check and Wire Transfers (5 day waiting period for either). Credit cards will be accepted in-person once the WSOP Cashiers Cage opens on May 29th.

What forms of payment are accepted for Online-Registration?
- Cashier’s Check and Wire Transfers (10 day waiting period for either)
- Credit Cards (for events with buy-ins of $10,000 or less.)(available until the close of registration for the event.)
Can someone Register for me and pay my Tournament Entry at the WSOP Cage?
No.

May I transfer my Tournament Entry to someone else?
No. Tournament Entries are non-transferable.

Can Tournament Entries be pre-paid over the phone with a Credit Card?
No. All payments made through use of a Credit Card must be accomplished through the Online-Registration and WSOP FasTrac system or in-person starting May 29th.

Can I receive a refund on my Tournament Entry?
Yes. There is a cancellation and refund policy as outlined in the 2018 Tournament Rules available on www.wsop.com/2018/. Please see tournament office for the appropriate forms.
Cancellation of online registration is available online to the participant until the participant has tickets printed for the event or up until 24 hours before the event has started.

Do I have to Pre-register for Single Table Satellite Games?
No. You can register for Single Table Satellite Games at the Single Table Satellite Cage the day of the satellite.

Will I be paid in cash if I win a Single Table Satellite?
You will be paid with WSOP Tournament Buy-In Chips in $500 increments. Any winnings inside of a $500 increment will be paid in cash.

Are the Tournament Buy-In Chips won in a Single Table Satellite redeemable for cash?
No. They must be used to buy into WSOP Tournaments at the Rio from May 29th, 2018 through July 17th, 2018.

Can the Tournament Buy-In Chips won in a Single Table Satellite be used for any WSOP Event?
They can be used for all WSOP Bracelet Events, as well as other WSOP Tournament and Satellite offerings of $500 or greater at the Rio from May 29th, 2018 through July 17th, 2018. If used for an event of less than $500, any remaining balance from the chip will be forfeited.

If I don’t use my Tournament Buy-In Chips at WSOP this year, can I use them in future WSOP Events?
No. All WSOP Tournament Buy-In Chips will expire on July 17th, 2018 and will not be accepted at any future WSOP event or any other event at Rio or any of its affiliates.

Do I have to pre-register to play in Live Action?
No. Live Action Games are open 24/7 year-round at Rio, and you need not register in advance. During the WSOP, Live Action will be located in the Pavilion Green section of the WSOP Tournament Area as well as in the Rio Poker Room, located next to the Race & Sports Book. See a Live Action Supervisor to sign up for a game. Follow the WSOP Live Action on Twitter www.Twitter.com/WSOPLiveAction

What limits will be offered in Live Action?
Our smallest cash games will be $1-$3 No Limit Hold’em and $2-$4 Limit Hold’em. Our biggest games will be as high as anybody would like to play. We will also have Pot Limit Omaha, Omaha 8/B, Razz, 7 Card Stud, 7 Card Stud 8/B, 2-7 Triple Draw Lowball, A-5 Triple Draw Lowball, Badugi, Big-O and just about everything else you can imagine.

Can I pre-register for a Circuit Event?
We do not offer pre-registration for WSOP Circuit Events at this time. WSOP Circuit Event schedules, as well as all the latest news and information pertaining to Circuit Events are posted and continuously updated at www.WSOP.com.

Can Men Play in the Ladies Event?
The Ladies event is designed for women, however men can play. The entry fee for the event is $10,000. Women will receive a discount of their entry fee, as their buy-in will be $1,000.

What is a “Six Handed” Hold’em event?
You will be playing against only five other players, or even less at some points, for the duration of the event. This tournament is also described as a “short-handed event.”

What is a “Shootout” Event?
In a 'shootout' poker tournament format, you must beat all of the players at your table in order to move on to the next round. For example, in a shootout tournament with 1,000 players, you would start out with 100 tables of 10 players each. Then each table of ten would play down to one person. Those 100 remaining people would then play at ten tables until each table had one player remaining. Lastly, the final table ten players get together to fight it out for a bracelet!

**What is unique about the “Giant” Events?**
Every Friday night there is a $365 No-Limit Hold’em event starting at 7pm called the Giant. Each Friday night is a Day1 flight. Players advancing to Day2 for this event will resume play in a combined field on June 30.

Every Sunday night there is a $365 Pot-Limit Omaha event starting at 7pm called the PLO Giant. Each Sunday night is a Day1 flight. Players advancing to Day2 for this event will resume play in a combined field on July 2.

**Can anyone come and watch the WSOP?**
Guests are welcome to observe the WSOP in action – free of charge. All spectators must be at least 21 years of age to enter the Pavilion, Brasilia or Amazon Room, however, per gaming regulations.

**Is there valet service at the WSOP?**
Valet service will not be available in 2018 in the WSOP/Convention area. Valet will be available through the main hotel valet.

**What are the rules on photography in the WSOP?**
Photos may be taken in the WSOP tournament area. Flash photography and filming are strictly prohibited.

**Will I be able to get player autographs?**
Most players will happily oblige autograph requests between events. Please be mindful not to make a request while they are seated and playing at a table.

**How can I deal for the WSOP?**
Dealers may apply online at [http://caesars.hodesiq.com/Link_nav/job-careers.asp](http://caesars.hodesiq.com/Link_nav/job-careers.asp)
2. **Select States/Provinces:** Nevada; 3. **Select Properties:** WSOP; Begin Search.
WSOP staff members will be contacting those who apply to schedule auditions.

**Are there other employment opportunities at WSOP?**
Please visit [http://caesars.hodesiq.com/Link_nav/job-careers.asp](http://caesars.hodesiq.com/Link_nav/job-careers.asp)
2. **Select States/Provinces:** Nevada; 3. **Select Properties:** WSOP; Begin Search.

**What is the Single Table Satellite Schedule?**
Single Table Satellites begin on May 29th, 2018. Single Table Satellites will be running 24 hours based on demand. They range in price is from $125 and upward.

**What is the Mega Satellite Schedule? Are there other regularly scheduled non-bracelet events being held at Rio during WSOP?**

**Side Events and General Information:**

**Deep Stack No-Limit Hold'em Tournaments Every Day May 29 - July 15 (one day events)**
$250 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments at 1 PM.
$200 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments at 3 PM.
$365 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments at 7 PM. (Accelerated Format)
$150 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments at 10 PM. (Accelerated Format)

**King's High Roller Series: Every Friday- Sunday June 1 - July 8 (one day events)**
$25,000 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments on Friday at 8 PM.
$25,000 Buy-In Pot-Limit Omaha tournaments on Saturday at 8 PM.
$50,000 Buy-In No-Limit Hold'em tournaments on Sunday at 8 PM.
$565 Colossus Mega Satellites May 29 - June 1
$75 Buy-In at 12 PM (10 entries = $565 entry + $25 cash)
$150 Buy-In at 4 PM (5 entries = $565 entry + $35 cash)

Turbo No-Limit Hold’em Mega Satellites May 30 - July 14:
$185 Buy-In Mega Satellites Daily at 9 AM (10 entries = $1,500 entry + 100 cash).

Specialty Mega Satellites May 29 - July 10:
$575 Buy-In (10 entries = $5K entry + $50 cash) or $1,100 Buy-In at 5 PM (10 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash).
Game played is following day’s $5k or $10k event.

All 5 PM Megas will be played as No-Limit Hold’em except on the following days:
5/29 - $10K Super Turbo No-Limit Hold’em ($1,100 buy-in), 6/2 - $10K Omaha Hi-Lo 8 or Better ($1,100 buy-in)
6/5 - 10K Heads-Up No-Limit Hold’em ($1,100 buy-in), 6/6 - $10K Dealers Choice ($1,100 buy-in)
6/7 - $5K No-Limit Hold’em 6-Handed ($575 buy-in), 6/9 - $10K No-Limit 2-7 Lowball Draw ($1,100 buy-in)
6/11 - $10K H.O.R.S.E. ($1,100 buy-in), 6/17 - $10K Seven Card Stud ($1,100 buy-in)
6/22 - $10K Pot-Limit Omaha ($1,100 buy-in), 6/24 - $10K No-Limit Hold’em ($1,100 buy-in)
6/26 - $10K Razz ($1,100 buy-in), 6/27 - $5K No-Limit Hold’em 6-Handed ($575 buy-in)
6/28 - $10K Pot-Limit Omaha Hi-Lo Split 8 or Better ($1,100 buy-in), 6/30 - $10K Seven Card Stud Hi-Lo 8 or Better ($1,100 buy-in)
7/10 - $10K No-Limit Hold’em 6-Handed ($1,100 buy-in)

$50,000 Poker Players Championship (8 Game Mix) Mega Satellites June 13-14:
$625 Buy-In at 12 PM (10 entries = $5,300 entry + $200 cash).
$5,300 Buy-In at 5 PM (10 entries = $50,000 entry + $500 cash).

$25,000 Pot-Limit Omaha 8-Handed High Roller Mega Satellites June 18-19:
$325 Buy-In at 12 PM (10 entries = $2,700 entry + $100 cash).
$2,700 Buy-In at 5 PM (10 entries = $25,000 entry + 100 cash).

$100,000 High Roller No-Limit Hold’em Mega Satellites May 30 - 31:
$125 Buy-in Mega Satellite at 10 AM for seats into 2PM $825 Mega Satellite (10 entries = $850 entry + 100 cash).
$850 Buy-in Mega Satellite at 2 PM for seats into 6PM $7,500 Mega Satellite. (10 entries = $7,500 entry + 200 cash)
$7,500 Buy-in Mega Satellite at 6 PM for entry into the $100,000 High Roller No-Limit Hold’em event. (16 entries = $100,000 entry).

No-Limit Hold’em Mega Satellites July 2 - July 3:
$135 Buy-In Mega Satellites (10 entries = $1,100 entry + 20 cash) at 8 AM. Turbo format.
$250 Buy-In Mega Satellites (10 entries = $2,175 entry + 20 cash) at 2 PM. Turbo format.
$575 Buy-In Mega Satellites at 10 AM and 4 PM. (20 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash)
$1,100 Buy-In Mega Satellites at 1 PM. (10 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash)
$2,175 Buy-In Mega Satellites at 8 PM. (5 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash)

Turbo No-Limit Hold’em Mega Satellites July 2 & 4:
July 2 - $1,100 Buy-In (10 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash) at 8PM.
July 4 - $1,100 Buy-In (10 entries = $10K entry + 100 cash) at 8AM.

How do I secure the poker room rates for my hotel stay?
Players will make their room reservations at the pre-entrant rates. Upon arrival in Las Vegas they can provide their tournament receipt to the reservations desk and have the rates converted to the special WSOP entrant poker rates. Rio, Paris, Ballys, Harrah’s, Flamingo, Caesars Palace, Planet Hollywood and The Linq are all offering discounted rates for
WSOP players. Follow the link at **www.WSOP.com/reservations** under the registration tab to book your room online now at the best rates available!

**Can I set up as a vendor at WSOP?**
For vendor information please contact Simone Ricci by emailing at **sricci@caesars.com**

**Where can I get WSOP Merchandise?**
During the WSOP, a retail store will be operating in the Rotunda area immediately preceding the Pavilion Room entrance, providing a wide array of souvenir merchandise to choose from.

**How many players are paid for an event?**
The WSOP pays out approximately 15% of the field size, but it varies slightly from event to event.

**What must I provide to collect Tournament Winnings?**
Winners must show their current valid picture identification (driver’s license, state identification card, or military identification card, U.S. passport or U.S. passport card) acceptable to Caesars Entertainment in order to collect prizes. Any ID without an address, will require a secondary unexpired government ID that can verify physical address. If a participant is not a U.S. citizen, a current passport, consular identification or alien registration card is required. Additionally, non-U.S. citizens must provide documentation verifying their current physical address.

For prizes exceeding $5,000 net the event buy-in, winners must also provide:

- **U.S. Residents:** A Social Security Number.
- U.S. residents not providing a Social Security Number will be subject to 28% tax withholding.
- **Foreign Residents of U.S. Tax Treaty Countries:** Must provide an Individual Tax Identification Number.
- Foreign Residents of Treaty Countries, not providing an Individual Tax Identification Number, will be subject to 30% tax withholding.
- **Foreign Residents of U.S. Tax Non-Treaty Countries:** Will be subject to 30% tax withholding.

**May I apply for an Individual Tax Identification Number during the WSOP?**
Tournament Staff will assist WSOP winning foreign players from United States Tax Treaty Countries in applying for an Individual Tax Identification Number. Appointments must be made with our Compliance team after the player has won an amount over the $5,000 threshold mentioned above. Due to regulatory restrictions, this service is not available to foreign players that have winnings from WSOP.com online events.

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