

## WCBS at The World Games 2025, Chengdu – Bulletin 1 – Pre-Games Information

**To All Member Federations and Qualified Athletes:**

The WCBS is excited about the upcoming World Games, scheduled to take place in Chengdu, China, from **7<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025**.

Below is important information to help you prepare for the event.

**DATES:**

7<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025

### GENERAL SCHEDULE FOR BILLIARDS:

- 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Recommended arrival in Chengdu
- 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – World Games Opening Ceremony (approximately **7 PM local time**)
- 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Rest Day / Jet Lag Recovery / Technical Meetings for Officials
- 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Mandatory Training Day for Athletes / Technical Meetings for Officials
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Competition Days
- 15<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Departure from Chengdu

**This schedule should help all stakeholders plan their travel and book flights as needed.**

## VENUES:

- **Athletes' Village:** Tianfu International Hotel Complex
- **Competition Venue:** Civil Aviation Flight University of China, Tianfu Campus Gymnasium

### ACCOMMODATION, MEALS, AND TRANSPORTATION:

Accredited athletes and referees will receive:

- Free accommodation (shared **double-occupancy basis** with separate beds) in the Athletes' Village. Each athlete will share a room with another billiards athlete.
- Free meals in Chengdu.
- Free airport transfers in Chengdu.
- Free local transport between game venues in Chengdu.

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Athletes wishing to **upgrade to a single room** may do so at their own expense. This cost will **not** be covered by the **LOC or WCBS** and must be arranged by the athlete or their national federation. Requests for single-room upgrades should be made through WCBS, which will forward the request to the LOC.

#### VISA AND FLIGHTS:

Athletes and officials will soon be contacted regarding registration for the World Games. Once we receive the necessary personal information, WCBS will register all stakeholders on the online competition system.

- All registered individuals requiring a visa invitation letter will receive one via their registered email.
- This invitation letter can be used to begin the visa application process in their respective countries.
- All visa-related expenses must be covered by the athlete or their national federation.
- All flight expenses are also the responsibility of the athlete or their national federation.

#### EXTRA OFFICIALS:

National federations wishing to register **extra officials or guests** (team managers, coaches, entourage, etc.) may do so at an additional cost.

For package details, please refer to [page 26](#).

Details of any extra officials should be shared with WCBS. WCBS will then register them and issue the necessary invoice.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

As per **IWGA's Anti-Doping Rules**, participating athletes, medical personnel, and one team official (coach) in team sports **must complete** WADA's **Anti-Doping Education and Learning (ADEL) course** or another WADA-approved course to receive accreditation and participate in The World Games.

Additionally, IWGA will allow athletes with **babies (up to 18 months old by 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025, i.e., born after 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024)** to be accredited and housed together with the parent-athlete. A caregiver may also accompany them during the Games.

Athletes wishing to take advantage of this policy must register their intent via the [IWGA Athletes Committee](#) by **30<sup>th</sup> April 2025**.

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