



**IN THE COMPETITION**  
**APPEAL TRIBUNAL**

Case No: 1701/5/7/25

BETWEEN:

**NST WORLDWIDE LIMITED**

Claimant

- v -

**(1) WORLD SNOOKER LIMITED**

**(2) WORLD SNOOKER HOLDING LIMITED**

**(3) WORLD PROFESSIONAL BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER ASSOCIATION  
LIMITED**

Defendant

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**CMC2 ORDER**

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**UPON** the Tribunal having given initial directions in these proceedings by way of the Order made at CMC1 (the “CMC1 Order”) dated 26 September 2025

**UPON** the second CMC in these proceedings held on Monday 23 February 2026

**AND UPON** hearing from counsel for the Claimant, Ben Quiney KC, counsel for the First and Second Defendants, Jacob Rabinowitz and counsel for the Third Defendant, Tom Mountford

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

**Disclosure**

1. Amending paragraph 6 of the CMC 1 Order, disclosure shall be provided in the terms agreed by the parties or, where not agreed, as determined by the Tribunal in the attached Redfern Schedules by the deadline of 8 May 2026.

### **List of Issues**

2. The agreed List of Issues filed by the parties on 7 November 2025 is approved.

### **Further Directions**

3. In respect of the economic expert evidence permitted by paragraph 8 of the CMC1 Order:
  - 3.1 The Defendants shall serve a single proposed draft list of expert economic issues on the Claimant by 24 April 2026.
  - 3.2 The Claimant shall provide the Defendants with any comments on the proposed draft list of expert economic issues by 8 May 2026.
  - 3.3 The parties shall then seek to identify whether the draft list of expert economic issues can be agreed by 29 May 2026.
  - 3.4 If the draft list of expert economic issues is agreed, the Claimant shall submit these to the Tribunal by 29 May 2026 for the Tribunal's review and approval.
  - 3.5 If the draft list of expert economic issues is not capable of agreement in full: (a) the Claimant shall produce a composite form of a draft list of expert economic issues indicating in different coloured text the competing wording contended for by each party or parties, to be filed with the Tribunal by 29 May 2026; and (b) by the same deadline, each of the parties shall inform the Tribunal whether they consider that the Tribunal can settle the form of the list of expert economic issues on the papers or whether a further hearing should be held to determine the same.
  - 3.6 If any party seeks a further hearing on these issues and the Tribunal agrees that a hearing is warranted, a further CMC with a provisional time allocation of a half day shall be held to consider expert evidence issues.
  - 3.7 This further CMC shall be listed forthwith on a contingent basis for the first available date convenient to the Tribunal and the parties' legal representatives in the window 15 – 26 June 2026.

- 3.8 The Tribunal will confirm whether such a hearing is effective or can be vacated by no later than 5 June 2026.
4. In respect of any further application to adduce additional expert evidence in any other discipline:
- 4.1 If, following the provision of disclosure, any party intends to seek permission to adduce further expert evidence in any other discipline, the same shall first to be canvassed with the other parties in writing (identifying both the proposed discipline and issues for such expert) by no later than 22 May 2026.
- 4.2 The Claimant shall update the Tribunal by 29 May 2026 whether any party intends to seek permission to adduce additional expert evidence, identifying the proposed discipline(s) of expert evidence for which permission is sought by any party and whether or not this is agreed by the parties.
- 4.3 If the parties are agreed that there should be further expert evidence in any discipline, the parties shall endeavour to agree a draft list of issues for such expert evidence and the Claimant shall file with the Tribunal, by no later than 5 days prior to the CMC listed in accordance with paragraph 3.7 above, the agreed or unagreed draft proposed list of expert issues for any agreed further expert evidence (indicating, if the list of expert issues is unagreed, the rival contentions using different coloured text).
- 4.4 If the parties are not agreed that there should be further expert evidence in any discipline, any party seeking permission to adduce such expert evidence shall serve on the other parties and file with the Tribunal an updated draft list of the proposed issues for such expert (having considered any comments received from the other parties) by no later than 10 days prior to the CMC listed in accordance with paragraph 3.7 above.

## **Costs**

5. Subject to paragraph 6, any costs incurred in relation to CMC2 shall be costs in the case.
6. If so advised, the parties shall file short written submissions, not exceeding three pages, by 4pm on 27 March 2026 on the costs of and occasioned by the reformulation of Disclosure Request 13 to the WSL Parties and Disclosure Request 11 to the

WPBSA. Such costs shall be determined by the Tribunal on the papers, without a hearing.

**Charles Morrison**

Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 23 March 2026

Drawn: 23 March 2026