

1998–99 snooker season

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The **1998–99 snooker season** was a series of snooker tournaments played between June 1998 and May 1999. The following table outlines the results for the ranking and the invitational events.

Calendar [edit]

World Snooker Tour [edit]

1998–99 snooker season

Details	
Duration	June 1998–16 May 1999
Tournaments	26 (9 ranking events)
Triple Crown winners	
UK Championship	 John Higgins
Masters	 John Higgins
World Championship	 Stephen Hendry
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Start	Finish	Country	Tournament name	Venue	City	Winner	Runner-up	Score	Ref.
? Jun	? Jun	 CHN	Super Challenge		Guangzhou	 Steve Davis	 Stephen Hendry	^[n 1]	^[1]
8 Sep	10 Sep	 CHN	Champions Super League		^[n 2]	 Stephen Hendry	 John Higgins	^[n 1]	^[2]
29 Sep	4 Oct	 SCO	Scottish Masters	Civic Centre	Motherwell	 Ronnie O'Sullivan	 John Higgins	9–7	^[3]
14 Oct	25 Oct	 ENG	Grand Prix	Guild Hall	Preston	 Stephen Lee	 Marco Fu	9–2	^[4]
1 Nov	12 Nov	 ENG	Benson & Hedges Championship	Willie Thorne Snooker Centre	Malvern	 David Gray	 Dave Harold	9–6	^[5]
16 Nov	29 Nov	 ENG	UK Championship	Bournemouth International Centre	Bournemouth	 John Higgins	 Matthew Stevens	10–6	^[6]
3 Dec	6 Dec	 MLT	Malta Grand Prix	New Dolmen Hotel	Qawra	 Stephen Hendry	 Ken Doherty	7–6	^[7]
8 Dec	13 Dec	 GER	German Masters	Best Western Rheinhof	Bingen am Rhein	 John Parrott	 Mark Williams	6–4	^[8]
15 Dec	20 Dec	 IRL	Irish Open	National Basketball Arena	Tallaght	 Mark Williams	 Alan McManus	9–4	^[9]
16 Jan	24 Jan	 ENG	Nations Cup	Telewest Arena	Newcastle upon Tyne	 Wales	 Scotland	6–4	^[10] ^[11] ^[12]
25 Jan	31 Jan	 WAL	Welsh Open	Cardiff International Arena	Cardiff	 Mark Williams	 Stephen Hendry	9–8	^[13]
7 Feb	14 Feb	 ENG	The Masters	Wembley Conference Centre	London	 John Higgins	 Ken Doherty	10–8	^[14] ^[15]
15 Feb	21 Feb	 SCO	Scottish Open	A.E.C.C.	Aberdeen	 Stephen Hendry	 Graeme Dott	9–1	^[16] ^[17]
25 Feb	28 Feb	 ENG	Charity Challenge	Assembly Rooms	Derby	 John Higgins	 Ronnie O'Sullivan	9–4	^[18] ^[19]
1 Mar	7 Mar	 THA	Thailand Masters	Ambassador Hotel	Bangkok	 Mark Williams	 Alan McManus	9–7	^[20]
8 Mar	14 Mar	 CHN	China International	JC Mandarin Hotel	Shanghai	 John Higgins	 Billy Snaddon	9–3	^[21] ^[22]
23 Mar	28 Mar	 IRL	Irish Masters	Goff's	Kill	 Stephen Hendry	 Stephen Lee	9–8	^[23] ^[24]
4 Apr	11 Apr	 ENG	British Open	Plymouth Pavilions	Plymouth	 Fergal O'Brien	 Anthony Hamilton	9–7	^[25] ^[26]
17 Apr	3 May	 ENG	World Snooker Championship	Crucible Theatre	Sheffield	 Stephen Hendry	 Mark Williams	18–11	^[27]
2 Jan	16 May	 ENG	Premier League	Magnet Leisure Centre	Maidenhead	 John Higgins	 Jimmy White	9–4	^[28]
15 May	22 May	 WAL	Pontins Professional	Pontins	Prestatyn	 Jimmy White	 Matthew Stevens	9–5	^[29]

Ranking event
Non-ranking event

UK Tour [edit]

Start	Finish	Country	Tournament name	Venue	City	Winner	Runner-up	Score	Ref.
5 Oct	7 Oct	 ENG	UK Tour 1	Hazel Grove Snooker Club	Stockport	 Alfie Burden	 Anthony Davies	6–5	^[30]
27 Oct	29 Oct	 ENG	UK Tour 2	Jesters Snooker Club	Swindon	 Joe Swail	 Alfie Burden	6–1	^[30]
22 Feb	24 Feb	 ENG	UK Tour 3	Jesters Snooker Club	Swindon	 Stuart Bingham	 Matthew Couch	6–1	^[30]
12 Apr	14 Apr	 ENG	UK Tour 4	Hazel Grove Snooker Club	Stockport	 James Reynolds	 Jason Ferguson	6–4	^[30]

Other events [edit]

Start	Finish	Country	Tournament name	Venue	City	Winner	Runner-up	Score	Ref.
6 Dec	19 Dec	 THA	Asian Games	Land Sports Complex	Bangkok	 Shokat Ali	 Sam Chong	7–6	^[31]

Official rankings [edit]

Main article: [Snooker world rankings 1998/1999](#)

The top 16 of the world rankings, these players automatically played in the final rounds of the world ranking events and were invited for the Masters.^{[32][33][34]}

No.	Ch.	Player	Points 1996/1997	Points 1997/1998	Total
1	▲	 John Higgins	19587	27835	47422
2	▼	 Stephen Hendry	30457	16790	47247
3	▲	 Ronnie O'Sullivan	18302	21105	39407
4	▼	 Ken Doherty	21072	15095	36167
5	▼	 Mark Williams	21420	11335	32755
6	—	 John Parrott	16422	15335	31757
7	▼	 Peter Ebdon	15086	10340	25426
8	▲	 Alan McManus	13639	10755	24394
9	▲	 Stephen Lee	11384	12880	24264
10	▲	 Tony Drago	14504	9305	23809
11	▲	 Anthony Hamilton	11764	10760	22524
12	▼	 Alain Robidoux	16597	5790	22387
13	▼	 Nigel Bond	14106	8150	22256
14	▼	 Steve Davis	13077	9175	22252
15	▼	 James Wattana	13177	8365	21542
16	▲	 Mark King	10520	10950	21470

Points distribution [edit]

1998/1999 points distribution for world ranking events:^[35]

Tournament	Round →	L256	L198	L166	L134	L102	L96	L64	L48	L32	L16	QF	SF	F	W
Grand Prix	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	–	855	1140	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	480	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
UK Championship	Unseeded loser	–	270	360	480	640	640	855	–	1140	1520	2025	2700	4050	6075
	Seeded loser	–	–	270	360	480	480	640	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Irish Open	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	855	1140	1330	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	–	640	855	–	–	–	–	–
Welsh Open	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	–	855	1140	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	480	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Scottish Open	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	–	855	1140	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	480	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
China International	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	855	1140	1330	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	–	640	855	–	–	–	–	–
Thailand Masters	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	855	1140	1330	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	–	640	855	–	–	–	–	–
British Open	Unseeded loser	–	200	270	360	480	480	640	–	855	1140	1520	2025	3040	4560
	Seeded loser	–	–	200	270	360	360	480	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
World Championship	Unseeded loser	270	360	480	640	855	855	1140	1520	2027	2360	2700	3600	5400	8100
	Seeded loser	200	–	360	480	640	640	–	1140	1520	–	–	–	–	–

Notes [edit]

1. ^ ^{*a*} ^{*b*} No play-off was held and the title was decided on league table only.