

## **POKERSTARS ANNOUNCES SECOND \$1 MILLION FREEROLL**

*75,000 players will win prizes – first place to receive \$10,000*

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ONCHAN, Isle of Man – July 8, 2016 – The second of [PokerStars'](#) four \$1 million online freeroll poker tournaments planned for 2016 will take place on Sunday, July 17 at 12.04 ET (17.04 BST, 18.04 CET). Players will be given 10 chances to qualify for the million-dollar giveaway event, which will take place at PokerStars, an Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA) brand.

### **FREEROLL QUALIFIERS**

Players will have 10 chances to qualify into the PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll tournament through a series of simple daily challenges from July 8-16. After each day has finished, All-In Shootout Qualifiers will run and give away 8,192 seats to the players who completed the previous day's challenge.

In addition, players who complete the challenge on Friday, July 15 will have an extra reward – entry into a Skill Qualifier that will see 15,000 players advance to the \$1 Million Freeroll, which will be played out as a regular tournament.

### **EASY CHALLENGES**

The daily challenges are intended to be very simple in order to give as many people as possible a chance to qualify for the \$1 Million Freeroll. Playing just one real money hand of poker (cash game, multi-table tournament, Spin & Go, or Sit & Go tournament), making any wager in a casino game, or making any real money sports bet on BetStars (excluding free bets) on any sporting market, will gain entry into the All-In Shootout.

### **HOW PLAYERS CAN PLAY THE POKERSTARS \$1 MILLION FREEROLL**

- Players can claim their free All-In Shootout Qualifier seat by opening their Challenges Window, opting-in and completing a simple daily challenge.
- The All-In Shootouts Qualifier tournaments will be played the day after the challenge at 00.04 ET.
- Players who qualify through the All-In Shootout will automatically be registered to play the \$1 Million Freeroll on July 17 at 12.04 ET. Note that players do not have to be present during the All-in Shootout Qualifiers but the \$1 Million Freeroll is played as a regular tournament.
- In addition, PokerStars is running a Skill Qualifier to give more players a chance to compete. Players that complete the daily challenge on July 15 will, in addition to getting an All-in Shootout seat, receive a ticket to the Skill Qualifier played on Saturday, July 16 at 12.04 ET.

Unlike an All-in Shootout, players must register and play this tournament to be in with a chance of advancing to the \$1 Million Freeroll.

## QUALIFICATION SUMMARY

Tournament	Buy-in	Date & time	Prize pool
PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll All-In Shootout Qualifier	Auto-registered after completing respective daily challenge	July 9-17 00.04 ET	Top 8,192 players advance to PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll
PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll Skill Qualifier	Ticket received in Friday, July 15 daily challenge	July 16 12.04 ET	15,000 players qualify to PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll
PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll – \$1,000,000 added	Only open to players who have qualified. Players who have qualified will be automatically registered.	July 17 12.04 ET	\$1,000,000 added with \$10,000 for the winner

## ADDITIONAL NOTES

- Compared to the last \$1 Million Freeroll, PokerStars expects to reward more players.
- \$10,000 will be paid to the winner.
- PokerStars will award prizes to 75,000 players.
- Only one seat is allowed per player for the PokerStars \$1 Million Freeroll, so once a player has won a seat, there is no need to opt-in for new challenges.

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## About PokerStars

PokerStars operates the world's most popular online poker sites, serving the global poker community. Since it launched in 2001, PokerStars has become the first choice of players all over the world, with more daily tournaments than anywhere else and with the best online security. More than 155 billion hands have been dealt on PokerStars, which is more than any other site.



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