

POKERSTARS GUARANTEES \$15 MILLION FOR 2015 TURBO CHAMPIONSHIP OF ONLINE POKER

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – January 2, 2015 – The fourth edition of the <u>Turbo</u> <u>Championship of Online Poker</u> will take place from January 22 to February 1, featuring 50 events and \$15 million in guaranteed prize money, PokerStars revealed today.

TCOOP 2015 is PokerStars' first major online Championship series of the year, and features fast-structured tournaments at a wide range of buy-ins, making it ideal for recreational and professional poker players alike.

Team PokerStars Pro, Jake Cody, said: "TCOOP is an awesome series because the tournaments are so quick and varied – you don't have to be up all night to win some huge money, and the range of formats and game choices is so diverse. I haven't won one yet but will be giving it my best shot."

Team PokerStars Online Pro, Mickey Petersen, added: "I love how most of the events won't take more than a couple of hours to complete and they are perfect to play on a tablet. Turbo tournaments require a different set of skills compared to other tournament series and provide constant action."

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The focal point of TCOOP is the \$700 No Limit Hold'em Main Event, which takes place on February 1 at 15.30 ET, and has a \$2 million guarantee, with a minimum of \$300,000 for first place. The full schedule can be viewed online – http://psta.rs/1vmed6t – but below is a list of some of the highlights, including one or two new tournament additions:

- TCOOP 01: \$27 NL Hold'em [6-Max, Re-Entry] \$500k GTD
- TCOOP 03: \$215 NL Hold'em [Progressive Super-Knockout] \$800k GTD
- TCOOP 09: \$215 NL Hold'em [Turbo, Zoom, Re-Entry] \$400k GTD
- TCOOP 11: \$215 NL Hold'em [Heads-Up] \$250k GTD
- TCOOP 29: \$215 NL Hold'em [6-Max, Shootout, Progressive SKO] \$150k GTD
- TCOOP 32: \$7.50+R NL Hold'em [3x-Turbo] \$300k GTD



TCOOP 35: \$82 PL Omaha [4-Max] – \$100k GTD

• TCOOP 46: \$215 NL Hold'em [Ultra Deep, 50,000-chip stacks!] – \$500k GTD

TCOOP 47: \$2,100 NL Hold'em [High Roller] – \$1.25m GTD

• TCOOP 48: \$320 8-Game - \$100k GTD

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Additional prizes are available for players who make it on to the Player of the Series Leader Board through consistently high finishes, with the following up for grabs:

1st: Champion's Trophy & 2015 SCOOP [H] Main Event Ticket worth \$10,300

2nd: 2015 SCOOP \$5,200 Ticket

3rd-5th: 2015 SCOOP \$2,100 Ticket

6th-10th: 2015 SCOOP [M] Main Event Ticket worth \$1,050 11th-100th: 2015 SCOOP [L] Main Event Ticket worth \$109

ONLINE SATELLITES

PokerStars is running online qualifiers to every event in the TCOOP series, with cash buy-ins starting from just \$0.11and Frequent Player Point buy-ins from 1 FPP. Log in to the PokerStars client and click on 'Online Events' > 'TCOOP' > 'All' to find the qualifiers.

For further information, please contact: press@pokerstars.com

About PokerStars

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