POSER #8

- **Q1.** A red has just been potted and the cue-ball comes to rest touching a colour. What action does the Referee now take?
- **A1**. The Referee must call "Touching Ball Pink" and then state "Please nominate your colour"

Section 3 - Snooker - Rule 8. Touching Ball

- (a) If at the completion of a stroke the cue-ball is touching a ball or balls on, or that could be on, the referee shall state TOUCHING BALL and indicate which ball or balls on the cue-ball is touching. If the cue-ball is touching one or more colours after a Red (or a free ball nominated as a Red) has been potted, the referee shall also ask the striker to DECLARE which colour he is on.
- **(b)** When a touching ball has been called, the striker must play the cue-ball away from that ball without moving it or it is a push stroke.
- **(c)** Providing the striker does not cause any touching object ball to move, there shall be no penalty if:
- (i) the ball is on:
- (ii) the ball could be on and the striker declares he is on it; or
- (iii) the ball could be on and the striker declares, and first hits, another ball that could be on.
- Q2. What options does the Striker now have?
- **A2**. The Striker has two options. 1. Nominate Pink and play away from the ball. 2. Nominate any other colour.
- Q3. What if the cue-ball came to rest touching a ball on and a ball not on?

A3.

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When the *cue-ball* is touching both a ball *on* and a ball not *on*, the referee shall only indicate the ball *on* as touching. If the *striker* should ask the referee whether the *cue-ball* is also touching the ball not *on*, he is entitled to be told.