

Pool players caught with hand in pocket



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It started as a laugh but ended as a bizarre emergency when two Czech pool players got their hands stuck inside the table trying to fish out balls for the next game.

Firefighters in the western spa town of Karlovy Vary were called to free them, and ended up taking the table apart, regional fire department spokesman Frantisek Petr told reporters.

"They had to dismantle the table to free their hands," Petr said of the whole operation that happened in the wee hours of December 26.

While the trapped players were overcome with panic, the other customers in the bar were overcome with laughter.

"If I'd been there I'd have roared with laughter too," the spokesman said, adding: "Some cases are just entertaining."