



**CANADIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION**

**SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST**

**FOR THE**

**2023 CANADIAN NATIONAL BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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## 1. PREAMBLE

The Conditions of Contest herein set forth are supplemental to the General Conditions of Contest for all Canadian National Bridge Championships, as issued by the Canadian Bridge Federation and together form the set of Rules and Regulations governing the 2023 CMTC, CNTC (flights A, B and C), CWTC, CSTC, COPC and CIPC.

**Note particularly the following sections of the General Condition of Contest:**

**Section 4 - Eligibility and Conditions of Entry**

**Section 7 - Systems Policy**

**Section 17 - Eligibility to Represent Canada**

In the event of any inconsistency between these Supplemental Conditions of Contest and the General Conditions of Contest, the Supplemental Conditions of Contest shall prevail.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

Expressions used in these Supplemental Conditions of Contest and not defined shall have their ordinary meaning in duplicate bridge terminology (which may include expressions defined in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017). In the event of any doubt or dispute as to such meaning, the decision of the Championship Committee shall be final and conclusive. The singular shall include the plural and vice-versa and reference to one gender shall include the other.

Unless repugnant to the context or obvious meaning, all terms defined in the General Conditions of Contest shall have the same meaning for the purpose of these Supplemental Conditions of Contest and, in addition, the following expressions where used in these Supplemental Conditions of Contest shall have the following meanings:

***Bermuda Bowl***

means Open Teams competition at the World Bridge Teams Championships.

***d'Orsi Seniors Trophy***

means Seniors Teams competition at the World Bridge Teams Championships.

***General Conditions of Contest***

means the General Conditions of Contest issued by the CBF for the Canadian National Bridge Championships.

***McConnell Cup***

means transnational Women Teams competition at the World Bridge Series.

***Rand Cup***

means transnational Seniors Teams competition at the World Bridge Series.

***Rosenblum Cup***

means transnational Open Teams competition at the World Bridge Series.

***Subsidy Pool***

means the total financial subsidy budgeted by the CBF to support all the teams representing Canada at the World Bridge Championships

***"these championships"***

means the 2023 Canadian National Bridge Championships.

***"these conditions of contest"***

means the within Supplemental Conditions of Contest for the 2023 Canadian National Bridge Championships.

***Venice Cup***

means Women Teams competition at the World Bridge Teams Championships.

***World Bridge Championships***

means the annual world championships organized by the WBF.

***World Bridge Games***

means the World Bridge Championships held every four years, in the Summer Olympics year and includes the National Open Teams, National Women Teams, National Seniors Teams, and National Mixed Teams championships.

#### **World Bridge Series**

means the World Bridge Championships held every four years, in the even-numbered non-Summer Olympic years (i.e. not leap years) and includes the Rosenblum Cup, McConnell Cup, Rand Cup and Mixed Teams championships.

#### **World Bridge Teams Championships**

means the World Bridge Championships held in odd-numbered years, and includes the Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, d'Orsi Seniors Trophy, and Mixed Teams championships.

#### **Zonal Playoff**

means the playoff match against Mexico qualifying a team for the World Bridge Teams Championships.

### **3. DATE AND VENUE**

The 2023 CBC will be held as follows:

- The round robin of the CSTC and CWTC will be played online on RealBridge:
  - CSTC – Saturday and Sunday, January 7/8, 2023
  - CWTC – Friday and Saturday, January 13/14, 2023
- The live championships will be May 9-20 in Niagara Falls, Ontario
  - Crown Plaza Niagara Falls Fallsview
  - 5685 Falls Ave.
  - Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6W7

#### **3.1. COVID Requirements**

Players attending the in person CBC must be vaccinated (a minimum of 2 vaccinations are required) and mask policy will be according to the provincial health policy and requirements. Requirements will be posted on our website prior to the event. Players will be asked to provide proof of vaccination during the registration process, if possible, or at the event.

### **4. DEADLINES FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **4.1. TEAM PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Teams wishing to compete in any of the Canadian team championships must register, and pay the **non-refundable** Round Robin entry fee, no later than:

- Deadlines:
  - CWTC – December 31, 2022
  - CSTC – December 15, 2022
  - CNTC A, B & C March 10, 2023
  - CMTC March 10, 2023

#### **4.2. PRE-ALERTS AND SYSTEMS DEADLINE**

Pairs using a convention where a pre-alert is required must electronically submit a complete description of the convention (and a suggested defense if an approved defense is not included in the ACBL approved defenses database), no later than the Thursday of the week before the event starts.

- The ACBL Open+ Chart will apply for the CNTC A, CSTC, CWTC and CMTC
- The ACBL Open Chart will apply for the CNTC B and C.
- The ACBL Open Chart will apply for the COPC and CIPC.

**4.3. ROSTER CHANGE AND SYSTEMS DEADLINE**

- CNTC A April 26
- CNTC B April 26
- CNTC C April 26
- CWTC January 7, 2023
- CSTC Dec 30, 2022
- CMTC April 26

**5. CLUB LEVEL QUALIFICATION**

Club level qualification is required for the CNTC A,B and C and COPC. A person can qualify through the appropriate qualification game at their local club or can earn a qualifier in the CBF monthly online game held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month. The games held in October, November, December of 2022 and January 2023 will grant qualifications. Finishing in the top 50% or achieving a score of 50% or more will grant a qualification. To qualify for the CNTC A, B or COPC you must play in the Open game and the limited game will be a 999er game which will give CNTC C qualifications.

Any player registered for a Championship Team event will automatically be qualified for the COPC.

Since online qualifying games are being offered for the 2023 Chamionships, the discounted rate of \$25 for no local qualifiers is not being offered this year.

**6. CNTC-A**

**6.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	May 11,12
Quarter Final	May 13
Semi Final	May 14
Final	May 15

The CNTC A Quarter final, Semi final and Final will be 56 boards in 2023.

**6.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$480
Quarter Final	\$240
Semi Final	\$240
Final	\$240

**6.3. WINNING TEAM**

Subject to meeting the eligibility to represent Canada requirements, the winning team shall play of against Mexico if required and if successful represent Canada at the Bermuda Bowl at the 2023 World Bridge Team Championships, and shall receive a subsidy of the Bermuda Bowl entry fee plus a subsidy for travel. The travel subsidy is \$7,000 assuming that at least 16 team enter the event. The subsidy will be reduced proportionately if entries are below 16 teams.

The names of the winners of the CNTC-A are added to the Mark Molson Trophy.

**7. CNTC-B**

**7.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	May 10,11
Semi Final	May 12
Final	May 13

**7.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$360
Semi Final	\$180
Final	\$180

**7.3. WINNING TEAM**

The winning team will receive a cash prize to be determined. Also, the winning teams' names are added to the Jan Anderson Trophy.

**8. CNTC-C**

**8.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	May 10,11
Semi Final	May 12
Final	May 13

**8.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$240
Semi Final	\$180
Final	\$180

**8.3. WINNING TEAM**

The winning team will receive a cash prize to be determined.

**9. CWTC**

**9.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	Online on Realbridge.com Jan 13,14
Semi Final	May 14
Final	May 15

**9.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$480
Semi Final	\$240
Final	\$240

**9.3. WINNING TEAM**

Subject to meeting the eligibility to represent Canada requirements, the winning team shall play of against Mexico if required and if successful represent Canada at the Venice Cup at the 2023 World Bridge Team Championships, and shall receive a subsidy of the Venice Cup entry fee plus a subsidy for travel. The travel subsidy is \$7,000 assuming that at least 16 team enter the event. The subsidy will be reduced proportionately if entries are below 16 teams.

The names of the winners of the CWTC are added to the Ruth Gold Memorial Trophy.

**9.4. MASTERPOINTS**

Masterpoints awarded for this event may be different from what is specified in the ACBL Masterpoint Book due to the round robin being held on RealBridge.

**10. CSTC**

**10.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	online on Realbridge.com Jan 7,8
Semi Final	May 9
Final	May 10

**10.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$480
Semi Final	\$240
Final	\$240

**10.3. WINNING TEAM**

Subject to meeting the eligibility to represent Canada requirements, the winning team shall play of against Mexico if required and if successful represent Canada at the d’Orsi Cup at the 2023 World Bridge Team Championships, and shall receive a subsidy of the entry fee plus a subsidy for travel. The travel subsidy is \$7,000 assuming that at least 16 team enter the event. The subsidy will be reduced proportionately if entries are below 16 teams.

The names of the winners of the CSTC are added to the Sam Gold Memorial Trophy.

**10.4 Masterpoints**

Masterpoints awarded for this event may be different from what is specified in the ACBL Masterpoint Book due to the round robin being held on RealBridge.

**11. CMTC**

**11.1. SCHEDULE**

Round Robin	May 16,17
Quarter Final	May 18 (if 16 or more teams entered)
Semi Final	May 19 (if 16+ teams). May 18 if 15 or fewer teams
Final	May 20 (if 16+ teams). May 19 if 15 or fewer teams

**11.2. ENTRY FEE**

Round Robin	\$480
Quarter Final	\$240
Semi Final	\$240
Final	\$240

**11.3. WINNING TEAM**

Subject to meeting the eligibility to represent Canada requirements, the winning team shall play of against Mexico if required and if successful represent Canada at the Wuhan Cup at the 2023 World Bridge Team Championships, and shall receive a subsidy of the Wuhan Cup entry fee plus a subsidy for travel. The travel subsidy is \$7,000 assuming that at least 16 team enter the event. The subsidy will be reduced proportionately if entries are below 16 teams.

**12. COPC – Canadian Open Pairs Championship**

**12.1. SCHEDULE**

2 Qualifying Sessions	May 14
2 Final Sessions	May 15

**12.2. ENTRY FEE**

\$30 Canadian per person per session.

**12.3. PRIZES**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	The winning pair gets Jim Donaldson Trophy and \$1,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place pair receives \$700
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> place pair receives \$300

## 13. CIPC – Canadian IMP Pairs Championship

### 13.1. SCHEDULE

2 Sessions	May 18
2 Final Sessions	May 19

### 13.2. ENTRY FEE

\$30 Canadian per person per session. *PRIZES*

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	The winning pair receives \$1,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place pair receives \$700
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> place pair receives \$300

## 14. MISCELLANEOUS

### 14.1. THE SCHEDULE OF PLAY AND TIME SCHEDULE

The number and length of Round Robin matches in each team championship, are determined based on the number of teams registered. Accordingly, the schedule of matches and detailed time schedule will be published on the CBF website after the pre-registration deadline.

The quarter final, semi-final and final for CNTC A, B & C, CWTC, CSTC, CMTC events will be 56 boards played in four 14 board segments.

### 14.2. SUBSIDY POOL

See above for 2023 travel subsidies.

#### *PRORATION OF SUBSIDY AND CASH PRIZES*

In a team championship, the winning team's travel subsidy is based on a minimum of 16 teams participating in the event. Should fewer than 16 teams participate in the event, the subsidy shall be prorated accordingly.

### 14.3. SYSTEM NOTES

You are not allowed to refer to system notes during a match or event.

### 14.4. MINIMUM PARTICIPATION

A minimum of 2 teams is required to hold an event.

### 14.5. SUBSTITUTES

Substitutes are not allowed. However, if a team loses a player due to a sudden medical illness or death, they may replace that player. The replacement player should not be considered a stronger player than the original. The details of the situation and information about the proposed replacement should be forwarded to the Tournament Committee for consideration.

### 14.6. SCORING

Round Robin matches will be scored using the WBF Continuous 20-point scale. (Appendix A)

## 15. SPECIAL RULES FOR ONLINE PLAY

### 15.1 Video and Audio

A camera and microphone are required for play on Realbridge.

### 15.2. Realbridge Screenmate Communication

Screenmates (N & E, S & W) should do their best to have audio and video communication with each other throughout the bidding and play. During the play, a player may turn off video if they are having connection issues, but they must inform the director or their connection issues. When dummy, a player may leave the table.

### 15.3. Use of Electronic Devices

Other than a health-related device that has been approved by the Director in advance, no player may use an electronic device for any purpose other than playing on RealBridge. Headphones are permitted as well as well as a cell phone to communicate with the Director.



#### **15.4. Undos for Misclicks**

If a player misclicks on a bid, and it is an obvious misclick they may ask for an undo. The Director must be called to make the ruling. The request for an undo must be made before the partner of the person requesting the undo has acted.

#### **15.5 Alerts**

Players should self-alert bids. The alert will be visible to both opponents. Further explanations should be made on each side of the screen to their screenmate. Players should explain any bid that they have information above and beyond what might be expected.

#### **15.6 Additional requirements –**

Additional requirements in terms of submitting lineups etc. will be communicated to players prior to the start of the event. If a player is late for a segment, there will be a 2-minute grace period and after that there will be a penalty of 1 VP per minute.

#### **15.7 Duration of Matches**

Time allowed for each round robin match will be announced when the schedule is announced. Time allotted will generally be based on 7.5 minutes per board. If a team is playing slowly, the Director should be notified. Penalties will be assigned according to the CBF Slow Play Regulations.

## Appendix A

### WBF Continuous 20 VP Scale

This scale will be used in WBF Championships and should be used for major team Tournaments

No of Boards										
IMPS	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	20	32
0	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
1	10.50	10.47	10.44	10.41	10.39	10.36	10.33	10.31	10.28	10.22
2	10.99	10.92	10.86	10.81	10.77	10.71	10.66	10.61	10.55	10.44
3	11.46	11.35	11.27	11.20	11.14	11.05	10.97	10.91	10.82	10.65
4	11.90	11.77	11.67	11.58	11.50	11.38	11.28	11.20	11.08	10.86
5	12.33	12.18	12.05	11.94	11.85	11.70	11.58	11.48	11.34	11.07
6	12.75	12.57	12.42	12.29	12.18	12.01	11.87	11.76	11.59	11.27
7	13.15	12.94	12.77	12.63	12.51	12.31	12.16	12.03	11.83	11.47
8	13.53	13.31	13.12	12.96	12.83	12.61	12.44	12.29	12.07	11.67
9	13.90	13.65	13.45	13.28	13.14	12.90	12.71	12.55	12.30	11.86
10	14.25	13.99	13.78	13.59	13.43	13.18	12.97	12.80	12.53	12.05
11	14.59	14.32	14.09	13.89	13.72	13.45	13.23	13.04	12.76	12.24
12	14.92	14.63	14.39	14.18	14.00	13.71	13.48	13.28	12.98	12.42
13	15.24	14.93	14.68	14.46	14.28	13.97	13.72	13.52	13.20	12.60
14	15.54	15.22	14.96	14.74	14.54	14.22	13.96	13.75	13.41	12.78
15	15.83	15.50	15.23	15.00	14.80	14.46	14.19	13.97	13.61	12.95
16	16.11	15.78	15.50	15.26	15.05	14.70	14.42	14.18	13.81	13.12
17	16.38	16.04	15.75	15.50	15.29	14.93	14.64	14.39	14.01	13.29
18	16.64	16.29	16.00	15.74	15.52	15.15	14.85	14.60	14.20	13.46
19	16.89	16.53	16.23	15.97	15.75	15.37	15.06	14.80	14.39	13.62
20	17.12	16.77	16.46	16.20	15.97	15.58	15.26	15.00	14.58	13.78
21	17.35	16.99	16.68	16.42	16.18	15.79	15.46	15.19	14.76	13.94
22	17.58	17.21	16.90	16.63	16.39	15.99	15.66	15.38	14.94	14.09
23	17.79	17.42	17.11	16.83	16.59	16.18	15.85	15.56	15.11	14.24
24	17.99	17.62	17.31	17.03	16.78	16.37	16.03	15.74	15.28	14.39
25	18.19	17.82	17.50	17.22	16.97	16.55	16.21	15.92	15.45	14.54
26	18.38	18.01	17.69	17.41	17.16	16.73	16.38	16.09	15.61	14.68
27	18.56	18.19	17.87	17.59	17.34	16.91	16.55	16.26	15.77	14.82
28	18.73	18.36	18.04	17.76	17.51	17.08	16.72	16.42	15.93	14.96
29	18.90	18.53	18.21	17.93	17.68	17.24	16.88	16.58	16.08	15.10
30	19.06	18.69	18.37	18.09	17.84	17.40	17.04	16.73	16.23	15.24
31	19.22	18.85	18.53	18.25	18.00	17.56	17.19	16.88	16.38	15.37
32	19.37	19.00	18.68	18.40	18.15	17.71	17.34	17.03	16.52	15.50
33	19.51	19.15	18.83	18.55	18.30	17.86	17.49	17.17	16.66	15.63
34	19.65	19.29	18.97	18.69	18.44	18.00	17.63	17.31	16.80	15.76
35	19.78	19.43	19.11	18.83	18.58	18.14	17.77	17.45	16.93	15.88
36	19.91	19.56	19.24	18.97	18.71	18.28	17.91	17.59	17.06	16.00
37	20.00	19.68	19.37	19.10	18.84	18.41	18.04	17.72	17.19	16.12
38		19.80	19.50	19.22	18.97	18.54	18.17	17.85	17.32	16.24
39		19.92	19.62	19.34	19.10	18.66	18.29	17.97	17.44	16.35
40		20.00	19.74	19.46	19.22	18.78	18.41	18.09	17.56	16.46
41			19.85	19.58	19.33	18.90	18.53	18.21	17.68	16.57
42			19.95	19.69	19.44	19.02	18.65	18.33	17.79	16.68
43			20.00	19.80	19.55	19.13	18.76	18.44	17.90	16.79
44				19.90	19.66	19.24	18.87	18.55	18.01	16.90
45				20.00	19.76	19.34	18.98	18.66	18.12	17.01
46					19.86	19.44	19.08	18.77	18.23	17.11
47					19.96	19.54	19.18	18.87	18.33	17.21

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