



**CANADIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION
SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST
FOR
THE 2026 CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP**

*Adopted for use in connection with the
2026 Canadian Open Pairs Championship
conducted online on RealBridge*

Canadian Bridge Federation

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Canadian Open Pairs Championship (COPC) will be played online using the RealBridge platform under the auspices of the Canadian Bridge Federation.

The event will be conducted in accordance with:

- The Laws of Duplicate Bridge (2017, as amended) – [Click here](#).
- The CBF General Conditions of Contest – [Click here](#).
- These Supplemental Conditions of Contest

The decisions of the Tournament Director (TD) are final, subject to CBF appeal procedures.

II. FLIGHTS

The event consists of two flights:

- Top Flight: Open to all players
- Mid Flight: Open to players with 0-2500 masterpoints at the time of registration

Players must qualify for the flight in which they register.

III. FORMAT

A. Day 1 – Qualifying

All registered pairs compete in two qualifying sessions on Day 1.

At the conclusion of Day 1:

- The field will be ranked across the entire field
- A minimum of 40% of the field, and possibly more, will advance to the Championship Final on Day 2.
- Each flight and or section will be limited to a maximum of 13 tables.

B. Day 2 - Finals

Day 2 will be played by the pairs qualifying from Day 1 and will determine the overall winners in each flight.

C. Carryover

There will be no carryover from the qualifying session. All pairs will begin Day 2 with a score of zero.

IV. AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded separately in each flight, Top Flight and Mid Flight, based on the final standings in the Championship Final:

- 1st Place Pair: 20% of total entry fees
- 2nd Place Pair: 10% of total entry fees
- 3rd Place Pair: 5% of total entry fees

Additional masterpoints may be awarded in accordance with CBF regulations.

V. REGISTRATION

Pairs must register by the published deadline. All players must be members in good standing of the Canadian Bridge Federation.

The entry fee for the event is \$80 per pair per day for Top Flight and \$60 per pair per day for Mid Flight. The entry fee must be paid at the time of registration.

VI. SYSTEMS

Convention cards must be submitted prior to April 20, 2026.

Top flight: This event is governed by the ACBL Open+ Chart. All methods allowed under this chart are permitted, with the exception of the Multi 2♦ convention, which is prohibited.

Mid flight: The ACBL Open Chart applies. Most standard methods are permitted; however, the Multi 2♦ convention is not allowed.

VII. PLAYING CONDITIONS

The event will be played on RealBridge.

Players must:

- Use a device with a working camera and microphone
- Remain visible throughout play
- Maintain a stable internet connection

The use of unauthorized electronic devices is prohibited.

VIII. CONDUCT OF PLAY

Players are expected to behave in a courteous and sportsmanlike manner.

The Tournament Director should be called immediately in case of:

- Irregularities
- Claims or disputes
- Technical issues
- Unauthorized information concerns

IX. ALERTS AND EXPLANATIONS

Players are responsible for self-alerting and providing explanations using the RealBridge interface.

Questions must be directed in writing to the opponent who made the bid.

X. APPEALS

Appeals must be filed within 30 minutes of the end of the session via the Director in Charge.

All appeals will be handled in accordance with CBF procedures.

XI. CHANGES TO THE CONDITIONS

The Canadian Bridge Federation reserves the right to modify these Conditions of Contest if necessary to ensure the fair and smooth operation of the event.