

# Canadian Bridge Championships

## CBC Registration – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

**1. Which events require pre-registration?**

The Championship team events, Canadian National Team Championships (CNTC) A, B and C, Canadian Senior Team Championships (CSTC), Canadian Womens Team Championships (CWTC), Canadian Mixed Team Championships (CMTC) all require pre-registration. Pre-registration is not required for Canadian IMP Pairs Championship (CIPC), Canadian Open Pairs Championships (COPC) or any Regional event.

**2. What is the pre-registration deadline?**

Registration must be received by the CBF office by February 22, 2019. A late registration may be accepted only in the situation where it improves the event. For example, if an odd number of teams has registered and the additional team eliminates the bye or if it prevents cancellation of an event.

**3. How can I register a team?**

You can register on the CBF website with a credit card. You will need to sign in and therefore you must have a password for the CBF website. If you do not want to use a credit card online, you can also send an e-transfer to [canbridge@rogers.com](mailto:canbridge@rogers.com) or mail a cheque payable to the Canadian Bridge Federation.

**4. Do I need to be a CBF member?**

All participants in Championship events need to be paid up CBF members. The Championship events are: CNTC, CSTC, CWTC, CMTC, COPC, CIPC.

**5. Can I change my team members after I pre-register?**

Yes, you can change your team members up to April 19, 2019. Keeping in mind that the entry fee is non-refundable, you can register with less than a full roster if necessary.

**6. If I am playing in the CNTC or CSTC, can I play in other events?**

Yes, the CSTC starts on May 7, so if you are not in the quarter finals of the CNTC A, you can play in the CSTC. The CMTC starts on May 9th, so if you are not in the final of the CNTC A or the playoffs of the CSTC, you will be able to play in the CMTC.

**7. How many events do I need to pre-register for?**

You need to pre-register for all events that you plan to enter which require pre-registration. If some of your team members are still playing in the play-offs of the CNTC A or CSTC you can substitute a different person, or receive a refund of your entry fee.

**8. If I decide not to play in an event, can I get my entry fee back? –**

The entry fee is non-refundable. We need to have pre-registration so that we can make arrangements for directors, playing space, pre-deal boards, make up a schedule, etc. As mentioned above, if you or your teammates have pre-registered but some members of your team are still playing in the playoffs of an event, your entry fee can be refunded. If an event is cancelled because there were not enough teams registered to hold the event, then entry fees will be refunded.

**9. Which events require pre-qualification?**

Club level qualification is required for CNTC A, B and C and the Canadian Open Pairs Championships. If you did not qualify at the club, you can purchase a club level qualification for \$100 for CNTC A, \$50 for CNTC B, \$30 for CNTC C and \$25 for COPC.

**10. What are the eligibility rules for representing Canada at the World Championships?**

To be eligible to represent Canada, you must be a CBF member in good standing, your membership must not have lapsed for more than 4 months since January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the Championships\*\*, and you have not represented a country other than Canada in a WBF event.

\*\*Exemptions to the 4-month rule – If you are a first-time member of the CBF, you may be exempt from this rule. If you have been a member in the past and this is the first time you do not meet this condition, you may be deemed eligible by paying a \$200 fee prior to playing in the National Final. For more information, please refer to the CBF Eligibility Policy on the CBF website.

For more information on any of these events, please refer to the Conditions of Contest and/or the CBF Policies which can be found on the CBF website.