

## Canadian Bridge Federation

### Special Conditions of Contest 2021 CBC

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The General CBF Conditions of Contest will apply in all areas not covered by these Special Conditions of Contest 2021 CBC.

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#### Entry Fees:

- CNTC A/ CSTC / CWTC / CMTC -- \$480 for the round robin, \$100 for each stage of the playoffs (Knock Out portion)
- CNTC B & C -- \$300 for the round robin, \$60 for each stage of the playoff (Knock Out portion)
  - CNTC B is for players with up to 3,500 masterpoints as of the September 5, 2020 masterpoint report
  - CNTC C is for players with up to 1,000 masterpoints as of the September 5, 2020 masterpoint report
- No club qualification is required this year for the CNTC A, B or C or any other events.

#### Registration:

- Registration will open on December 7, 2020 until January 9, 2021.
- Changes to team composition will be allowed until January 25<sup>th</sup>.
- A minimum of 6 teams is required to proceed with any of the events.

#### Team composition:

- A team may use a substitute one time during the round robin without cause. The substitute should not be a player judged superior to the player substituted for by the tournament committee. If a substitute is used, the details should be sent to the coordinator no later than 48 hours before the match. If a different convention card than posted for the team will be played, the other team must be notified 24 hours in advance.
- Teams may have 4 to 6 players. 6 players are recommended since substitutes are not allowed.
- If a team loses a player due to a prolonged 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 will be forwarded to the Tournament Committee for consideration.
- For the CSTC all team members must be 62 years of age in 2021 or older.

**Format:**

- The first scheduled match dates will be the weekend of February 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The events will be played completely on BBO (Including the knockout stage)
- Round robin matches will be 20 boards in length.
- Boards are not pre-duplicated and will be randomly generated by BBO for each individual match.
- There will be no specially assigned directors available.
- For the Round Robin the WBF continuous 20 point VP scale (shown in Appendix I) will be used.
- Only registered team members are allowed to play a match. Except that a team may use one substitute, one time during the round robin.
- When playing a match each player must have their real name displayed in their BBO profile. A procedural penalty of 1VPs may be assigned.
- CBF Zero Tolerance rules apply with respect to behaviour while playing, and for all communications to do with the Championships including emails.
- During the match you must have contact with your screen-mate. (North and East, South and West). We recommend a video connection – Zoom or Jitsi, or a voice call if that is not possible. For instructions on how to set that up – [click here](#) (coming soon)

**Systems:**

- 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.
- Each team captain must email the following to [team-info@cbf.ca](mailto:team-info@cbf.ca) by January 25, 2021:
  - Event and Team name –
    - Each team member and BBO handle
    - Any pre-alerts and suggested defenses
    - Submitting system notes, or supplementary sheets, is optional
    - All convention cards and pre-alerts will be made available on the Championship website ( <https://cbf.ca/BWeek/21files/teams.shtml> ).
- Referring to notes during play is not allowed, other than permitted defenses to conventions played by the opponents.

**Schedule:**

- Matches will begin the weekend of Feb 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- The end date will depend on the number of teams entered, but will not extend past April 18<sup>th</sup>. (If it turns out there is not World Championship, or it is delayed, the end date may be extended)

- During the round robin the intention is to have each team play one match each week. If the number of entries require it, teams may have to play more than one match per week to allow completion of the event by April 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - If more than one match per week is required, matches in excess of the one per week will have more flexibility in terms of scheduling, i.e. you may have 2-3 weeks to play that additional match. If this is necessary, more information will be provided when we know the number of additional matches required.
- Default match times for each championship will be (All times are eastern)
 

CNTC A	Saturday	1pm
CWTC	Saturday	4pm
CMTC	Sunday	1pm
CSTC	Sunday	4pm
CNTC B	Saturday	4pm
CNTC C	Sunday	4pm
- The Round Robin draw and match schedules will be published shortly after the registration deadline.
- Matches may be rescheduled for not later than the default match date if both captains agree.
- If one or both teams is unable to play a match by its originally scheduled date, the coordinator must be notified. Unless there are special mitigating circumstances, the team(s) will be considered in default and forfeit the match
- In the case of a medical emergency, (or other emergency situation not including a technical issue) that is reported to the coordinator and the other team prior to the start of a match, the match can be rescheduled if necessary. The match should be played within 6 days of the default date.
- A team that fails to have 4 players available for the match within 20 minutes of the agreed match time, will be considered to be in default and forfeit the match. However, if the problem is due to a technical or medical issue and the other team agrees, the match can be rescheduled no later than 6 days from the default date.

#### **Match Set Up:**

- The default match parameters are:
  - Undos – Not allowed
  - Kibitzers – Not allowed
  - Barometer scoring – Off/unchecked
  - Video call – Strongly recommended but not required during the round robin (see below for additional information)
- The team captains should agree on who will set up the match on BBO and what parameters to use. Even though the above parameters are recommended, the captains may agree to allow one or all of the above parameters.

- At least 48 hours prior to the scheduled match time, each team captain must submit their line-up to the opposing team captain, indicating who will sit EW and NS and their BBO handles. There are no seating rights in the Round Robin. If either captain wishes, they can email the coordinator at least 12 hours in advance of the match to have seats randomly assigned for the specified pairs. (If the coordinators team is involved in the dispute, she will forward the request to a CBF Board member)
- When playing a match, players must have their name displayed in their BBO account.

#### **Match Results:**

- **The winning team captain (in the case of a tie, the team captain who set up the match) must submit the score for the match to [results@cbf.ca](mailto:results@cbf.ca), copying the opposing team captain.**
- Match results must be reported no later than the end of the scheduled day for the match.
- A captain's failure to report the result within the timeframe specified will result in a 1VP penalty to the offending team.
- If a player is disconnected for any reason and is unable to rejoin the match within 15 minutes, the match is terminated (unless the remaining players agree to wait longer). The results of compared boards up to that point are official and the remaining boards must be played within 72 hours (coordinator must be notified).
- A team which is deemed to forfeit a match during the Round Robin shall score zero Victory Points for that match. The team winning the forfeited match will receive the greater score between: (a) 12 VP, (b) the team's average, and (c) the average score obtained by all the other opponents against the team who defaults.

#### **Ethics Committee and Tournament Committee:**

- A Tournament Committee will be established to deal with any Tournament Issues that may arise. A description of the issue should be sent to the coordinator, who will refer it to the Tournament Committee if necessary.
- The Ethics Committee will look into complaints of unethical or suspicious behaviour as well as complaints of inadequate disclosure. Any such complaint should be submitted by the team captain to [ethics@cbf.ca](mailto:ethics@cbf.ca).
  - Complaints must contain all relevant and detailed information for what happened at both tables, with the lin file of the match attached. If a lin file is not attached, link(s) to the BBO stored lin files should be included. It should be noted that BBO no longer stores hand records for more than a few days. The committee will not consider complaints if no lin file is attached and the links provided had expired.
  - As there are numerous possible reasons for tempo issues online, teams should not use that as the basis for a complaint.

- A team submitting a complaint judged to be without merit will be assessed a 2 VP penalty

### **Winning Team**

- Masterpoints will be awarded for this competition.
- Subject to a playoff with Mexico, the CNTC, CMTC CSTC and CWTC winning teams will be eligible to represent Canada at the World Bridge Team Championships in 2021. (dates unknown) If there is no World Championship the CBF Board will review situation and may award prizes.
- Winning any Championship event in this Championship does not count towards achieving Grand Life Master status.
- Winners of the CNTC B and C will receive CBF polo shirts.

**Video Call** -- The CBF is very aware that many types of cheating are prevalent on the internet, and we feel strongly about doing what we can to prevent cheating in online play. This is why we recommended no Kibitzers in our events in 2020. The ACBL recently required that players in an online team event have a video link active for screenmates (North and East, South and West). A Zoom video for 2 people is available for any length of time for free. Other platforms are available as well, such as Jitsi, Google Meet, Skype etc.

We are strongly recommending that teams put a Video link in place for the round robin. It will likely be required for the playoff rounds (knock-out portion of the CBC. It is up to both captains to agree to use it for the round robin. If you decide to have a video link and something goes wrong mid-match. You may reschedule the rest of the boards. (Of course, you can finish without video if you want) Please let the co-ordinator know by emailing [canbridge@rogers.com](mailto:canbridge@rogers.com) with the details of the problem and the that the match will be rescheduled so that a default is not assigned.

Play off Conditions of Contest - TBA

**WBF Continuous 20 point VP scale  
20 Boards**

<b>IMPS</b>	<b>VPs</b>			<b>IMPS</b>	<b>VPs</b>			<b>IMPS</b>	<b>VPs</b>		
<b>0</b>	10.00	-	10.00	<b>24</b>	15.28	-	4.72	<b>48</b>	18.43	-	1.57
<b>1</b>	10.28	-	9.72	<b>25</b>	15.45	-	4.55	<b>49</b>	18.53	-	1.47
<b>2</b>	10.55	-	9.45	<b>26</b>	15.61	-	4.39	<b>50</b>	18.63	-	1.37
<b>3</b>	10.82	-	9.18	<b>27</b>	15.77	-	4.23	<b>51</b>	18.73	-	1.27
<b>4</b>	11.08	-	8.92	<b>28</b>	15.93	-	4.07	<b>52</b>	18.82	-	1.18
<b>5</b>	11.34	-	8.66	<b>29</b>	16.08	-	3.92	<b>53</b>	18.91	-	1.09
<b>6</b>	11.59	-	8.41	<b>30</b>	16.23	-	3.77	<b>54</b>	19.00	-	1.00
<b>7</b>	11.83	-	8.17	<b>31</b>	16.38	-	3.62	<b>55</b>	19.09	-	0.91
<b>8</b>	12.07	-	7.93	<b>32</b>	16.52	-	3.48	<b>56</b>	19.17	-	0.83
<b>9</b>	12.30	-	7.70	<b>33</b>	16.66	-	3.34	<b>57</b>	19.25	-	0.75
<b>10</b>	12.53	-	7.47	<b>34</b>	16.80	-	3.20	<b>58</b>	19.33	-	0.67
<b>11</b>	12.76	-	7.24	<b>35</b>	16.93	-	3.07	<b>59</b>	19.41	-	0.59
<b>12</b>	12.98	-	7.02	<b>36</b>	17.06	-	2.94	<b>60</b>	19.49	-	0.51
<b>13</b>	13.20	-	6.80	<b>37</b>	17.19	-	2.81	<b>61</b>	19.57	-	0.43
<b>14</b>	13.41	-	6.59	<b>38</b>	17.32	-	2.68	<b>62</b>	19.65	-	0.35
<b>15</b>	13.61	-	6.39	<b>39</b>	17.44	-	2.56	<b>63</b>	19.72	-	0.28
<b>16</b>	13.81	-	6.19	<b>40</b>	17.56	-	2.44	<b>64</b>	19.79	-	0.21
<b>17</b>	14.01	-	5.99	<b>41</b>	17.68	-	2.32	<b>65</b>	19.86	-	0.14
<b>18</b>	14.20	-	5.80	<b>42</b>	17.79	-	2.21	<b>66</b>	19.93	-	0.07
<b>19</b>	14.39	-	5.61	<b>43</b>	17.90	-	2.10	<b>67</b>	19.99	-	0.01
<b>20</b>	14.58	-	5.42	<b>44</b>	18.01	-	1.99	<b>68</b>	20.00	-	0.00
<b>21</b>	14.76	-	5.24	<b>45</b>	18.12	-	1.88				
<b>22</b>	14.94	-	5.06	<b>46</b>	18.23	-	1.77				
<b>23</b>	15.11	-	4.89	<b>47</b>	18.33	-	1.67				