

10K Mixed Swiss Teams Special Conditions of Contest

The General Conditions of Contest (CoC) for All Events and for Swiss Teams events will apply to this event, subject to the following special CoC. These conditions are in addition to, or supersede, the General CoC for Swiss Teams. These CoC may not be changed during the course of this event. Regarding any of the above, or any of the General CoC for Swiss Teams, the decision of the Director in Charge (DIC) will be final.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The event is open to teams of four, five or six players, each of whom is a paid-up ACBL Member and has no more than 10,000 recorded Masterpoints (MPs), including assigned eligibility points, as of the ACBL computer run immediately preceding the start of the NABC. Eligibility points added at any time prior to the start of the event will be considered. The teams will play at all times as mixed pairs: one male and one female.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1) The event consists of two qualifying and two final sessions. Four seven-board matches will be played each session. Victory point (VP) scoring (NABC Continuous 20-point scale) will be used throughout.
- 2) Players must play in at least four matches in the qualifying phase to be eligible to play in the finals, and at least four matches in the finals to be eligible for overall awards. Furthermore, players not prepared to play both days are ineligible.
- 3) An ineligible player is disqualified. The ineligible player's team may be disqualified, at DIC discretion. Any team reduced to fewer than three original members due to disqualification of ineligible players is disqualified. When a player's team is disqualified after the correction period for the event has ended, the disqualified team's position remains vacant. If the deficiency is discovered prior to a match starting, the result of the preceding match is changed; or, if discovered during a match, that match may be forfeit. The result of no other match is altered.

CONVENTIONS

Bidding and carding methods permitted, restricted, or not permitted in this event are per the ACBL Open+ Convention Chart.

SCORING AND PLAY

- 1) Both for qualification and final ranking, any fraction of a VP will be sufficient separation.
- 2) The number of teams qualifying for the finals will be approximately 50%, but in no case less than 40%, of the original field. When there is a tie for the last qualifying position(s), all teams tied will qualify to continue. If this results in an odd number of teams, one additional team will be selected, using current tie-breaking rules (see General CoC for Swiss Teams) if necessary.

- 3) The scores of the teams qualifying to the finals will be adjusted to a carryover by using the factor produced by the following formula:

$$C = S * (Q/E + 1)/2$$

Where C = carryover, S = raw score, Q = # of qualifiers & E = # of entrants.

If this factor produces a spread of more than one-and-one-half matches of victory points (30) then the appropriate factor is used to cause a spread of 30 points between the high & low qualifiers.

- 4) A team playing in the finals may meet any other team subject to the general conditions regarding pairing.
- 5) Boards may be duplicated across all matches of any or all sessions when possible. A board played in the same condition at both tables of a match will count even if it does not match the same board number played in other matches. Should any board played at one table not match the one played at the other, both results will be cancelled. No substitute board will be played.