

Appendix R Ribbon Event Eligibility

These Conditions of Contest (CoC) may not be changed during the course of these events.

BLUE RIBBON ELIGIBILITY

Qualifications that were won previous to 1991 that expired and/or were credited to a player entered in a Blue Ribbon event prior to 1991 no longer count as a Blue Ribbon qualification. In no instance may a qualification won prior to 1986 be counted.

- 1) First through eighth in the Vanderbilt, Spingold or Soloway KO Teams at NABC championships. First through 16th when an event runs seven days or longer.
- 2) First through 10th and all ties in all other nationally rated events that have an upper MP limit of more than 1500 MPs. First through 15th and all ties in a nationally rated six-session event with no upper MP limit.
- 3) Except for Side Game Series, first and second (including ties) in all gold point regionally rated events with no upper MP limit or with an upper MP limit of more than 2000 MPs. For Bracketed KOs, the foregoing applies to brackets with one team averaging at least 2000 MPs per player.
- 4) The 100 players having the greatest total of MPs as of the September 6th ACBL computer MP cycle.
- 5) All members of the Championship and Flight A District champions in the GNT and the winners and zonal champions in the Canadian National Team Championship Flight A.
- 6) Winners of the Canadian Women's Teams championship.
- 7) First and clear second in single-site district finals of North American Pairs – Flight A and Flight B. First and ties for first in multiple site District finals.
- 8) First and Second (including ties) in the National final of the Championship and Flight A of the GNT and Flights A and B of the NAP.
- 9) All current or past world champions.
- 10) Canadian Open Pairs – regionally rated (COPC), Mexican Grand National Teams, (MGNTC), Bermuda National Pairs (BNPC) and Bermuda National Teams (BNTC). First and second place finishers in the pair events and winners of the team events.

SILVER RIBBON ELIGIBILITY

Silver Ribbon eligibility will be earned for first and second place (and ties) in the following qualifying events:

- 1) Gold and/or red point regional and higher senior events of at least two sessions with an upper MP limit of at least 500.
- 2) Players with Blue Ribbon or Red Ribbon qualifications, provided that they meet the current ACBL's senior age requirements.

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RED RIBBON ELIGIBILITY

Qualifications that were won previous to 1991 that expired and/or were credited to a player entered in a Blue Ribbon event prior to 1991 no longer count as a Red Ribbon qualification. No qualification earned prior to 1986 may count.

- 1) First through eighth in all NABC KO events with an upper MP limit of at least 300 and not more than 1500.
- 2) First through 10th and ties in NABC events of four or more sessions that have an upper MP limit of no more than 2000 MPs.
- 3) First and second (including ties) in all regionally rated red or gold point events of two or more sessions that have an upper limit of at least 500 points and of no more than 2000 MPs.
- 4) Members of the Flight B and the Non-LM district champions in the GNT.
- 5) First and second (including ties) in Non-LM single-site district finals; first-place pairs at each site in split-site district finals.
- 6) First and second (including ties) overall in the NABC Pairs and first (including ties) overall in the YNABC Swiss Teams.
- 7) First and second place finishers in the national final of Flight B and Non-LM Flight of the GNT and the Non-LM Flight of NAP.
- 8) Players with a Blue Ribbon or Silver Ribbon qualification, provided they do not have more than 2500 MPs as of the last point notification prior to the event.
- 9) First and second in any bracket of a Bracketed KO which does not award 100% gold points for overall placing when no member of the team has more than 1500 MPs.

RIBBON RELATIONSHIPS

The following table shows how Blue Ribbon, Silver Ribbon and Red Ribbons Qualifications relate to the various Ribbon Pair events. A player with the Ribbon qualifier listed in the left column can compete in the indicated Ribbon Pair Events.

	Blue Ribbon Pairs	Silver Ribbon Pairs	Red Ribbon Pairs
Blue Ribbon Q	Yes	Yes*	Yes**
Silver Ribbon Q	No	Yes	Yes**
Red Ribbon Q	No	Yes*	Yes**

*- Provided the player is 60 years of age prior to the Spring NABC

** - Provided the player holds fewer than 2500 masterpoints as of the July 6th ACBL Masterpoint Cycle of that year