

## CHAPTER X - SECTIONALS

### B. FINANCE

#### Section 1 - General

- 1.1. Sponsoring organizations are required to pay all funds due the ACBL at the conclusion of the tournament.
- 1.2. The ACBL strongly recommends units and districts make student discounts available at sectionals and regionals.
- 1.3. All participants in any ACBL-sanctioned sectional tournament are required to have a valid ACBL member number (even if inactive). **(Effective March 1, 2018)**
- 1.4. Except for charity events or events limited to players with fewer than 20 masterpoints, and except for active members of the American Bridge Association: For all sectionals, the sponsoring organization will charge a mandatory additional fee of at least \$4 per person per session for inactive members.
  - a. For all sectionals, the sponsoring organization will charge a mandatory additional fee of at least \$4 per person per session for inactive members. For tournaments which are hosted in Canada the fee will be collected in Canadian dollars.
  - b. It is suggested that the sale signage present this as a discount to members.
  - c. The additional fee shall be remitted to the ACBL. Fees collected in Canadian dollars will have that amount converted to US dollars before being remitted.  
**(Effective March 1, 2018)**

#### Section 2 – Fees and Charges

- 2.1. Sectional tournaments are charged a surcharge in lieu of the transportation cost of the highest-ranking director, in addition to the usual table sanction fees and tournament director fees.
- 2.2. STaC sanction fees are calculated on a sliding scale dependent on the number of tables in the STaC.
- 2.3. The added fee of \$3.00 per player, that is required to be collected at sectionals from non-members or non-service paying LMs, is waived for STaCs.
- 2.4. Sectionals at sea have a unique schedule of fees and charges.

- 2.5 All of these fees are subject to annual review by the Board of Directors and are posted in the ACBL Handbook, Appendix G, Prices and Fees.
- 2.6 The sanction fee will be waived for sectional and regional tournament events which are designed to introduce new players to tournaments, and which do not charge entry fees.
- 2.7 The sanction fee for sectional tournaments limited to non-LM or to players with fewer than 500 masterpoints is \$1.00 less per table than for an open sectional.
- 2.8 No sanction fees will be charged for free fill-ins.
- 2.9 Management is authorized to waive any board mandated sanction fee for cause. This authority may be used for a specific event(s) or an entire tournament.