

# DISTRICT 2 GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

## 2024 Conditions of Contest

The event shall be composed of 4 Flights: The events will not be stratified.

Open Championship Flight	No masterpoint limits
Flight A	No player with over 6000 masterpoints
Flight B	No player with over 2500 masterpoints
Flight C	Non-Life Masters with under 500 masterpoints

All flights are defined by masterpoint holdings as of the September masterpoint cycle (run on Aug 6, 2023) determines a player's Flight eligibility.

### General Conditions

ACBL Conditions of Contest are a part of the District Conditions of Contest

A player must be a member of the ACBL in good standing and resident of District 2, in order to participate in the District Final.

A player's physical residence as of Sept 1, 2023 shall establish the district in which the member is eligible to participate beyond the qualifying stage.

### Event Schedule

Each Flight will play a separate event. All events will be played at the Toronto Easter regional on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> and if required Sunday March 31<sup>th</sup> depending on the number of teams that pre-register for each flight.

All winners will represent District 2 at the NABC, held in July 2024 in Toronto.

### Team Information

A team may have 4, 5 or 6 members. Each team must designate a Captain, and one person to participate in a committee (if one should arise). Members must play 50% of each KO match. Pre-registration to the District Final is required. Pre-qualification to the District Final is not required.

### General Information

The North American Final will be held in Toronto starting July 17, 2024.

District 2 will cover any session fees at the National Finals, not paid by ACBL

- Open+ Convention Chart applies in the Open Championship Flight. Written defences of special conventions need to be provided for each opponent as per the Open + regulations. Screens maybe used if available for the KO matches.
- Open Convention Chart applies in Flt A. Screens maybe used if available for the KO matches.
- Basic + Convention Chart applies in Flt B
- Basic + Convention Chart applies in Flt C

### Augmentation / Substitution to NABC Final

A team's composition may be modified by at most 2 players between the District Final and the NABC Final and at least 3 original members of the team must remain. ( i.e. Add 2 OR Add

1 + Substitute 1 OR Substitute 2) subject to approval by the District Coordinator or ACBL.

## **APPENDIX A: Team Movements for District 2 GNT Final**

The intent is to have all events with two stages if sufficient teams register:

1. Round-Robin or Swiss Qualifying ( 1 or 2 sessions ) depending on # teams registered. See below for details. 20 VP Scale
2. Knockout: Quarter-Finals ( 8+ teams ) Semi-Finals ( 1 session ) and/or Finals ( 2 session )

Boards per KO session:	Championship Flight – 26	Flight A - 26
	Flight B – 24	Flight C – 22

If there is a tie after Knockout match, a 4-board tie-breaker will be held.

If there is a tie after a Swiss movement, the ACBL Tie break using Imps and matches will be used. If the 2 teams tied in their head-to-head match, then: Net IMPs against common opponents, followed by net IMPs against all opponents, followed by coin flip

There will be no carryover between stages.

Details depending on # of teams registered. Flight C and possibly B have option to play fewer board totals.

One Team: No entry will be paid, no Masterpoints will be awarded  
The team will be eligible to represent District 2 at the National Final

Two Teams: 48 - board match – 2 sessions; played in 4 segments

Three Teams: 3-way to eliminate one team (Round-Robin style – 2 x 13 boards)  
Final: 26 boards, played in 2 segments

Four Teams: 1 session Round-Robin to determine seeding positions (3 x 9 boards)  
# 1 seed will choose their opponent for semi-final.

Five Teams: 1 session Round-Robin to determine 4 semi finalists (4 x 7 boards)  
# 1 position will choose their opponent for semi-final from # 3 -4.

Six or more Teams:

2 session Swiss to determine 4 semi finalists - # matches dependent on # entrants  
# 1 position will choose their opponent in semi-final from # 3 -4

Semi-final will be 26 boards played in 2 segments.  
Finals will be 26 boards played in 2 segments.