

North American Pairs (NAP) District 3 2024-2025 Conditions of Contest (District 3 Supplement to the ACBL NAP Conditions of Contest)

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INTRODUCTION

The National Conditions of Contest for the North American Pairs are established by the ACBL. Copies of the ACBL Conditions have been posted on the ACBL website. The ACBL Conditions cover such matters as Flight Eligibility, Club and Unit Level Participation, Conventions and Substitutes. Players entering the District Final of any flight must be members of District 3 and have qualified for that flight in a NAP club game.

- **Flight A:** Open to all D3 members who wish to participate
- **Flight B:** Open to all D3 members with less than 2500 master points
- **Flight C:** Open to all D3 members who are Non-life masters with fewer than 500 points

Individual masterpoint totals for flight eligibility are determined based on the June 2024 masterpoint cycle run by ACBL data processing on May 6, 2024. A person is considered to live in District 3 if their principal residence as of June 1, 2024 is in District 3.

Players earn qualifications by playing in a club or online game that is designated as an NAP qualifier. Qualifiers then compete in District Final on Oct 5, 2024 to earn qualification to National Final which will take place in Memphis, TN at the Spring NABCs in March 2025. Players can see their NAP qualification status on the ACBL website: <https://www.acbl.org/nap-qualifiers/>

CLUB QUALIFICATION

A player may qualify at any club or online game in North America that is designated as an NAP qualifying game during the months of June, July or August. You may qualify with anyone you want and play in your designated flight with anyone who has qualified in the flight you intend to compete in at the District level. Players can compete in the District Finals for all flights for which they are eligible.

DISTRICT FINAL

The District final will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church (55 George St, Allendale, NJ 07401) on Oct 5, 2024 and will determine the qualifiers for the National Final. The District Final will be a one-day, two-session event. Start time will be 10:00 a.m. with the second session beginning at approximately 2:30 p.m. Movements will be created by the Director in Charge as required by the attendance. The Director in Charge will resolve all contingencies or ambiguities relating to the format or playing conditions of the D3 finals that are not specifically addressed by these conditions.

District Representation at NABC

If a qualifying pair in the District final is unable to compete in the National ACBL finals, they will be replaced by the next highest finisher in their Flight. This process will repeat itself until the District has selected three qualified pairs for Flight A and four qualified pairs for each of Flights B and C. Ties which occur in any Flight at any location will be broken based upon criteria established by the ACBL. The ACBL will waive all entry fees for the NABC NAP finals.

Per the ACBL National Conditions of Contest, the MP section top awards for the D3 final are:

- **Flight A:** 32 MPs, gold
- **Flight B:** 22.5 MPs, gold
- **Flight C:** 15 MPs, 50% gold and 50% red

Permissible conventions:

- **Flight A:** Open+
- **Flight B:** Basic+
- **Flight C:** Basic+

Convention charts are published on the ACBL website.

First-place D3 winners in each Flight will receive (from the ACBL) \$1,400/pair subsidy to attend the 2025 Spring NABC Nationals in Memphis TN. Second-place pairs will receive \$600/pair subsidy. Third-place pairs are invited to participate in the national event and do not receive any subsidy from the ACBL. There will be no subsidy provided by D3. Each pair receiving the subsidy must attend and play in the NABC final event.