



## Membership Dues & Masterpoint Ranks

### Membership Dues

Type	Dues
One-Year New Member:	\$28
Regular One-Year Membership:	\$37
Three-Year Regular Membership:	\$105
One-Year Life Master Service Fee:	\$34*
Three-Year Life Master Service Fee:	\$96*
One-Year Household Membership:	\$68
Three-Year Household Membership:	\$192
One-Year Junior Membership (under age 26):	\$15
One-Year Patron Membership:	\$250
One-Year Household Patron Membership:	\$350

\* Applies to Life Masters who joined prior to Jan. 1, 1996 who did not allow their membership to lapse.

#### To all ACBL members who live outside North America:

Members who reside outside of North America may pay the postal charge of \$66.50 (U.S.) per year to have the Bridge Bulletin mailed to them. (This charge is in addition to the above membership dues.)

Also, members who prefer to pay for three-year memberships may also pay the postal charge for three years in advance (\$199.50).

Members may join by credit card online at <http://www.acbl.org/myACBL/?join>. Members may also send a check to the ACBL, 6575 Windchase Blvd., Horn Lake MS 38637-1523.



## MASTERPOINT Ranks — effective January 1, 2010

These rules apply to you if you joined the ACBL after January 1, 2010 or reinstated your membership after that date.

Title	Masterpoints Earned
<b>Rookie</b>	Fewer than 5
<b>Junior Master</b>	5
<b>Club Master</b>	20 (at least 5 black)
<b>Sectional Master</b>	50 (at least 10 black and 5 silver)
<b>Regional Master</b>	100 (at least 15 black, 15 silver, and 5 red or gold/platinum)
<b>NABC Master</b>	200 (at least 20 black, 25 silver, and 20 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 5 must be gold/platinum)
<b>Advanced NABC Master</b>	300 (at least 50 black, 50 silver, 50 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 25 must be gold/platinum)
<b>Life Master</b>	500 (at least 75 black, 75 silver, 100 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 50 must be gold/platinum)
<b>Silver Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 1,000 (at least 200 silver, red, gold or platinum)**
<b>Gold Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 2,500 (at least 500 silver, red, gold or platinum)**
<b>Diamond Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 5,000 (at least 1,000 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 250 must be gold or platinum)**
<b>Emerald Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 7,500 (at least 1,500 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 500 must be gold or platinum)**
<b>Platinum Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 10,000 (at least 2,000 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold or platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)**
<b>Grand Life Master*</b>	A Life Master with 10,000 (at least 2,000 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold or platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)**

\* This is the highest rank in the ACBL. It requires 10,000 Masterpoints and one victory in a North American Bridge Championship with no upper Masterpoint restriction or an Open Team Trials or its equivalent or a Women's Team Trials or its equivalent or any of the following WBF events: Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, Rosenblum Cup, McConnell Cup, Open Pairs, Women's Pairs, Olympiad, Women's Team Olympiad, WBF Senior Pairs event, WBF World Swiss Teams, WBF World Mixed Teams, and WBF Senior Teams.

\*\* Each player who has attained the rank of Life Master as of December 31, 2011, will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for their next rank advancement. After attaining their first rank after January 1, 2012, all players will be required to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for subsequent rank advancement. For example, a Diamond Life Master on 12/31/2011 will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements to attain the rank of Emerald Life Master. They would have to satisfy the pigmented point requirements for Platinum Life Master.



## MASTERPOINT Ranks — Prior to January 1, 2010

These rules apply to you if you joined the ACBL prior to January 1, 2010 and maintained continuous membership after that date.

Title	Masterpoints Earned
<b>Rookie</b>	Fewer than 5
<b>Junior Master</b>	5
<b>Club Master</b>	20
<b>Sectional Master</b>	50 (at least 5 silver)
<b>Regional Master</b>	100 (at least 15 silver, and 5 red, gold or platinum)
<b>NABC Master</b>	200 (at least 25 silver, 20 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 5 must be gold or platinum)
<b>Life Master</b>	300 (at least 50 black*, 50 silver, 50 red or gold/platinum,** of which at least 25 must be gold or platinum)
<b>Bronze Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 500
<b>Silver Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 1,000 (at least 200 silver, red, gold or platinum)***
<b>Gold Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 2,500 (at least 500 silver, red, gold or platinum)***
<b>Diamond Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 5,000 (at least 1,000 silver, red or gold/platinum, of which at least 250 must be gold or platinum)***
<b>Emerald Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 7,500 (at least 1,500 silver, red or gold/platinum, of which at least 500 must be gold or platinum)***
<b>Platinum Life Master</b>	A Life Master with 10,000 (at least 2,000 silver, red or gold/platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold/platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)***
<b>Grand Life Master****</b>	A Life Master with 10,000 (at least 2,000 silver, red or gold/platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold/platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)***

\* Any new Member or player in an unpaid status for six months or more after January 1, 1999, will be required to earn 50 black points to become a Life Master.

\*\* A Member who had red masterpoints or a fraction thereof prior to January 1, 1969, is required to possess at least 50 red or gold/platinum masterpoints in any combination to become a Life Master.

\*\*\* A Member who became a Life Master prior to January 1, 1990 will be exempt from the pigmented point requirements for this rank. Each player who has attained the rank of Life Master as of December 31, 2011, will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for their next rank advancement. After attaining their first rank after January 1, 2012, all players will be required to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for subsequent rank advancement. For example, a Diamond Life Master on 12/31/2011 will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements to attain the rank of Emerald Life Master. They would have to satisfy the pigmented point requirements for Platinum Life Master.

\*\*\*\* This is the highest rank in the ACBL. It requires 10,000 Masterpoints and one victory in a North American Bridge Championship with no upper Masterpoint restriction or an Open Team Trials or its equivalent or a Women's Team Trials or its equivalent or any of the following WBF events: Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, Rosenblum Cup, McConnell Cup, Open Pairs, Women's Pairs, Olympiad, Women's Team Olympiad, WBF Senior Pairs event, WBF World Swiss Teams, WBF World Mixed Teams, and WBF Senior Teams.

# The Color of Masterpoints

Be sure to know the color of masterpoints you can earn for various events.

## There are five types of colored masterpoints:



Net Points are awarded for online play and are colorless.



Black Points are won in sanctioned club games, unit games and events not qualifying for red, silver or gold points.



Silver Points are awarded for events at sectional tournaments, including newcomer games and side events. Progressive Sectionals and Sectional Tournaments at Clubs also award silver points.



Red Points are awarded at regional tournaments and regional events at NABC's. Grand National Team (GNT) events and North American Pairs (NAP) events afford players the opportunity to earn red points at their local clubs.



Gold Points are awarded for placing overall and section tops in regional and NABC events of two or more sessions, where the top masterpoint limit is at least 750. Gold points may be given for special games such as the Instant Matchpoint Game, Grand National Team and North American Pair events.



Platinum Points are awarded for NABC+ events and include the national-rated senior and women's events with no upper masterpoint limit, but they are not awarded for Junior, Flight B or other restricted events.



## Three Easy ways to join today.

### Go

online at [www.acbl.org](http://www.acbl.org)

### Call

us at **800-264-2743**

### Mail

a completed application to:

**American Contract Bridge League**

**6575 Windchase Blvd.**

**Horn Lake MS 38637-1523**