

**Conditions of Contest
ACBL GNT 2021-2022
District 1**

ACBL General Conditions of Contest for the current cycle apply,
Described in the ACBL Grand National Teams Conditions of Contest
<http://web2.acbl.org/documentLibrary/play/coc/gnt/GNT2021-22.pdf>

Special attention to:
**Replacements and Substitutions,
Ineligible Players & Disqualifications,
Tie Breakers,
Masterpoints,
Alternate Security provisions,
and**

<https://web2.acbl.org/documentLibrary/play/AppendixO.pdf> (Online Play)

Zero Tolerance

The ACBL Policy on Zero Tolerance will be observed at all levels of the GNT competition

<https://www.acbl.org/conduct-and-ethics/zero-tolerance-policy/>

These are **District 1 specific** Conditions of Contest:

1. Club Games

District 1 encourages club level games for participation in the District final. However, club participation is not required. All participants of any club level Grand National Team Game will earn entry to the District finals.

~~Teams/players not participating in a club level game may play in the District Finals, but they pay the higher entry fee.~~

~~**Fee:** \$80/team + \$20 for each player who does not have a club level qualification~~

Payment:

Interac Transfers

Sent to **Eastern Canadian Bridge Conference** at jlatraverse@videotron.ca

One payment per team, be sure to mention Team Captain name in notes.

2. District Finals will be run **online**, on Bridge Base Online, due to district size, geographically.

Appendix O to the ACBL General Conditions of Contest: Online Play apply (described in <https://web2.acbl.org/documentLibrary/play/AppendixO.pdf>)

Dates:

Championship Flight: May 14-15

Flight A: May 7-8

Flight B: May 14, if needed May 15

Flight C: May 7, if needed May 8

Times (for each day):

1st session: 10 am Eastern / 11 am Atlantic

2nd session: 3 pm Eastern / 4pm Atlantic

TBD for Tie-Breaks (only if needed)

3. Pre – Registration

Needed due to the need of pre-payment.

Contact coordinator for eligibility (e-mail preferred, Subject: GNT Registration, list of player names, ACBL numbers and BBO nicknames, detail: Flight (Championship/A/B/C),, Captain, Appeals member, if applicable.

Captaincy

Each team will designate the team Captain from amongst its own playing members or a non-playing team Captain on its registration entry, and said Captain will be responsible for all representation of the team.

Team Composition and Play

Teams may consist of four, five or six players. Eligible players may be added at any time before actual competition begins. Each player must play at least 50% of the total boards played by the team. Exceptions to this rule may be made by request to the GNT Coordinator.

Appeals Committee Requirements

Each team that participates in either the Championship Flight or Flight A must designate prior to play on the entry form one (or more) of its players to serve as a committee member if necessary. Those designated players must be available after each session to serve if so requested. The Tournament Director(s) should assemble any committees from amongst these players designated. Designated players must not leave the premises without verifying with the Tournament Director that their services will not be required.

4. The IMPs scale will be used, converted to VP using the NABC+ scale for RR and Swiss

Championship Flight and Flight A:

TEAMS	First day	Second day (KO unless specified)
2	Two 24 board matches (2 halves)	None
3	Round Robin. Two 24 board matches (4 quarters)	Two survivors
4	Round Robin. Three 18 board matches (2 halves)	Two survivors
5	Round Robin. Four 12 board matches (2 halves)	Two survivors. 3rd place match tie-break.
6	Round Robin. Five 10 board matches (2 halves)	Two survivors. 3rd place match tie-break.
7	Round Robin. Six 8 board matches	Two survivors. 3rd place match tie-break.
8	Round Robin. Seven 7 board matches	Four survivors. First placed team chooses opponent. 3rd place match tie-break.
9	Round Robin. Eight 6 board matches	Four survivors. First placed team chooses opponent. 3rd place match tie-break.
10-15	Swiss. Six 8 board matches	Four survivors. First placed team chooses opponent. 3rd place match tie-break.
16+	Swiss, Eight 6 board matches.	Eight survivors. Round Robin. Seven 7 board matches. Carryover applies as per ACBL regulations.

Flights B and C:

Same as above for First day.

No Second day for less than 10 teams. Same as above for 10+ teams.

5. District Winners

The winning team of each flight is eligible to compete in the National Final, which are scheduled to be held at the Summer Providence, R.I. NABC Wednesday, July 13th through Sunday, July 17th. Should the first-place team in any flight not elect to advance to the National Finals, the second-place team will be extended the invitation to participate. Then third-place team, then fourth, etc.

All teams advancing to the National level must contain at least half (rounded up; 4 handed needs 2 players, 5 & 6 handed need 3 players) of the players, who participated in the District Final.

6. Stipend

Teams that represent the District at the National Finals will receive a stipend to help finance a trip to the NABC. Each team representing the District will receive a stipend from the District. Payment of the stipend is contingent upon the team's participation in the National competition and the payment will be made after the completion of play at the National Finals in Providence.

If the National Finals are conducted online, teams will receive no stipend from the District.

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