

## 2023-2024 NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS (NAP)

### District 1 Conditions of Contest

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In complement to the ACBL Conditions of Contest (CoC), the following describes how the representing pairs will be selected for participation for the ACBL NAP finals to be held at the Spring NABC in Louisville, Kentucky, in March 2024.

#### District Finals

Flight B & C will hold face-to-face “split-site District finals”: one final takes place in the Eastern portion of the district (Units 194 & 230), and another in the Western portion of the district (Units 151, 152, 192 & 199).

Flight A will be held online via Bridge Base Online (BBO).

The Unit stage of the NAP competition will NOT be conducted in District 1. Players who qualify at the club level advance directly to the District Finals.

Players are called to pre-register for the event(s) for which they wish to play. An email should be sent to [acbl.district1@gmail.com](mailto:acbl.district1@gmail.com)

#### Flight A (Open) – Online BBO

- District-wide final will be held **Saturday November 4th, 2023**
- Two-session event, the first session will begin at 10:30 am ET / 11:30 am AT
- \$15USD per player event entry fee (collected by BBO)

#### Flight B (0-2500)

- East & West Final will be held **Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
- Locations face-to-face
  - West: **St-Lambert, QC**
  - East: **Codiac Bridge Club, Moncton, NB**
- Two-session event, the first session will begin at 10:00 am local time
- \$25CAN per player event entry fee (collected at time of entry)

#### Flight C (Non-Life Master under 500)

- East & West Final will be held **Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
- Locations face-to-face
  - West: **Arnprior Bridge Club (Ottawa Valley), ON**
  - East: **Bridge Studio, Halifax, NS**
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- Two-session event, the first session will begin at 10:00 am local time
- \$25CAN per player event entry fee (collected at time of entry)

## District Representation at NAP Finals

### Qualification and Subsidies

- Historically District 1 has run F2F qualifiers with east and west games in all flights
- Qualification and Subsidies are allocated to east and west players in accordance with notes below.
- With advent of online games and intervention of pandemic restrictions some qualifiers have been run online as single district wide games.
- When qualifiers are run as district wide games qualification and subsidies will no longer be allocated on east/west basis but will be awarded to top finishers in order.

### Flight A (Open) - Single district wide online qualifier

- District 1 can send three (3) pairs to the ACBL NAP finals.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: \$700.00 subsidy per player from ACBL
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$300.00 per player from ACBL
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: earns the right to attend the finals with no ACBL subsidy.
- If, for some reason, a place is forfeited, the next ranking pair will be moved up until the three pairs have been determined.

### Flight B (0-2500) & Flight C (Non-Life Master under 500) - Separate East and West F2F qualifiers

- District 1 can send four (4) pairs to the ACBL NAP Finals.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: \$700.00 subsidy per player from ACBL
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$300.00 per player from ACBL
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place: earn the right to attend the ACBL Finals with no ACBL subsidy.
- In the even numbered years for the ACBL Finals, the 1<sup>st</sup> place subsidy, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place non-subsidized participation are awarded to the Western portion of District 1, the Eastern portion being awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> place subsidy and 4<sup>th</sup> non-subsidized seat for the finals.
- In the odd numbered years of the ACBL Finals, the 1<sup>st</sup> place subsidy, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> non-subsidized participation are awarded to the Eastern portion, the Western portion being awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> place subsidy and the 4<sup>th</sup> place non-subsidized seat for the finals.
- If, for some reason, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place pair chooses not to attend the finals, their place will be offered to the next pair on the list of their portion of the district and that pair will receive the subsidy allotted to their district portion as described above. Each portion of the district goes down its own list to send two pairs.
- If one portion of the district cannot fill its two seats for the ACBL NAP Finals, the available seat will be offered to the other portion of the district (and subsidy if applicable).

***Tie-Break:*** *If there is a tie between two or more pairs in a district final, the score of these pairs will be recalculated to determine the pair that finishes before the other. For comparable boards, the calculations will be as follows: +1 for a win, +½ for a tie, 0 for a loss.*

### Player subsidies

**“Grass Roots”** funds: It is the district board’s decision whether to allot some subsidy from the funds. Individual Units can also decide where or not to subsidize players who may be winners from their Unit.