# NSWBA SWISS PAIRS CONGRESSES

# **Supplementary Tournament Regulations**

These competitions are conducted under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017, supplemented by the Tournament Regulations of the NSWBA as amended and these Supplementary Regulations. In case of conflict between these Supplementary Regulations and the NSWBA Tournament Regulations, the Supplementary Regulations shall apply.

#### 1. Format

- 1.1 These regulations apply to one-day Swiss Pairs Congresses run by the NSWBA.
- 1.2 Seven 8-board matches will be played, 3 matches in session 1, 4 matches in session 2. If there is a small entry, six 9-board rounds may be played instead at the Director's discretion.
- 1.3 The field will be seeded into top and bottom sections of equal size. In the first round, one pair from the top section will be randomly drawn to play against a pair from the bottom section. The draw for subsequent rounds will be on the single-field Swiss principle.
- 1.4 Scoring will be by IMPs against a datum, calculated as the arithmetic mean of the scores at all tables after eliminating the highest and lowest 10% of scores (0.5 rounded up).
- 1.5 If an odd number of pairs enter, the NSWBA will provide a house pair. The house pair pays no entry fee, but is not entitled to any prizemoney.
- 1.6 IMP differences in each match are converted to VPs in accordance with the ABF VP scales for Swiss Pairs events.

8-board matches				
IMP diff	VP score	IMP diff	VP score	
0	10.00 - 10.00	16	15.74 - 4.26	
1	10.39 - 9.61	17	16.03 - 3.97	
2	10.78 - 9.22	18	16.32 - 3.68	
3	11.17 - 8.83	19	16.61 - 3.39	
4	11.56 - 8.44	20	16.90 - 3.10	
5	11.95 - 8.05	21	17.19 - 2.81	
6	12.34 - 7.66	22	17.48 - 2.52	
7	12.73 - 7.27	23	17.76 - 2.24	
8	13.12 - 6.88	24	18.04 - 1.96	
9	13.51 - 6.49	25	18.32 - 1.68	
10	13.90 - 6.10	26	18.60 - 1.40	
11	14.29 - 5.71	27	18.88 - 1.12	
12	14.58 - 5.42	28	19.16 - 0.84	
13	14.87 - 5.13	29	19.44 - 0.56	
14	15.16 - 4.84	30	19.72 - 0.28	
15	15.45 - 4.55	31	20.00 - 0.00	

9-board matches				
IMP diff	VP score	IMP diff	VP score	
0	10.00 - 10.00	18	16.00 - 4.00	
1	10.36 - 9.64	19	16.25 - 3.75	
2	10.72 - 9.28	20	16.50 - 3.50	
3	11.08 - 8.92	21	16.75 - 3.25	
4	11.44 - 8.56	22	17.00 - 3.00	
5	11.80 - 8.20	23	17.25 - 2.75	
6	12.16 - 7.84	24	17.50 - 2.50	
7	12.52 - 7.48	25	17.75 - 2.25	
8	12.88 - 7.12	26	18.00 - 2.00	
9	13.24 - 6.76	27	18.25 - 1.75	
10	13.60 - 6.40	28	18.50 - 1.50	
11	13.95 - 6.05	29	18.75 - 1.25	
12	14.30 - 5.70	30	19.00 - 1.00	
13	14.65 - 5.35	31	19.25 - 0.75	
14	15.00 - 5.00	32	19.50 - 0.50	
15	15.25 - 4.75	33	19.75 - 0.25	
16	15.50 - 4.50	34	20.00 - 0.00	
17	15.75 - 4.25			

### 2. Fees

2.1 As advertised on the brochure. This may or may not include lunch and may be free for some players if the congress also functions as a consolation event for a State Championship.

# **3 Correction periods**

- 3.1 For session 1, the start of session 2.
- 3.2 For session 2, 5 minutes after the posting of the scores.

### 4 Tie Breaks

4.1 Ties will not be broken. Any titles or prize money will be shared equally.