

STATE OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2017
NSWBA QUALIFYING EVENT
Supplementary Tournament Regulations

This competition is conducted under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2007, 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 The Event

- 1.1 This event qualifies pairs to play in the State Open Pairs Finals on 18-19 November, 2017.
- 1.2 The event will be held over two nights as scheduled in the official NSWBA Program.
- 1.3 Each session will be scored using standard matchpointing with scores being tabulated as percentages.
- 1.4 The percentage scores for each pair over the two nights will be summed to calculate each pair's final score.
- 1.5 Movements each week will be at the discretion of the Director.

2 Entry and Eligibility

- 2.1 Every player must be an active member of the Australian Bridge Federation masterpoint system.
- 2.2 Players do not need to be members of the NSWBA.
- 2.3 Each pair should specify which sessions they plan to attend at the time of entry via the NSWBA on-line entry system.
- 2.4 Casual pairs will be accepted into the field each week.

3 Fees

Standard table money of \$18 per player per session for NSWBA/SBC members (\$21 for non-members) applies.

4 Substitutions

- 4.1 Pairs playing both sessions are allowed one substitution. Pairs exceeding this limit will be treated as casual pairs.
- 4.2 Requests for substitution must be made via the standard NSWBA on-line Substitution Form and, except in case of emergency, submitted at least 5 days in advance.

5 Systems

- 5.1 No Yellow systems will be permitted.
- 5.2 Pairs may not claim protected pair status.

6 Prizes

- 6.1 For an event with total entry of n pairs, the top $n/6$ eligible pairs (0.5 rounded up) will have their entry to the State Open Pairs Final on 18-19 November 2017 paid by the NSWBA. Should any such pair opt not to enter the Finals, their prize is forfeited.
- 6.2 All other eligible pairs may enter the State Open Pairs Finals for \$60 per pair.

7 Masterpoints

- 7.1 Red masterpoints will be awarded at State Championship level with a weighting of 5.00.
- 7.2 Masterpoints are awarded on a sessional basis only - there are no outright awards.