

2025 Gold Coast Congress Systems Regulations

- 1.1 GREEN and BLUE systems are permitted without restriction.
- 1.2 RED systems and BROWN STICKER conventions are permitted in all events except for the **Restricted and Novice Pairs Championships, Restricted and Novice Teams Championships, 0-50MP events, Rookie Pairs events and Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs – Restricted and Novice**. In addition in these events, the Chief Tournament Director may also further restrict a pair from playing any method which the director judges may not be readily understood by a significant proportion of players in the field.
- 1.3 Eligible pairs may claim Protected Pair status in all events with the exception of the major Final of the **Open Pairs Championship**.
- 1.4 Provided 1.5 has been complied with, YELLOW systems will be allowed in the **Open Teams Championship** from Round 3 onwards, but may not be played against a contestant with a current position in the lower two-thirds of the field (decimals rounded up).
- 1.5 Pairs intending to play a YELLOW system must provide the Tournament Organiser with an adequately completed ABF Standard system card and a bona fide defence before 10.00am on January 24, 2025.