

# HANS G ROSENDORFF MEMORIAL MIXED SWISS PAIRS 2025

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### 1 General

- 1.1 The Hans G Rosendorf Memorial Mixed Swiss Pairs 2025 (MMP) is conducted by the Bridge Association of Western Australia (BAWA) in conjunction with the ABF in accordance with the ABF Tournament Regulations (ABF TR) as augmented by these Supplementary Regulations.
- 1.2 The venue is the Melville Bridge Club, 431 Canning Highway, Melville, Western Australia.
- 1.3 Players must use the methods and equipment in the manner specified by the Tournament Organiser (TO). Players must record the score for each board after it is played and before the commencement of the next board. It is an offence to leave the table at the conclusion of a match without first confirming the completeness and validity of the data entered into the scoring unit. Every player present at the table is equally responsible for the accuracy of the scores.
- 1.4 Smoking will be permitted only in the designated smoking areas. Breach of this regulation incurs a disciplinary penalty (see 5.3)
- 1.5 Mobile telephones, iPads, iPods and other electronic communication equipment must be switched off during session time. Breach of this regulation incurs a disciplinary penalty, after one warning (see 5.3)
- 1.6 Mobile telephones, iPads and other electronic communication equipment may not be consulted or used during the session, unless a specific exception is permitted by the CTD. Breach of this regulation incurs an automatic disciplinary penalty (see 5.3) in the first

instance. In the case of further breaches by the same pair, the CTD will assess a more severe penalty, which may include forfeiture or disqualification.

- 1.7 The TO may grant permission for still or moving photographs to be taken during the course of the event. Players may only refuse to be photographed for religious or cultural reasons deemed valid by the TO or CTD.
- 1.8 Depending on the number of entries, event format may be varied by the TO. This may include changing the number or length of matches, or other actions to ensure the viability of the event. If the number of entrants is fewer than twice the number of rounds to be played, the modified Swiss format may be implemented (see Appendices).
- 1.9 Expressions used here that have not been assigned a specific definition will be interpreted by referring first to the ABF Tournament Regulations, thereafter to the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, 2017, and finally to their ordinary English meaning. In the event of doubt or dispute, the decision of the CTD shall be final and conclusive.
- 1.10 Western Australian State Covid regulations will apply to this event. ([www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus/covid-19-coronavirus-what-you-can-and-cant-do](http://www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus/covid-19-coronavirus-what-you-can-and-cant-do)). All players must also adhere to any additions or modifications announced by the TO at any time.

## **2 Officials**

- 2.1 The Tournament Organiser is Sandra Hardie.
- 2.2 The Chief Tournament Director is Neville Walker.
- 2.3 The Reviewer is Chris Mulley .
- 2.4 The Review Consultant is TBA.
- 2.5 The ABF on site representative is Allison Stralow.
- 2.6 The Recorder is TBA.

## **3 Eligibility, Augmentation and Substitutions**

- 3.1 At the time of commencement of an event, each Australian resident entrant must be a financial member of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme and of an organisation affiliated to the ABF or to an Australian State Bridge Association. Overseas players become honorary members of the Foreign Players Club.
- 3.2 A substitute may be allowed with prior approval of the CTD for up to 4 rounds. In addition, the CTD may allow emergency substitutions for substantial cause and may impose any conditions in doing so and may take whatever other action is considered necessary to keep the tournament in motion.
- 3.3 To ensure the smooth running of the tournament, the TO may nominate a “house contestant” to compete in any event. The TO will make every effort to nominate eligible players, but is at

liberty to nominate others in case of necessity. The conditions under which the “house contestant/s” compete will, subject to ABF TR 3.5, be at the discretion of the CTD.

#### **4 Systems and Defences**

- 4.1 GREEN, BLUE and RED systems and BROWN STICKER conventions are permitted. YELLOW systems will not be allowed.

#### **5 Disciplinary and Procedural Penalties**

- 5.1 In a Swiss movement penalties are included in the overall ranking, but the draw is determined by the scores excluding penalties.
- 5.2 The general provisions of ABF TR 12 concerning punctuality and slow play apply. The table of penalties is listed in the Appendices.
- 5.3 The disciplinary penalty for breach of regulations relating to smoking (1.4) and mobile phones (1.5, 1.6) is 3 VPs.

#### **6 Correction Period and Time for Requesting a Review of a Director’s Ruling**

- 6.1 The Correction Period (Law 79C) for matches 1 to 7 expires 30 minutes after the conclusion of the session for which the change is sought. The Correction Period for matches 8 and 9 expires 20 minutes after the conclusion of the last session. The CTD has the discretion to alter this period after giving notice to the players of such change.
- 6.2 The time for requesting a Review of a Director’s Ruling (Law 92B) for matches 1-8 expires 30 minutes after the end of the match for which the ruling was made. The time for requesting a Review of a Director’s Ruling (Law 92B) for match 9 expires 20 minutes after the end of the match.

#### **7 Fouled and Unplayable Boards**

- 7.1 A fouled board is scored by:
  - (a) treating the board as two separate entities and calculating separate datums after

eliminating the two (3-7 results) or four (results >7) extreme scores, respectively; or  
(b) proceeding as per 7.2 to 7.5 below.

- 7.2 At a table where an artificial adjusted score is awarded on a single board, the assigned IMP score is 2 IMPs for both sides.
- 7.3 In the case of multiple fouled boards, artificial adjusted scores are awarded as detailed in the Appendices.
- 7.4 For boards on which a result is unable to be obtained and the Director awards an artificial adjusted score of average plus, the provisions of 7.1 to 7.5 will apply.
- 7.5 Where due to the fouling of multiple boards, direct comparisons are available on less than one-half the boards in the match, the match will be scored in accordance with ABF TR 15.1 (Forfeits), treating both pairs as non-offenders.

## **8 Ties**

- 8.1 At the conclusion of the event, ties will be broken for first place in accordance with ABF TR 17, as detailed in the Appendices. Ties for other places will not be broken.

## **9 Event formats**

- 9.1 The MMP will be played as single field Swiss event consisting of 9 x 12 board matches, played over 4 sessions.
  - 9.1.1 Scoring will be by IMPs against a datum calculated as in 9.1.2. IMPs are converted to VPs in accordance with the ABF Swiss Pairs VP scale for 12 board matches.
  - 9.1.2 The datum will be the arithmetic mean (rounded to the closest 10) of all scores after eliminating the highest and lowest  $x/10$  scores (0.5 rounded up) where  $x$  is the number of tables in play. Separate datums will be calculated for each event.

If the number of entrants for the MMP is 48 or more pairs

The datum will be the arithmetic mean of all the scores under consideration after eliminating the highest and lowest  $x/10$  scores (0.5 rounded up) where  $x$  is the number of scores under consideration:

- a) for Matches 1-3, the datum will be calculated considering the scores obtained at all tables;
- b) for Matches 4-6, the datum will be calculated considering the scores obtained at the top  $n/2$  tables (0.5 rounded up), where  $n$  is the number of tables in play;
- c) for Matches 7-9, the datum will be calculated considering the scores obtained at the top 12 tables

9.2 The time allowed per round will be announced by the CTD.

9.3 The session starting times are 10.00 am and 1.45 pm.

## **10 Playoff Qualifying Points**

10.1 Playoff Qualifying Points (PQP) are awarded to each eligible player in the MSP as below

Place	1	2	3	4	5	6
PQP	20	14	10	6	4	2

10.2 To be eligible for PQP, each player must play at least 4 matches.

10.3 Tied pairs share the available points.

## Appendices

### Penalties for Late Arrival, Slow Play, Failure to enter or check scores

The penalties for Late Arrival and Slow Play under ABF TR 10 are:

0-5 mins	warning for first offence, then 1 VP for each subsequent offence
5-10 mins	1 VP
10-15 mins	2 VPs
15-20 mins	3 VPs
20-30 mins	5 VPs

For late arrival in excess of 30 minutes, the CTD may assess a more severe penalty including forfeiture of the match and/or disqualification from the event.

When boards are cancelled by the director due to a failure to complete them on time, the following penalties may be applied at the Director's discretion:

One board	1 VP
Subsequent boards	2 VPs

When players fail to enter scores into the scoring unit before leaving the table, or where an incorrect score has been entered and agreed, the following penalties may be applied to both pairs:

First offence	warning
Subsequent offences	1 VP per occasion

### Tie-breaking

Significant ties are broken by (in order): sum of opponents' VPs, number of wins, net IMPs, lot.

### Modified Swiss format

In Swiss Pairs or Swiss Teams events where the number of entrants is fewer than twice the number of rounds to be played, a round-robin or modified Swiss format will be implemented.

If the numbers are appropriate, a full round robin movement will be implemented, with the possibility of a round or rounds to determine final placings.

Otherwise, a normal Swiss movement will be used up to and including Round  $n/2 + 1$  (even number of rounds) or Round  $(n+1)/2$  (odd number of rounds). In subsequent rounds, the Swiss movement continues with all scores retained. A pair may play another pair which it previously played in Rounds 1 to  $n/2$  (even number of rounds) or Rounds 1 to  $(n-1)/2$  (odd number of rounds). "n" represents the number of rounds in the event.

Examples:

\* 8 rounds – standard Swiss up to and including the draw for Round 5. In rounds 6, 7 and 8, the Swiss draw continues, but pairs may play a pair previously played in Rounds 1-4.

\* 9 rounds – standard Swiss up to and including the draw for Round 5. In rounds 6, 7, 8 and 9, the Swiss draw continues, but pairs may play a pair previously played in Rounds 1-4.

## Calculation of Multiple average plus awards during a session or match

Where the Laws require the Director to award an artificial adjusted score of average plus on more than one board in a session or match (as in the case of fouled or otherwise unplayable boards), the score awarded per board shall be:

IMP scored Pairs events: an IMP score of  $2\sqrt{N}/N$  where N is the number of unplayable boards.

In IMP scored events, the net IMPs in a match assigned due to these formulas will be rounded to the nearest IMP (0.5 IMPs rounded up).

The following table lists the IMPs to be assigned for each successive board in the case of multiple average plus boards:

Number of fouled/unplayable boards	Net IMPs assigned (Pairs)
1	2
2	1
3	0
4	1
5	0
6	1

## Anticipated Start/Finishing Times

The following time is provided solely as a guide to players and may change depending on event formats and other circumstances:

Saturday 10:00 am to 6.30 pm

Sunday 10.00 am to 4.45 pm