

OPEN AND WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

The General Conditions of Contest for board-a-match team events will apply to this event, subject to the following special conditions of contest.

These Conditions of Contest may not be changed at any level of play during the course of this event.

Lack of knowledge does not constitute cause for exemption.

1. The Women's BAM is open only to teams consisting of four, five or six women each of whom is a paid up ACBL member. For all details concerning the Women's International Team Trials, i.e. eligibility regulations, tie breaking procedures etc., consult your federation's (United States, Canada or Bermuda) Conditions. The Open BAM is open to teams of any four, five or six players each of whom is a paid up ACBL member.
2. The event consists of four sessions: two qualifying and two final sessions, board-a-match scoring. The seeds shall be offset in paired Mirror-Mitchell sections whenever the entire qualifying or final segment is not a complete round robin.
3. Players must play at least one full session in the qualifying session to be eligible to play in the finals and at least one full session in the finals to receive overall awards.
4. Both for qualification and final ranking, any fraction of a board will be sufficient separation.
5. Approximately 50% (but in no case less than 40%) of the field will qualify for the two final sessions. Ties for the last qualifying position will be broken as per ACBL Regulation. The scores of the teams qualifying to the finals will be reduced to a carryover by using the percentage of the number of teams qualified over the number of teams entered. The maximum carryover cannot exceed 5 boards.
6. In the Women's Board-a-Match: If space and size of field permit, screens will be used for the final two sessions at the discretion of the Director-in-Charge.

7. An ineligible player is disqualified. The ineligible player's team will be disqualified unless the Director-in-Charge determines that teammates were unaware of the deficiency of the disqualified member. Any team reduced to fewer than three original members due to disqualification of ineligible players is disqualified.

When a team is disqualified after the correction period for the event has ended because the deficiency was discovered then, the disqualified team's position remains vacant. In ongoing events, teams move up one position as appropriate.

8. With regards to any of the above or any of the general ACBL conditions for Board-A-Match team games the decision of the Director in Charge shall be final.