

SPRING NABC  
OPEN, WOMEN'S AND MIXED PAIRS  
SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

The General Conditions of Contest for pair 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 Spring NABC Open, Women's and Mixed Pairs will all consist of four sessions, two qualifying and two final.
2. The Open Pairs is open to any two players each of whom is a paid up ACBL member. In the Women's Pairs all participants must be female paid up ACBL members. In the Mixed Pairs all partnerships must consist of one man and one woman each of whom is a paid up ACBL member.
3. For the two qualifying sessions the field will be divided into comparison/qualifying groups of two or three sections. (N.B. Across the field scoring may be used). The matchpoints on each board will be calculated across each group. Approximately 50% (but in no case less than 40%) of the field in each group will qualify for the two final sessions. Ties for the last qualifying position will be broken as per ACBL regulation.
4. There will be a carryover from the qualifying sessions to the final. The carryover will be calculated as per ACBL regulations but the spread from top to bottom can be no greater than four boards.
5. For purposes of qualifying or for determining final overall ranking any fraction of a match point will be sufficient separation.
6. Regarding any of the above or any of the general conditions of ACBL pair events, the decision of the Director in Charge shall be final.