

# 2017-2018 North American Pairs

## District 14 Conditions of Contest (COC) Supplement to the ACBL COC

District 14 follows the ACBL Conditions of Contest (COC) for the North American Pairs as established by the ACBL plus this Supplement. This is the link to the ACBL COC:

[http://www.acbl.org/tournaments\\_page/charts-rules-and-regulations/tournament-specific-regulations/conditions-of-contest/conditions-of-contest-north-american-pairs/](http://www.acbl.org/tournaments_page/charts-rules-and-regulations/tournament-specific-regulations/conditions-of-contest/conditions-of-contest-north-american-pairs/). These are also posted on the District 14 website along with this Supplement.

### **Qualification**

In order to play in the District 14 NAP Final, players must be members of District 14 and have qualified for their flight or a higher flight in a NAP Club Qualifying game.

Flight masterpoints are determined as of the June masterpoint cycle run by ACBL data Processing on May 6, 2017. Any points won but not included in this cycle do not affect masterpoint eligibility.

Flight A is open to all Players

Flight B is open to Players with fewer than 2,500

Flight C is open to Players who are Non-Life Masters with fewer than 500

Qualification at the Club level covers three months: June, July and August. To participate in the District finals in any Flight, players must have qualified at the Club level for their Flight or a higher Flight.

### **District 14 NAP Final**

The District 14 NAP Final will be a four-session playthrough event for Flights A, B, and C. The District Final will be held October 7-8, 2017 at the Edina Senior Center, 5280 Grandview Square, Edina, MN 55436.

For Flight A only, ACBL mid-chart conventions will be allowed. The top three pairs will be determined by the final results and will represent District 14 in the National final.

For Flight B, the top four pairs will be determined by the final results and will represent District 14 in the National final.

For Flight C, the top four pairs will be determined by the final results and will represent District 14 in the National final.

If a qualifying pair in the District final is unable to compete in the National NAP finals, they will be replaced by the next highest finisher in their Flight. This process will repeat itself until the District has selected three qualified pairs in Flight A and four qualified pairs in Flights B and C.

Ties which occur in any Flight at any location will be broken based upon criteria established by the ACBL.

First-place District winners in each Flight will receive (from ACBL) \$700 per person subsidy to attend the Spring NABC Nationals. Second-place pairs will receive \$300 per person subsidy. Third-place pairs are invited to participate in the national event and will not receive any subsidy from the ACBL. District 14 will reimburse each second-place player \$200 in addition to the ACBL subsidy and each third place and fourth place player \$350. Each person receiving the subsidy must attend and play in the NABC final event. The ACBL will waive all entry fees for the NABC finals.

### **National NAP Finals**

The ACBL NAP Finals will be held in conjunction with the Spring North American Bridge Championships (NABC) in Philadelphia, PA on March 11-12, 2018 for Flight C and Flight B players and on March 7-8 ,2018 for Flight A players.

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