

NABC 10K IMP Pairs Special Conditions of Contest

The General Conditions of Contest (CoC) for pairs events will apply, subject to the following special CoC. These CoC may not be changed during the event.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

This event is open to any two paid ACBL members who have no more than 10,000 recorded masterpoints (MPs) as of the ACBL computer run of the month preceding the event.

CONVENTIONS

Bidding and carding methods permitted, restricted or not permitted in this event are per the ACBL Mid-Chart.

SCORING AND PLAY

1. The NABC 10K IMP Pairs consists of four sessions: two qualifying and two final, scored by IMPs as follows:
 - Each pair's result on a board shall be compared with every other pair's result. The difference in the results shall be converted to IMPs subject to a maximum 17 IMP differential.
 - Calculate the average IMPs for that pair on that board.
 - The unrounded average IMPs is the pair's score on that board (the score will be published rounded to the nearest hundredth).
 - A pair's final score for a session is the sum of the scores on each board rounded to the nearest hundredth of an IMP.
2. Approximately 50%, but in no case less than 40%, of the second qualifying session North-South and East-West fields will qualify for the two final sessions. Ties for the last qualifying position will be broken as per ACBL regulation.
3. Carryover:
 - a. There will be a carryover from the qualifying sessions to the final. The carryover can be no greater than the percentage of pairs who qualify times 52.
 - b. Carryovers will be equal to the difference between each pair's score and the lowest qualifying score multiplied by the percentage of pairs that qualify. If this results in a maximum carryover greater than that permitted in 4a, the highest carryover will be reduced to the maximum allowable and all other scores prorated.
4. For qualifying or for determining final overall ranking, any fraction of an IMP difference will be sufficient separation.
5. The DIC is permitted to combine as many sections as logical for scoring. Qualification for subsequent stages shall be based on overall standing in the entire field, regardless of section or direction.
6. Regarding any of the above or any of the General Conditions of ACBL Pairs events, the decision of the DIC shall be final.