

2019-2020 North American Pairs (NAP) District 24 Conditions of Contest

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The, NAP, a major national pairs event sponsored by the ACBL, is a grass-roots event that is played in three stages and culminates at the Spring NABC, where representatives from all 25 ACBL districts compete.

The event is played in three flights and all players must be members of District 24 and paid-up members of the ACBL and must have qualified. Eligibility for all flights will be determined by ACBL recorded masterpoints as of June 1, 2019. The event is governed by the ACBL NAP Conditions of contest. Should a qualification situation not contemplated or imperfectly covered by the ACBL conditions or rules arise, a 3-person committee consisting of the unit Presidents and the District Director (or their designees) shall have final authority.

Flight A: Open+

Flight B: 0 – 2500; Basic +

Flight C: 0-500 Non-Life Master; Basic

The NAP final for all flights will be held at the Spring NABC in Columbus, Ohio in March of 2020.

CLUB QUALIFICATION

A player may qualify at a club in North America to be eligible to play in the District finals. Club qualification games are played at local clubs during June, July, and August. Each club decides when to run its NAP qualifying games. You can qualify in more than one flight and play in any flight for which you qualify. Qualifying at a club level is on an individual basis-that is, if you qualify with one partner, you may play with anyone else at the District finals as long as both players reside in District 24 and are paid up members of the ACBL and both have qualified.

DISTRICT FINALS

The District finals determine which pairs will advance from each flight to the NAP finals. District finals for all flight B will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2019 at Honors Bridge Club; 133 East 58th Street, New York, NY.

District finals for flights A and C will be held on October 27, 2019. Flight A will be held at Cavendish Bridge Club, 177 East 87th St. Flight C will be held at Honors Bridge Club, 133 East 58th St, New York, NY.

Flight A The top three finishers in Flight A are eligible to play in the National Event. In the event that any of the top three pairs cannot attend the National Event, they are replaced with 4th and lower placed finishers down the line.

Flights B and C The top four finishers in Flight B and flight C are eligible to play in the National Event. In the event that any of the top four pairs cannot attend the National Event, they are replaced with 5th and lower finishers down the line.

ACBL provides free entries for all participants at the NAP finals and first place winners in every each are expected to receive a stipend of \$700 per person each to compete at the National Finals. 2nd place winners are expected to receive \$300.

APPEALS

If the Director in Charge determines that an appeal committee is required, the District Coordinator or the Coordinator's designee will appoint a committee. Appeal requests must be made to the Director in Charge within 30 minutes of the end of a session.