

### **NORDIC BRIDGE UNION**

# SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

## 38<sup>th</sup> NORDIC TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD IN ÖREBRO, SWEDEN

MAY 30<sup>th</sup> – JUNE 1<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### 1 INTRODUCTION, FORMAT AND TIMETABLE

#### 1.1 Introduction

The 38<sup>th</sup> Nordic Teams Championships ("the Championships") are to be played under the auspices of the Nordic Bridge Union ("the NBU") at the Hotel Scandic Väst, Örebro, Sweden, commencing on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and ending Thursday 1<sup>th</sup> June 2023. The Championships consist of two classes: Open and Women.

The Championships will be governed by the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017, the NBU General Conditions of Contest ("the GCoC") and these Supplementary Conditions of Contest ("the SCoC"). Unless otherwise stated, or illogical in context, the definitions used in the GCoC apply also to these SCoC.

In case of a conflict between these Regulations and the General Conditions of Contest, these Regulations shall prevail. Matters not regulated here are governed by the General Conditions of Contest and the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. 2017.

#### 1.2 Format

The Championship comprises two classes: Open and Women.

#### A. Participants

- 1. Each NBO under the NBU is invited to send one participating team in each class.
- 2. If an odd number of teams have signed up, the Organiser may appoint an additional team. Results obtained by such a team count in the final rankings, but the team itself is not eligible for awards. The team must play against the other team from the same NBO as early as possible in each part of the round-robin.

#### **B.** Format

- 1. Each class plays its own tournament.
- 2. With 5 or 6 teams, the tournament is played as a double round robin, 15 boards per match.
- 3. The schedule of the second round robin is based on the rankings after the first round robin. the pairings are (6-4, 3-1, 5-2), (2-3, 4-5, 1-6), (4-1, 6-2, 3-5), (6-3, 5-1, 2-4), (1-2, 3-4, 5-6).
- 4. The new "continuous" WBF VP scale is used in the round robin.
- 5. Seating rights. For each match, the team mentioned first in the schedule of matches printed in the programme is designated as the Home Team and the team mentioned second is designed as the Visiting Team.
  - Exception. If only one team contains a par using a HUM system, then this team is a Visiting Team and the other team is the Home Team.
  - The Home team sits North-South in the Open Room and East-West in the Closed Room throughout the match. The Home Team has the right to seat its players after the Visiting Team has done so.
- 6. Line up. There is no necessary line up but the Visiting Team is required to take its places 5

minutes before the start of each round.

7. Systems. The WBF Systems Policy (<a href="http://www.worldbridge.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/WBFSystemsPolicy.pdf">http://www.worldbridge.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/WBFSystemsPolicy.pdf</a>) applies.

The Teams Championships event is considered a Category 1 event with respect to the EBL Systems Policy. As such, all systems are allowed.

- Convention cards and supplementary sheets must be submitted to carina@svenskbridge.se no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>,2023.
- 8. Screens. Screens are in use. The EBL Screen Regulations apply.
- 9. The length of matches. Each match consists of 15 boards. Allocated time is 2 hours (=120 minutes).

#### 1.3 *Draw*

Prior to play an official draw for numbers in the schedule of play will be made and published on site and on the NBU website for the Championships.

#### 1.4 Program and Timetable

Preliminary schedule:

Tuesday 30 May 18:30 Captains meeting

Tuesday 30 May 19:00-21:00 Round 1

Tuesday 30 May 21:15-23:15 Round 2

Wednesday 31 May 10:00-12:00 Round 3

Wednesday 31 May 12:15-14:15 Round 4

Wednesday 31 May 15:00-17:00 Round 5

Wednesday 31 May 17:30-19:30 Round 6

Thursday 1 June 10:00-12:00 Round 7

Thursday 1 June 12:15-14:15 Round 8

Thursday 1 June 15:00-17:00 Round 9

Thursday 1 June 17:15-19:15 Round 10

Thursday 1 June 20:00 Prizegiving and dinner

#### 2 AWARDS

In addition to awards given in each class, the NBU Trophy rankings are calculated by adding the VPs scored by the teams in each class.