

CBF ONLINE OPEN TEAMS 2021

CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

The competition is to take place on the BBO (Bridge Base Online) platform.

Each team is to submit a maximum of six players. There will not be masterpoint awards for this championship, so not all listed players need to participate in the championships. However, a player registered for one of the teams cannot play in another team.

Each team must have a designated captain, responsible for selecting the players for each match and reporting the results of each match by e-mail to secretary@cyprusbridge.org.

Matches must be played in sequence and must be completed by the end date of the round as given in the draw. If a team does not show up, it forfeits the match with a 20 – 0 IMPs score.

There will be a full round robin, where each team plays each other only once. The higher-ranked team has seating rights., i.e. it chooses which of its pairs plays against which of the opponent's pairs.

Each match will be of 20 boards randomly produced by BBO and scored in IMPs. The home team will arrange the tables.

For each win a team wins 3 points, for each draw 1 point, and for each loss 0 points.

Ranks will be produced and circulated to all teams at the end of each round, as soon as results from all matches have been reported.

Ties will be decided as follows, in order of priority:

- The team with the highest IMP quotient (IMPs won/IMPs lost) wins
- The team with highest number of IMPs won wins.
- The team with lowest number of IMPs lost wins
- The result of the match between two teams counts
- In case all the above are identical and the match between the two teams is a draw, there will be sudden death where the two teams play sets of 4 boards until there is a winner

The draw for all rounds will be made by the president of the CBF and circulated to all the participating teams.

The greatest importance is placed on all players providing prompt and timely full disclosure of all their partnership agreements via the proper alert and explain procedure. Late alerts create situations where the opponents are damaged and may lead to penalties or score adjustments being imposed. In order to avoid unnecessary arguments, all players are encouraged to alert and explain ALL conventional bids, including such well known conventions as Stayman, transfers, etc. Any bid that may be made on a suit that is shorter than four cards should be alerted and explained as such. Similarly, any bid that has a defined strength range should be alerted and explained as, e.g. weak, strong game-forcing, invitational etc. No-trump bid ranges are best given with the bid.

The CBF will sponsor the event with Cups and medals for the first three teams, as well as certificates for all participants. The prizes will be presented as soon as conditions allow.