

St Louis August 2024 Regional - Conditions of Contest

These Conditions of Contest shall not be changed at any level of play during the course of this tournament.

Lack of knowledge does not constitute cause for exception.

The following ACBL General Conditions of Contest govern this tournament:

ACBL's General Conditions of Contest – All Events [link](#)

ACBL's General Conditions of Contest – Pairs [link](#)

ACBL's General Conditions of Contest – Swiss Teams [link](#)

ACBL's General Conditions of Contest – Knockout Teams [link](#)

ACBL's General Conditions of Contest – Round Robin/Bracketed Teams [link](#)

ACBL's Mini-Soloway Knockout Teams Conditions of Contest [link](#)

These additional conditions shall apply:

Mini-Soloway Knockouts:

Entry fees for the first two sessions are due on registration. Entry fees for the last two sessions are due on completion of the 2nd session. Entry fees are not refundable.

After completion of the first two sessions, the 1st place team in each bracket may choose its opponent from either the 3rd place team or the 4th place team. The selection of the opponent must be made within 10 minutes of completion of play and once submitted to the director, cannot be changed. If no selection is submitted within the allotted time, the 1st place team's opponent will be the 4th place team.

The losers of the 3rd session will play off in the 4th session for 3rd and 4th place. If one team chooses not to play off, they will take 4th place. If both teams agree not to have a play-off, the result will be a tie and the awards will be split.

Teams will not be permitted to 'play up' into a higher bracket.

Bracketed Team Games

Teams will not be permitted to 'play up' into a higher bracket.

Pair Games

Pairs may enter a single session of two-session events, and will be eligible for section top awards but not eligible for overall event awards.

Players in Open Pair Events will normally play 22 to 24 boards per session. Should an uneven number of pairs enter the first session which would result in a 3-board sit-out, the

director is authorized to fill in the half-table by offering free entries to a pair otherwise planning to enter the concurrent 2-session I/N pairs event. An I/N pair filling in the first session of the Open Pairs Event will get free entries in the second session. No other adjustments will be made for 3-board sit-outs in the second session.

Players in I/N Pair Games will normally play 20-22 boards per session.

Miscellaneous

Eligibility for pair events is based on the highest MP player

Eligibility for team events is based on team average

Stratification assignments are based on pair or team average

Bracket assignments are based on team average

All team events use 20 Victory Point Scale

3-table minimum for all events