



Hong Kong Contract Bridge Association

Practice Matches for Asian Games 2022 Selection

Conditions of Contest

Laws

The Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017 will be used. Unless stated explicitly, the General Conditions of Contest governing WBF tournaments will apply.

Official Language

English is the official language of the tournament. During each match, the players converse only in English unless all four players at the table agree that they may use some other language at their own risk.

Tournament Format

Screens will be used throughout the trials.

The practice matches will be held in 5 days. There is a total of 15 rounds, 16 boards per round. The scores are compared within their section only. The scores for each pair will be accumulated separately. For Men's Team, the score for each pair is compared to each of the other two tables and converted to VPs separately.

Online Platform

Players shall bid and play through an online platform with a designated tablet. All calls, including alerts, and play are done through the platform. Questions and answers to the biddings may be done physically through pen and paper.

Pair Numbers

Pair numbers has been drawn before 22 Jan 2022. The pair numbers are fixed throughout the tournament.

Line-up and Seating

Pairs play according to the schedule. For each round, the pairs must be seated 5 minutes before starting time. Pairs failing to observe the above and causing a delay of the match will be subject to **Late Start** penalties.

For Mixed Teams, the lady in each pair shall be seated in either East or South.

For Open Teams, each pair shall declare the players' seating where they sit N/S and E/W. This seating will be the same throughout the tournament.

Kibitzing

No kibitzers are allowed in the venue. Players who have finished their round may not observe the play at other tables. Players who fail to comply are subject to **Procedural Penalties**.

Smoking and Consumption of Alcohol

No player may smoke or consume alcohol in the playing area, and no player may leave his seat to smoke before the match is completed.

Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices

Mobile phones and electronic devices must be switched off in the playing area. Any mobile phones or electronic devices ring will be subject to 2 VPs mandatory procedural penalty. The penalty is awarded to the pair in question.

Systems & Conventions

HUM systems and Brown Sticker conventions are not allowed. Psychic of artificial or conventional opening bids are prohibited. All pairs are required to bring 2 copies of duly completed WBF convention card to the tournament, failing which procedural penalties may be imposed.

The convention cards and system notes of all pairs are collected and will be released in due course for reference.

Pairs with any queries concerning the systems provided by other pairs, are asked to inform the TD who will direct the enquiry. Cards and supplementary sheets circulated are only accepted as registered, and may require amendments after being circulated.

Alerts and Explanations

An alertable call is defined in the WBF Alerting Policy. It is the responsibility of the player to alert clearly. No explanation of the meaning of the alertable call should be made unless requested by an opponent.

Computer Dealt Hands

All teams will play computer dealt hands where possible. These hands are generated at random with no special constraints or restrictions.

Agreement of Results

The scores for the matches are calculated by the online platform. Discrepancies must be reported no later than 30 minutes after the scores have been posted.

Victory Point (VP) Scale

The WBF 20-point Continuous Victory Point scale will be used.

Tie Breaking

There is no tie-breaking for this tournament.

Late Start (for a pair)

The Late Start penalties shall be awarded to the pair(s) in question only and not to their teammates.

0+ - 10 mins. 0.2 VPs for each full minute or part thereof

Over 10 mins. minimum 2 VP plus 0.4 VPs for each full minute or part thereof beyond 10 minutes, but after 30 minutes the match is cancelled and considered a walkover.

Slow Play (for a pair)

The Slow Play penalties shall be awarded to the pair(s) in question only and not to their teammates.

0 - 5 mins. 0.2 VPs for each full minute or part thereof

5+ - 10 mins. minimum 1 VP plus 0.4 VPs for each full minute or part thereof beyond 5 minutes.

After 10 minutes, the match shall be truncated, reducing the number of boards played.

The match will be scored only with the boards played at both tables, using the same

VP conversion scale of complete matches.

Walkover

In the case of walkover, the walkover pair(s) receive 0 VP for the match(es), all the other present pairs who cannot get a score comparison shall receive for that match their average VPs after all the matches are concluded.

Appeals Procedure

An appeal against the ruling of the director must be lodged within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the round. All appeals must be submitted to the Director together with a \$1000 deposit, which will be refunded if the Appeals Committee considers that the appeal has merit.

Time Schedule

Date / Time		Schedule (Men's Team)	Schedule (Mixed Team)
29 Jan (Sat)	13:40 – 13:50	Briefing to Players	Day off
	14:00 – 16:15	Round 1	
	17:20 – 19:35	Round 2	
	19:50 – 22:05	Round 3	
30 Jan (Sun)	13:40 – 13:50	Day off	Briefing to Players
	14:00 – 16:15		Round 1
	17:20 – 19:35		Round 2
	19:50 – 22:05		Round 3
12 Feb (Sat)	14:00 – 16:15	Round 4	Round 4
	17:20 – 19:35	Round 5	Round 5
	19:50 – 22:05	Round 6	Round 6
13 Feb (Sun)	14:00 – 16:15	Round 7	Round 7
	17:20 – 19:35	Round 8	Round 8
	19:50 – 22:05	Round 9	Round 9
5 Mar (Sat)	14:00 – 16:15	Round 10	Round 10
	17:20 – 19:35	Round 11	Round 11
	19:50 – 22:05	Round 12	Round 12
6 Mar (Sun)	14:00 – 16:15	Round 13	Round 13
	17:20 – 19:35	Round 14	Round 14
	19:50 – 22:05	Round 15	Round 15
12 Mar (Sat)	14:00 – 22:30	Reserved as a back-up date if any of the match days above is cancelled. The matches are postponed in sequence.	

Movement Details

Date	Rd	Men's Team						Mixed Team				
		Table 1		Table 2		Table 3		Table 4		Table 5		BYE
		NS	EW	NS	EW	NS	EW	NS	EW	NS	EW	
29 Jan (Sat)	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	Day Off				
	2	3	1	2	5	6	4					
	3	4	1	3	5	6	2					
30 Jan (Sun)	1	Day Off						12	13	15	14	11
	2							12	14	13	15	
	3							12	15	14	13	
12 Feb (Sat)	4	1	6	3	2	4	5	13	14	11	15	12
	5	1	5	2	4	6	3	13	15	14	11	
	6	2	1	5	3	4	6	13	11	15	14	
13 Feb (Sun)	7	1	4	2	3	6	5	14	15	12	11	13
	8	3	1	2	6	5	4	14	11	15	12	
	9	1	6	5	2	3	4	14	12	11	15	
5 Mar (Sat)	10	5	1	3	2	6	4	15	11	13	12	14
	11	1	4	3	6	2	5	15	12	11	13	
	12	3	1	2	4	5	6	15	13	12	11	
6 Mar (Sun)	13	2	1	3	6	4	5	11	12	14	13	15
	14	5	1	6	2	4	3	11	13	12	14	
	15	6	1	2	4	3	5	11	14	13	12	



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List of Players

Men's Team

Pair No.	Players	
2	K F Mak (S/W)	W K Lai (N/E)
3	Bubble Ho (N/E)	Gordon Ho (S/W)
6	Baron Ng (N/E)	Tony Lau (S/W)
5	Jacky Ip (N/E)	Sunny Mo (S/W)
4	Abby Chiu (S/W)	Alan Sze (N/E)
1	Samuel Wan (S/W)	Zia Wai (N/E)

Mixed Team

Pair No.	Players	
13	Lydia Fung (S/E)	Wilson Leung (N/W)
14	Javy Choy (S/E)	Terence Chan (N/W)
12	Zoe Chan (S/E)	Wong Kon (N/W)
15	Fu Cheung (S/E)	Mickey Law (N/W)
11	Janice Cheng (S/E)	Leo Cheung (N/W)