

State Veterans' Pairs - 2026

Supplementary Tournament Regulations

This competition is conducted under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017, supplemented by the Tournament Regulations of Bridge NSW as amended and these Supplementary Regulations. In case of conflict between these Supplementary Regulations and the Bridge NSW Tournament Regulations, the Supplementary Regulations shall apply.

1 The Event

- 1.1 The event will be held online using the RealBridge platform over three afternoons as scheduled in the official Bridge NSW Program.
- 1.2 It is a requirement that all players on RealBridge have working video and audio connections. Players may only turn off their camera with the permission of the Director.
- 1.3 Each session will be scored using standard matchpointing with scores being tabulated as percentages.
- 1.4 The matchpoint scores for all sessions will be summed to calculate each pair's final score being tabulated as percentages.
- 1.5 Players should note that scores posted on RealBridge are not the official scores. The official scores are those appearing on the Bridge NSW website.
- 1.6 The movement and format will be at the discretion of the Director.
- 1.7 A house pair may not be guaranteed.

2 Entry and Eligibility

- 2.1 Every player must be an active member of the Australian Bridge Federation masterpoint system.
- 2.2 Players must be members of a club affiliated with Bridge NSW.
- 2.3 Players must be born before 1st January 1952. They need to be turning 75 during 2026 or before.

3 Fees

The entry fee as specified on the MyABF entry page must be paid in full before the start of play.

4 Substitutions

- 4.1 Pairs are allowed two substitutions. All substitutions must be of a similar standard to the player being replaced. In addition, each substitute must satisfy the eligibility listed in Section 2 for the pair to be eligible for winning the event.
- 4.2 Requests for substitutions should be made at least five days before the relevant session using the online form at <https://bridgensw.com.au/substitution/>.

5 Systems

- 5.1 All system cards must be lodged on the Bridge NSW website <https://bridgensw.com.au/systems/>
- 5.2 No Yellow systems will be permitted.
- 5.3 Pairs may not claim protected pair status.

6 Score Correction Period

The correction period ends at midday on the Thursday immediately following each session.

7 Tie-breaks

Ties for the title will be broken according to the Bridge NSW Tournament Regulations #11.2.4

<https://bridgensw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/Bridge-NSW-Tournament-Regulations.pdf>

8 Masterpoints

Red masterpoints will be awarded at State Championship level with a weighting of 3.75.