



WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION

Supplemental Conditions of Contest for the 8th Transnational Youth Championships Wroclaw, Poland 13 – 18 July 2024

**Transnational U31, U26, U26 Women's, U21 and U16
Teams Championships**

**Transnational U31, U26 Open, U26 Women's, U21 and U16
Pairs Championships**

**See also the [General Conditions of Contest and the Ancillary Regulations](#)
which together govern all WBF Championships.**

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Preamble

These Supplemental Conditions of Contest (SCoC) are supplemental to the General Conditions of Contest (GCoC) as issued by the World Bridge Federation (WBF). They, together with the Laws of Duplicate Bridge and all other WBF rules, regulations and codes, form the set of Rules and Regulations governing the 2024 Transnational Youth Championships (WTYC).

These events are to be played at Hotel GEM, Wroclaw/Poland from 13th to 18th July 2024. The Opening Ceremony will take place on 15th July (together with the Prizegiving for the Team events), and the Closing Ceremony on 18th July (together with the Prizegiving for the Pairs events).

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1. Definitions

Expressions used in these SCoC and not defined shall have their ordinary meaning in duplicate bridge terminology (which may include expressions defined in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017). In the event of any doubt or dispute as to such meaning, the decision of the Championship Committee shall be final and conclusive. The singular shall include the plural and vice-versa; reference to one gender shall include the other.

Unless repugnant to the context or obvious meaning, all terms defined in the GCoC shall have the same meaning for these SCoC and, in addition, the following expressions when used in these SCoC shall have the following meanings:

1.1. NPC

means the non-playing captain of any team. Teams are not obliged to have non-playing captains: a team member may act as a playing captain if this is preferred. Non-playing captains are considered members of the team and will receive any medals awarded.

1.2. Coach

Teams may elect to have a Coach or other official(s) attending the WYBTC. They will not receive any medals awarded the team.

2. Conditions of Entry

All players must comply, in addition to any other eligibility regulations as detailed in the GCoC, with the following age restrictions, listed by Category:

- Under 31: for players born on or after 1st January 1994
- Under 26 Open/Women: for players born on or after 1st January 1999
- Under 21: for players born on or after 1st January 2004
- Under 16: for players born on or after 1st January 2009

2.1. Registration

Teams, including all players' names, and Pairs must register only via the designated [registration website](#) **no later than 30th June 2024**. Later registrations will only be accepted, at the discretion of the Championships Committee, if not negatively affecting the format and playing schedule. Although the WTYC is a transnational event, all entries will be automatically forwarded by the registration system to a player's NBO to confirm their eligibility.

2.2. Entry Fees

Please see [Entry Fees](#) on the Championship website. The WBF adopts a "No pay, no play" policy.

2.3. Team Members

In addition to a non-playing captain, each team may have four, five or six members. If fewer than six players were originally submitted for entry, players can be added prior to the start of the first session of play with the permission of the Credentials Committee present at the site. However, following such approval by the Credentials Committee, the Championship Committee reserves the right to place any restrictions on that team it deems proper.

2.4. Penalty for Non-Participation

If a previously entered Team or Pair in these Championships determines it is unable to participate, the WBF shall be notified at least 48 hours before the start of the event. Except in cases of *force majeure*, the entry fee will be refunded only if the WBF is notified at least two weeks before the start of the Championship that the team or pair will not participate.

3. Schedule of Play

3.1. Transnational Teams

This event will be played over three days, 13th – 15th July 2024. All participants will be able to play until the end.

3.2. Transnational Pairs

This event will be played over three days, 16th – 18th July 2024. All participants will be able to play until the end.

3.3. Both Events

The detailed schedule of play will be published on the [Championships Website](#) as soon as final participation numbers and formats are known. A random draw will determine the starting positions.

4. Format

4.1. Transnational Teams

If at all possible, depending on the number of entries in a category, it will be played as a complete Round Robin (RR) over the three days. If not, there will be a two-day Qualification (most likely a Swiss) followed by complete RR Finals. There will be no Knockout stage.

4.2. Transnational Pairs

There will be a two-day Qualification followed by Finals A & B. The number of pairs going to each Final will depend on the number of entries in the category. There will be a “linear” carry-over from the Qualification to Final A.

4.3. Tie-breaks

Ties will be broken in accordance with these [Procedures for Tie Breaking](#) .

5. Scoring and Bidding at the Table

Electronic or Digital devices will be used for the official scoring throughout the Championship.

Tablets may be used for bidding and entering results. If they are, the [Using Bidding Tablets with Screens](#) procedures will be followed.

6. Line-ups in Teams

There will be no requirement to submit line-ups in advance. The team mentioned first in a match will be the “home team”, will sit North-South in the open room, and their opponents will take their seats first.

7. Systems

These WTYC are Category 3 events in accordance with [The WBF Systems Policy](#) and neither Brown Sticker conventions nor HUM systems are permitted at any time. Furthermore, the psyching of conventional or artificial opening bids is prohibited.

7.1 Supplementary Sheets

While the use of Supplementary Sheets is encouraged to clarify the information given on the WBF System Card, there may be at most six supplementary sheets per system.

7.2 Submission of systems

There is no requirement to pre-register Systems. However, in particular partnerships employing a “red” category system, should pre-alert opponents before the start of a round/session of any “non-standard” agreements. In case an opponent is claiming injury due to the absence of such pre-alert, it is the Systems Committee on site that determines what is “non-standard”.

8. Penalties

Please refer to [Procedures for Apportioning Penalties](#).

9. Awards & Master Points

Titles, Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be awarded in both competitions. There is no minimum play requirement in the Teams Championships.

World Youth Master Points will be awarded according to scales published on the Championship website.