



## World Bridge Federation

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### Carryover in Pair events

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Linear carryover will be awarded in the semi-final and final stages of matchpoint pair games. The Championship Committee will determine the maximum carryover to each stage, normally between two and four tops.

The maximum carryover for the qualifiers from the B-Semi-Final to the A-Final will be one-half of the maximum carryover for the qualifiers from the A-Semi-Final. However, all pairs' percentage scores will be calculated based on the maximum carryover from the A-Semi-Final.

As usual, pairs will be ranked according to their percentage scores. For qualifiers, this will be each pair's matchpoint total plus its carryover divided by its maximum possible matchpoint total plus the maximum carryover. Pairs dropping in from other events will be ranked together with the qualifiers but with a "null" carryover, so their score will simply be their matchpoint percentage.

In formal terms, scores for each stage will be calculated as follows:

$$\text{STAGE\_SCORE} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n \text{SESSION\_MP}[i]}{\sum_{i=0}^n \text{SESSION\_MAX\_MP}[i]}$$

Where:

- SESSION\_MP are the Matchpoints (MPs) scored by the pair in each Session, typically 16 boards.
- SESSION\_MAX\_MP are the maximum MPs that could have been scored by the pair in the Session.
- n is the number of sessions in the stage.

Carryovers from the previous stage are considered to belong to Session 0. Pairs dropping into the beginning of a stage will have a neutral carryover, so SESSION\_MP[0] and SESSION\_MAX\_MP[0] of zero. This shouldn't be confused with a zero carryover, where the SESSION\_MAX\_MP[0] is **not** zero.