

REGULATIONS FOR NORTHERN REGION BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

The Northern Region Bridge Association runs to benefit its members and to assist them in playing and enjoying the game at both regional and higher levels. The following regulations apply to ensure all players know what is expected.

QUALIFYING EVENTS

The Northern Region runs three events which qualify players to higher level events:

1. The Northern Region Pairs

*Top pair qualifies for the Open Butler final in Melbourne

*Top seniors pair qualifies for the Senior's team selection final in Melbourne

*Top women's pair qualifies for the Women's team selection event in Melbourne

2. The Northern Region Teams

The first and second placed teams qualify for the Regional Championships

3. The Grand National Open Teams

The first placed team qualifies for the National Final

If a pair or team is not able to attend the event for which they have qualified, one member must advise the regional president as soon as possible so the position can be offered to the next eligible pair/team from the qualifying round.

REGULATIONS

1. Each player must be a bona fide regional resident and should be a member of a regional club. Any questions about eligibility must be discussed with the regional president or GNOT organiser as appropriate.
2. Teams may have 4, 5 or 6 players; however, all members of the team must play 50% of the matches in the qualifying event. If they do not play, they are not eligible to play at the higher level.
3. Substitutes may be made for necessity not convenience. If one player is unable to contest the next level event, the regional president or GNOT organiser must be consulted. A substitute, if permitted, must come from among those who played in the qualifying event. If there is any question about what is allowed, the regional president or GNOT organiser must be consulted. Pairs/teams may not make changes by themselves.
4. Those playing in the Regional Championships must adhere to the rules set out by the state regional committee. Contact Gary Ridgway for these rules.