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International Technical Bridge Committee

I Administrative Conditions

Article 1. Preface

The International Technical Committee for Bridge was established in 1992 (approved at the Presidium November 9, 1991). The Technical Committee is responsible to the FISAIC Presidium. The Committee ensures that the Bridge-tournaments are well prepared and organised.

The Committee is operated by two structures in charge of agreements and decision making; team captains committee and the technical committee.

The following articles explain the composition and the role of each structure.

Article 2. The Team Captains Committee

2.1 Composition

Consists of the Team captains from all associations participating in the FISAIC Bridge tournament.

2.2 The meeting

The President of the Technical Committee initiates the meeting for every Tournament.

He sets the agenda and writes the minutes.

He must send the agenda to all participating associations at least 2 months prior to the tournament.

2.3 Questions

If the associations have any questions to discuss at the meeting, they have to send them to the President at least 6 months before the meeting.

2.4 Decisions

The decisions are made by simple majority voting of the delegates. Every country has one vote. The president has the casting vote.

2.5 The Team Captains` Committee

- discusses on the agenda;
- agree to alterations to the conditions of Bridge tournaments
- elect members of the technical Committee. The candidates must have been agreed by their national association.

Article 3. The Technical Committee

3.1 Composition

The Technical Committee consists of the president and 2 members from different countries.

3.2 Delegates

The candidates for the Technical Committee are elected on personal basis.

The election takes place at every international Bridge tournament. Re-election is permitted.

3.3 Presidency

The president of the Technical Committee is elected by the Team Captains` Committee at every Bridge tournament. Re-election is permitted.

3.4 Meetings

If necessary and especially when more than 8 teams want to participate in the Tournament, the Technical Committee meets in the organising country, to

- prepare the work of the Team Captains' Committee
- discuss the organisation of the next tournament
- discuss other matters

3.5 Secretariat

The secretariat of the Technical Committee is handled by the national association which holds the Presidency.

One copy of the minutes is sent to the general secretary of FISAIC, from where they are delivered to all members of the FISAIC organisation.

3.6 Changes of the regulations.

If the Team Captains' Committee decides to change the rules, the president is responsible of :

- changing the regulations, and – placed on a disk – sending them to Secretariat of FISAIC.
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- FISAIC will then send one copy of the document to every national association .

II Regulations concerning the organisation of international Bridge tournaments

Article 1. The organiser

The frequency of the international Bridge tournaments is established by FISAIC after proposal from the Technical Committee.

The FISAIC general assembly meeting delegates the organisation of the Bridge tournament to an associated country, member of FISAIC

Article 2. Purpose of the tournaments.

The Bridge tournaments are competitions, but they are also a good opportunity for co-operation and cultural exchanges between members of the organising country and the different participating member countries, especially during a social evening.

Considering the are far distance travelled by the participants, most of the time must be dedicated to playing bridge.

The tournament takes place from Monday until Friday.

Article 3. Conditions of participation

Selected members of the national associations affiliated to the FISAIC, are allowed to participate in the tournament.

Only one team from each country can participate.

Invitations must be sent to the national associations at least 12 months before the tournament take place.(Enclosure 1).

The final enrolment of a team must be sent by the national association at least 4 months before the tournament takes place (Enclosure 2)

At least 2 months before the tournament takes place, the national association must give the names of the team members and their companions (Enclosure 3).

Article 4. Accommodation

Accommodation may be in private homes, in Hotels, Youth hostels, school etc. with a certain standard of comfort. The national association in charge of the organisation must, as far as possible, suggest accommodations at a reasonable price, in order to make it possible for all the FISAIC countries to participate.

Article 5. Insurance

- a. Organising country
The organising country must ensure the necessary insurance for the tournament.
- b. Groups
Every group must have an insurance to allow for ensure repatriation and a possible stay in a hospital.

Article 6. Advertising

The organising country must do what is possible, to advertise the arrangements (Press, Radio, Television and so on)

Article 7. Customs and Police

The participating teams are subject to customs and police formalities in transit and in the organising country .

Article 8. Souvenirs

Gifts brought to the organising country would ensure the good fellowship and cultural ties between participating countries.

III Technical Regulations of the FISAIC Bridge Tournament

Article 1.

The participants must be members of an organisation affiliated to FISAIC, and have to be

- active railway staff
- retired railway staff
- spouses or child of active or retired railway personal

Every national Union is responsible for the conditions of involvement so that they are filled well.

Article 2.

The Tournament is played according to the rules issued by the World Bridge Federation(WBF), with teams consisting of 4 players.

Each match consists of 2 half-times, normally 16 boards each. If more than 8 teams take part in the Tournament, the Technical committee would arrange changes to the program ensuring that a maximum of 224 boards would be played.

Article 3.

Each team consists of up to 6 players and 1 non playing captain selected by the national association.

Each of the captains must declare to the tournaments director :

- before the beginning of the first match the names of the 6 players
- before the beginning of each half-time the names of the 4 players participating in the half

None of the players must meet the same player in both half-times.

Article 4.

The order of the teams is determined by draw, which also decides which will be the home teams.

Article 5.

The "Home team" will play "N-S" in the open room, and "E-W" in the closed room.

At Half-time the 2 pairs of players in the "Visiting team" change places from one room to another.

The players in the closed room must not leave it without permission from the tournament-director.

In accordance with the international code of Bridge, in order to avoid communication of illegal information, spectators are not allowed to move during the half.

Players not participating in a half are considered as spectators.

Non playing members of a team are not allowed to watch their team mates playing.

Article 6.

Bids are made exclusively through "Bidding boxes".

English is the only authorised language unless all 4 players of one table agree to use another language.

Conversation between the two players of the same team is prohibited from the moment the cards are dealt and until the last card is played.

Article 7.

FISAIC Convention System cards completed on a computer in English must be used.

A copy of this card must be made available to each of the opposing players before each half.

Article 8.

The result of each match is given in "International Match points" (IMP).

The difference between won and lost IMP points is converted into "Victory points" (VP) in accordance with WBF rules.

Article 9.

The final position in the tournament is decided by the total score in VP of each team.

If 2 teams achieve the same score in VP , the result of their mutual match is decisive.
Further (in this order and if strictly necessary) the result in VP, or IMP or total points is the decisive factor.

If still undecided , the team with the best quotient $\frac{\text{won IMP}}{\text{lost IMP}}$ in all matches , will be the winner

If more than 2 teams reach the same result :

-the team, which has beaten all other teams, is placed as the first among equal.

-otherwise the teams will be ranked in their mutual matches (in this order and if strictly necessary) on the result in VP, IMP or total points.

If still drawn , the team which in the whole tournament has the best quotient $\frac{\text{won IMP}}{\text{lost IMP}}$ is the winner.

Article 10.

The 6 players and the captains of the teams placed first, second and third, receive from FISAIC a gold-, silver and bronze medal.

The members of all other teams each receive a diploma.

Article 11.

As support to the tournament director, the organising committee forms a tournament committee.

Article 12.

In case of disagreements, the matter can only be decided by a committee composed of the team captains and the tournament committee, with the organising country in the chair.



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INDEX CARD OF INVITATION

to send to the National Unions of member countries:

this index card should include :
the name of the country organizer
the place and dates
the coordinates of the contact

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Besides should there represent the conditions of registrations other than those foreseen by the regulation
of the international technical commission (cost for the participants and accompagnants)

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Country - City – Date

Index card of registration

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2. Total number of participants and distribution in rooms :

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3. Total number of accompagnants and distribution in rooms :

Names	Single rooms	Double rooms

4. Date and hour of arrival :
5. Date and hour of departure :
6. Transportation :

Signature of the responsible :