

Regulation Bridge Doubles Tournament

General Information

Venue: Le Ciminiere Piazzale Asia

Event Dates: June 20-21, 2024

Schedule: Starts at 10:00 AM Ends at 6:30 PM

Prizes: Medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category

Technical Regulations

Rules: For any matter not covered in these regulations, the current International Bridge Code of Conduct will apply. The use of bridgemates is permitted.

Requirements: Participation is open to all registered participants who have paid the registration fee and provided a medical statement of sports suitability.

Categories: Mixed Open
Teams can be either mixed, feminine or masculine.

Tournament Format:

Systems: WBF Laws, 2017 Edition, officially in use. HUM (Highly Unusual Methods) and Brown Stickers are not allowed. Psychic bids are not allowed at any time during the bidding. Single round-robin with separate rankings for the Mixed Open and Women's Open categories.

Alert: Any call that has a special or artificial meaning must be immediately made known to the opponents using the alert card. Since the event is attended by people from various nations where different bidding systems, natural and conventional, are in use, players are recommended to keep them as simple as possible and alert when necessary. When in doubt, it is advisable to always use the alert card. The "Double" is not alerted (but opponents are always free to ask), except when it has a specific artificial meaning. Both members of the pair must adopt the same meaning for both bidding calls and defensive card play. Each pair must have a convention card written in English. Strong No Trump: In accordance with common practice in Italy, a No Trump opening is considered natural within the limits of 15-18 HCP. Any No Trump opening outside these limits is subject to alert.

Program: The number of boards during each session will be determined by the number of players registered for the tournament and actually present at the various game sessions. In

any case, the completion of a regular tournament in all its phases of at least 20 boards per session will be guaranteed.

Thursday, June 20 - Two sessions of doubles tournament • 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM - 1st Session • 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Lunch Break • 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM - 2nd Session

Friday, June 21 - Two sessions of doubles tournament • 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM - 3rd Session • 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Lunch Break • 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM - 4th Session

AWARD CEREMONY TO FOLLOW

Player Assembly: All players must be present in the room at least 15 minutes before the start of the first game session.

Team Captain: Each team must have its own captain. The team captain must sign the player roster sheet.

Correction of Results: During the tournament, the transcription of an incorrect result can be corrected at any time, up to 10 minutes after the score for a specific session is printed. Any irregularity at the table must be immediately reported to the referee. If corrected by the players themselves, the innocent side forfeits any right to compensation.

Results: The results will be communicated at the end of each session and published on the official WCSG Catania 2024 website in the bridge section and on the relevant app.

Complaints: All complaints regarding the conduct of the championship must be submitted in writing to the Chief Judge within a maximum of 30 minutes after the end of the game session, accompanied by a deposit of €30.00, which will be refunded if the appeal is accepted.

Final Provisions: Each participant travels and participates in the Games at their own risk. The organization provides only first-aid assistance. It is mandatory to always carry a copy of your personal insurance policy.

Note: The organization reserves the right to change and/or modify the information contained in this program based on specific and unforeseen needs.