

OTTO & EDITH BOWL RULES 2011-12

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1. All competitors must be paid-up Player Members of the EBU who meet the general LCBA conditions for participation in the Association's Members-only competitions for the year 2011-12.
2. The competition is for mixed pairs.
3. a) Each player must provide a completed EBU 20/20A/20B style system card and hand this to the opponents for their use throughout each round. Pairs not having completed such cards should be furnished with EBU 20B style (or original) LCBA Simple System (Standard English) Cards and required to play in accordance with these until personal EBU style cards are completed. WBF style cards may not be used.
b) Pairs with properly completed (2 paged) EBU 20 style system cards, may employ EBU Level 2 (and 3) Permitted Agreements, as detailed in Section 11 of the 2006 Orange Book, incorporating amendments as per subsequent LCBA Yearbooks.
c) However pairs having properly completed full (4 paged) EBU 20A or 20B style system cards may also employ any Agreements permitted at Level 4, as detailed in Section 11 of the 2006 Orange Book, incorporating amendments as per subsequent LCBA Yearbooks. [These amendments are consolidated on the LCBA website.]
4. a) Any pair either wishing to appeal, or reserve the right to later appeal, against a decision of the Director or Scorer should inform the Director and the other pair of this and ensure that all relevant details of the hand and decision etc. are recorded on a witnessed statement before leaving the venue.
Whether the actual appeal is immediate, or made later after reflection or consultation, it must be sent in writing by email or post, in duplicate, to the Competition Controller (CC) and the LCBA General Secretary, within two days of the event.
b) If a psychic bid is reported to the Director, he shall, on request, record the details of the board on which it occurred, and report the matter to the CC for the attention of the Laws and Ethics SC of the LCBA. The Director may also record and similarly report any departure from the system that he considers should be brought to its attention.
5. All results shall be treated as provisional until confirmed by the CC after receipt of the event records and the determination of any appeal
6. a) The winners of the competition will hold the Otto & Edith Bowl for one year.
b) The two highest placed married couples are guaranteed places, entry fees paid by the LCBA, in the final of the Midland Fritch, which is to be held at EMBA Spondon on Sunday 6 May 2012.
c) Monetary prizes of £30, £20 and £10 will be awarded to the first three pairs. If none of these is won by a non-expert pair than a further prize of £10 will be awarded to the highest placed such pair, subject to them not having finished last overall.
The definitions of non-expert players/pairs are kept on files held by the Tournament Secretary, LCBA Qualified Directors and the General Secretary; are published in the LCBA Yearbook and on the LCBA Website.
Ties will be split in accordance with standard EBU procedures.
7. The LCBA will award local Master Points on the County scale.
8. The competition will normally be played over approximately 24 boards, using a recommended movement. The absolute limits of the range, which will only be played in exceptional circumstances, are 20 and 28 boards.
Details of recommended movements are kept on files held by the Tournament Secretary, LCBA Qualified Directors and the General Secretary.
9. The competition will be played on Wednesday 28 September 2011 at the County Bridge Club. The playing charge is £3.50 per head.