

# **Red Ribbon Pairs Special Conditions of Contest**

The General Conditions of Contest (CoC) for pairs events will apply, subject to the following special CoC. These CoC may not be changed during the course of this event.

## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

The Red Ribbon Pairs is open to any two paid up ACBL Members holding no more than 2500 masterpoints, as of the ACBL computer run on July 6<sup>th</sup> of that year, with each player having earned a Red, Blue or Silver Ribbon qualification. Please consult Appendix R for more information on how these qualifications are earned.

## **CONVENTIONS**

Bidding and carding methods permitted, restricted or not permitted in these events are per the ACBL Basic+ Convention Chart.

## **SCORING AND PLAY**

- 1) The Red Ribbon Pairs will consist of four sessions: two qualifying and two final.
- 2) Approximately 50%, but in no case less than 40%, of the field will qualify for the two final sessions. Ties for the last qualifying position will be broken as per ACBL regulation.
- 3) There will be a carryover from the qualifying sessions to the finals. The carryover will be calculated as per ACBL regulations, but the spread from top to bottom can be no greater than four boards.
- 4) For purposes of qualifying or overall ranking, any fraction of a matchpoint will be sufficient separation.
- 5) The DIC is permitted to combine as many sections as logical for scoring. Qualification of contestants for subsequent stages shall be based on overall standing in the entire field, regardless of section or direction.
- 6) Regarding any of the above or any of the General CoC of ACBL pairs events, the decision of the DIC shall be final.