

Play with an Expert Guidelines

For ease of reference the following terms have been used:

Expert – The more experienced player

Intermediate player – Player of five years playing experience or more

The aim of the scheme is to help encourage intermediate players to play at a level higher than they would normally. Regular play by the intermediate player at duplicate pairs is necessary to gain the most benefit from this scheme.

The intention is the expert will play with the intermediate player for a couple of sessions. You can play for more sessions than this if you wish but this will be at the instigation of the expert player. An intermediate player can play with more than one expert.

The list of expert players will be available (names only), via the website and the club notice board. This is so intermediate players can request a specific expert if they wish.

The expert will play for free for the relevant sessions. When completing the table slips please put the letter 'E' next to the expert's name and the letter 'I' next to the intermediate player's name.

The result of the session **WILL** count for NGS purposes for both the expert and intermediate player.

Advice regarding pairing up:

Once you have been introduced by the scheme co-ordinator and before you play:

- Try to agree your playing systems **before** arriving for the session.
- Try not to use too many over complicated systems and sequences. The more systems you play the more potential there is to go wrong!
- The expert will adjust to the intermediate player in respect to systems, not the other way.

Advice during play:

- Try to keep any advice or discussions until **after** the session.

Advice after play:

- If possible, time and circumstances permitting, the expert will review the hands with the intermediate player. This could be in person, by phone, email or Skype for example.

If you are looking for a regular partner then please make use of the relevant partnership desks.

Please note; you must request an expert through the co-ordinator. Do **NOT** contact the expert direct.

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