

Bradshaw Best Behaviour at Bridge (BB@B)

BB@B is EBU's 'code of conduct', which it expects to be followed in all games of bridge.

The EBU AGM voted to include a breach of the fundamental principles of BB@B as an offence which could be punished under the Disciplinary Rules.

Bradshaw Bridge Club has long been regarded as a friendly bridge club. The Committee wish it to remain so but in accordance with EBU BB@B, as befits a popular EBU affiliated club with access to national events and the issuing of Master Points in duplicate pairs, counting towards the EBU's National Grading Scheme.

The majority of members play in way which adheres to all aspects of BB@B, but we hope that members are comforted by the fact that there are procedures in place to address the very infrequent occasions when some members fall short of what would be expected.

We would emphasise that the appropriate course of action is to raise any incidents with the TD as soon as they happen. Suffering in silence or only telling a friend, will not help to eradicate from the game the behaviour of the few people who act inappropriately, and waiting until later to report it makes it much hard to deal with it effectively.

An integral part of BB@B is: ***“Make your convention/system card (SC) readily available to your opponents and fill it out completely”.***

Absence of a completed **SC** by any Bradshaw match team player is unacceptable and it reflects badly on the Club.

Tuesday evening: Being the more competitive session, any system at EBU Level 4 or below is permitted. However:

Regular Pairings must provide completed **SC** with 2-suited calls (Ghestem, Aspro etc.) bids and responses defined, due to the number of variants possible.

Infrequent/random pairings - Suitable completion of page 1 of the scorecard will be accepted for those playing Acol (even conventions such as Aspro etc. are accepted, provided bids and responses are added). Psyche bids are frowned upon.

Wednesday afternoon: These sessions are more social and suitable for some less experienced players and/or newcomers to the Club. Level 4 systems are tolerated but players are expected not to psyche (so please do not!). As Acol/Benjaminised Acol is played by the majority of members, the Club has a more relaxed attitude towards **SC** use. Suitable completion of page 1 of the scorecard by Acol playing pairs is allowed.

Both Tuesday and Wednesday: Pairs playing Level 4 systems (e.g. Precision/Strong Club or Multi 2 Diamonds or 5 Card Major opener variants), must have completed **SCs** even if they are an infrequent pairing.

The Director has the right to ask any players (including infrequent pairings) not complying with the **SC** requirement to revert to an Acol system as available on Bradshaw BridgeWebs site. This will be enforced for nationwide scoring events such as EBU SIMS.

When a Tournament Director ruling is required, players must not argue nor dispute the decision but politely reserve their rights for the issue to be judged at the end of the session using the Club Appeals Procedure. Non-compliance with EBU BB@B (which includes need for completed **SC**) will be taken into account by the Club Appeals Committee when making their adjudication.