

SIMS INSTRUCTIONS FOR BBO

BBO tournaments normally use random dealt hands. However, there is a facility to use a set of pre-dealt hands. Full instructions for loading and using a set of pre-dealt hands can be found at :-

<https://blog.bridgebase.com/2020/05/02/uploading-pre-dealt-hands-to-your-deal-archive/>

The file format used is a LIN file. But hand files are usually PBN files so these need to be converted to LIN files before they can be used. So, a third party created a conversion capability that can be found at :- To

<http://johnfromarran.org.uk/Bridge/PbnToLin.html>

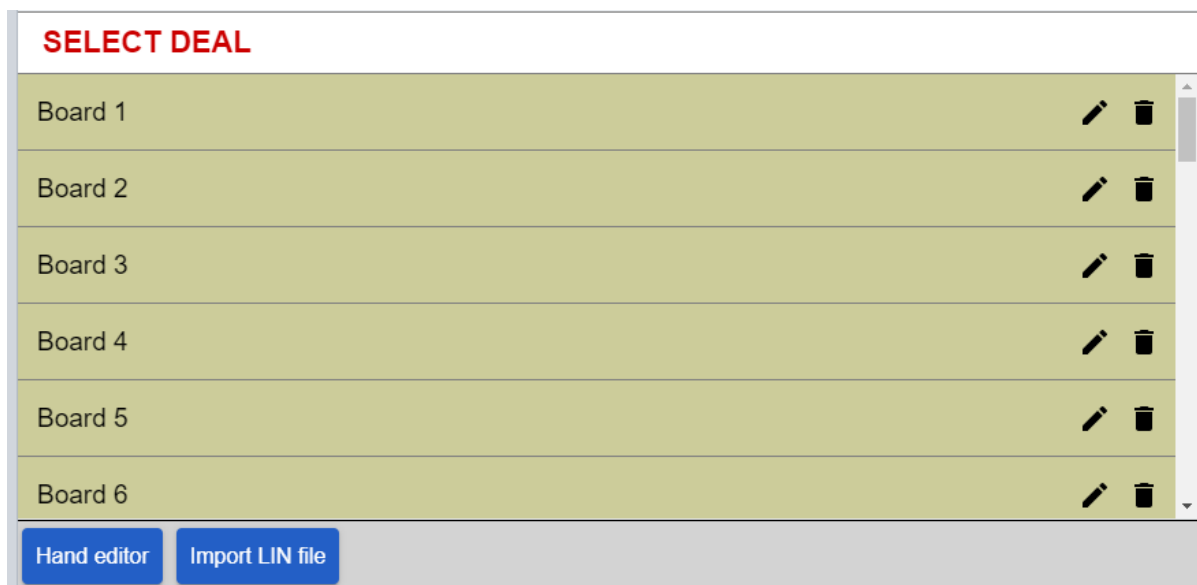
To include the deal file in an event:

Using the vEBU account, under Account/Deal Archive, create a folder (using the "+") called "event" (ie "Dorin20").

The screenshot shows the BBO Account interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Log off', 'Help', and 'BB\$', along with the account ID 'vebu204099'. Below this is the 'Account' section with tabs for 'Profile', 'Settings', 'Convention cards', and 'Deal archive'. The 'Deal archive' tab is active, displaying a 'SELECT FOLDER' header with a yellow '+' icon. Below this, there is a list of folders: 'CIN', 'DORIN20' (highlighted in yellow), and 'My favorite hands'. Each folder has edit and delete icons. On the right side, there is a vertical navigation menu with 'Messages', 'People', 'History', 'Account' (highlighted in yellow), and 'Director'.

Select the folder and at the bottom, click "Import LIN file". Follow on-screen instructions navigating to the LIN file.

Once completed, you will see a list of boards (no need to click on them), this means you are successful.



Under Director/Pending Tournaments/ find the event you need to load hands for and Edit Tournament (left click, Edit).



Choose the 2nd 'Format' tab at the top to the right of Tournament.

The image shows a 'Create Tournament' dialog box with a dark green header and a light blue background. The 'Format' tab is selected and highlighted in yellow. The dialog is divided into four main sections: 'Boards', 'Movement', 'Scoring', and a deal selection area. At the bottom, there are three blue buttons: 'Modify tournament', 'Copy tournament', and 'Close'.

Create Tournament [X]

Tournament **Format** Options Entries

Boards

Boards to play
18

Minutes per board
8

Boards per round
2

Movement

Clocked [v]

Scoring

Matchpoints [v]

Barometer

Use random deals

Use saved deals

Select folder

Modify tournament Copy tournament Close

A 'Deal Source' appears with options for Random or saved deals.

The screenshot shows a 'Select folder' dialog box. On the left, there is a 'Deal source' section with a dropdown menu set to 'Use saved deals' and a blue 'Select folder' button. On the right, a list of folders is shown: 'My hand folders' (in red), 'CIN', 'DORIN20' (highlighted in yellow), and 'My favorite hands'. The background is a light blue-grey color.

close the window when complete and finish by clicking "modify tournament". It doesn't have a "save deal" part but it is saved from the above the actions.

If you are amending the entry price (ie \$6 which is 600 on BBO), remember to go to Entries and set this also.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Tournament' dialog box with the 'Entries' tab selected. The 'Entries' tab is highlighted in yellow. The form contains the following fields and options:

- Maximum number...: 50
- Allow robots
- Type: BBUL
- Entry Fee: 600 (highlighted in yellow)
- Stars play free (IND only)