

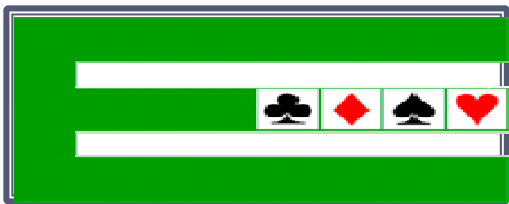


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EBL Statutes Review

Presented by

Eitan Levy & Paul Porteous



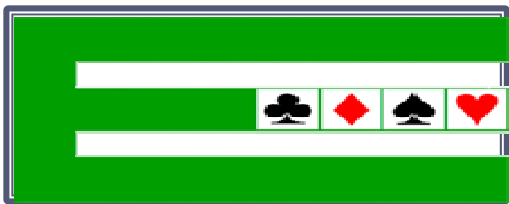
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ARTICLE 4

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~~The EBL is one of the Zonal Conferences referred to in the Constitution of the WBF and has vested in it the rights therein ascribed.~~

(Repeat of Article 3)

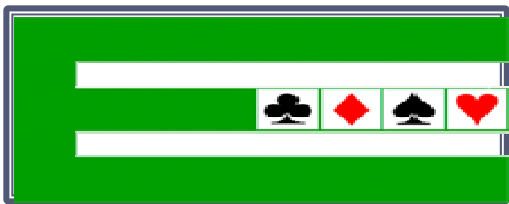


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ARTICLE 10

The EBL is a non-profit making organisation of a civil nature
incorporated as an Association in the meaning of Article 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code.

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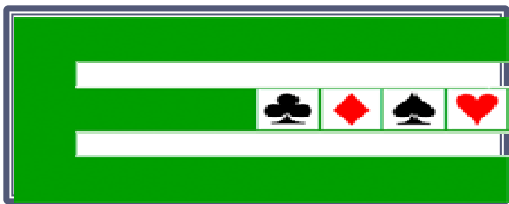


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Article 11

6. To regulate the correct running of competitions **and to prepare suitable persons for that purpose.**

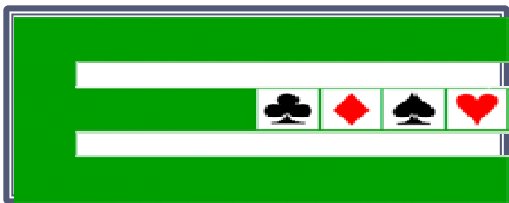
Replaces ~~'safeguard the health of bridge players'~~



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Article 12

In case of competing applications between two or more Federations of the same country, only the application of the Federation recognized by the Governmental Authority or the **National Olympic Committee (NOC)** will be accepted.

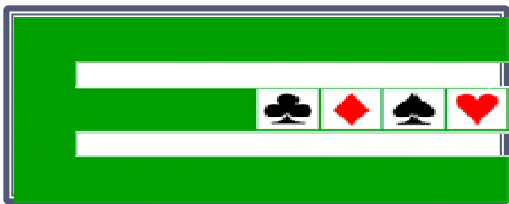


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Article 13

Restriction of affiliation

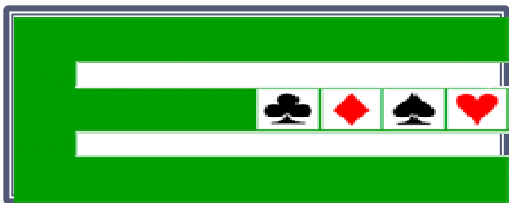
Bridge associations and bridge clubs of any kind established within the **political** territory of an NBO shall not be allowed to affiliate with any other NBO **within Europe.**



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Article 15

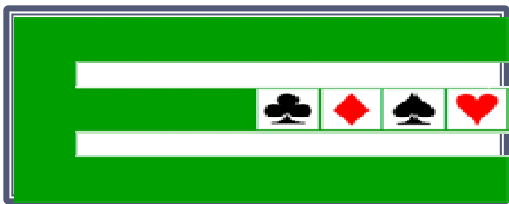
Each NBO must accept and respect all decisions taken by **the EBL and** other NBOs in disciplinary matters. In particular all NBOs within the League shall recognize **the EBL's and** each other's suspensions and expulsions, without examining the reason therefore



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Article 16

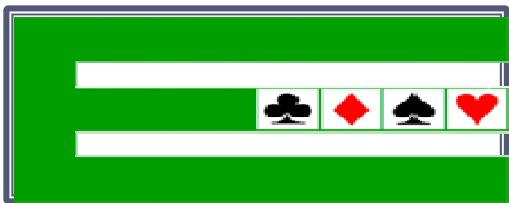
The membership dues are fixed by the General Assembly which can delegate ~~(on each particular occasion)~~ to the Executive Committee to establish the dues for the following two year period.



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Article 16

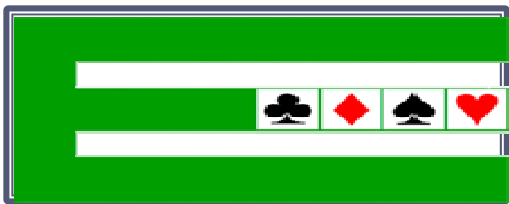
The General Assembly may establish for the following two-year period the age limit **or conditions under which the registered members of an NBO **are entitled to reduced fees, or** are not to be taken into account in relation to the payment of Membership dues.“**



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Article 17

In the case of possible litigation on any question (financial or otherwise) the EBL may make representations to ~~the National~~ **any** Organization which endorsed the application for admittance of the NBO now wishing to resign, or to any other national body under which the Federation operates

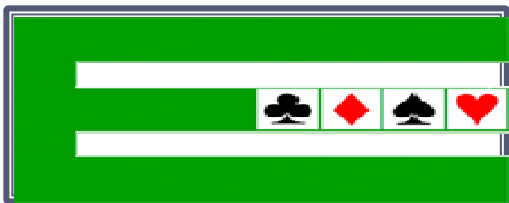


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Article 20

Each NBO is entitled to be represented by one delegate to the General Assembly. The name of the delegate must be given to the League's Secretary before the opening of the General Assembly. It must be confirmed in writing by an official letter **or email** from the NBO.

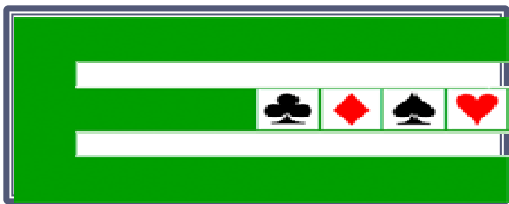
The EBL President and the members of the EBL Executive Committee cannot be delegates of any NBO.



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Article 21

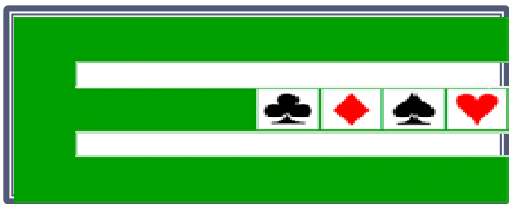
- The President or his replacement, **as determined by Article 24,**
(include in Para 1 & 3)
- The Administrative Office must maintain records of the registered mailings and delivery confirmations of emails.**
- The Executive Committee has the right to refuse to include such a matter on the Agenda, **for due cause**



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Article 22

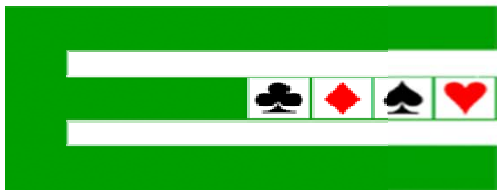
The attendance sheet signed ~~in the margin~~ by the delegates present shall be certified as being correct by the Assembly Committee.



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Article 24

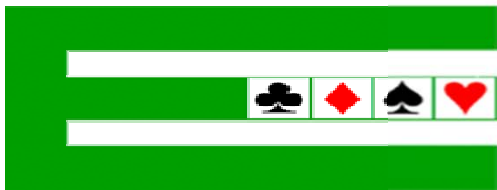
...the ~~oldest~~ **longest serving** member of the Executive Committee presides.



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Article 25

NBO which has participated in ~~at~~ **any** three of the League's main team events (Open Teams, Women Teams, **Senior Teams** and Youth Teams) during the previous two years

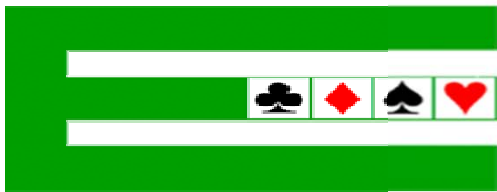


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Article 26

Remove

~~The minutes are also signed by the members of the Assembly Committee. However the absense of such a formality does not invalidate the deliberations.~~



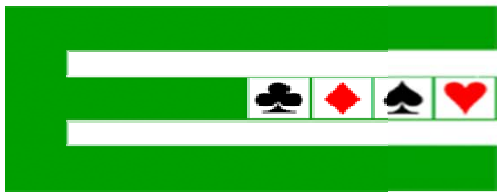
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Article 27

- No person may act as proxy for more than one NBO and no person may be both a proxy and a delegate.

(add)

- **No person who is a candidate for election may act as a proxy.**



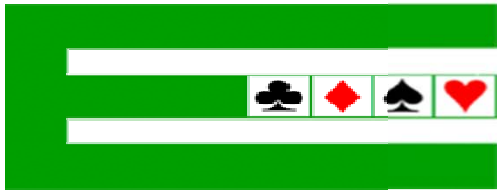
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Article 28

All NBOs have the right to obtain copies at **or from** the EBL Administrative Office of the necessary documents (classified hereunder) enabling it to comment on the management and running of the League

3. reasons **for** the draft resolutions **s** included on the Agenda

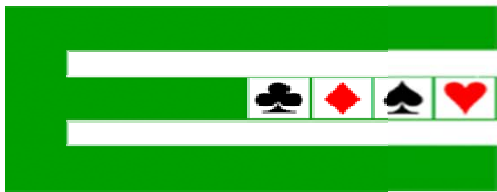
The following documents must be available for any NBO, delegate or proxy at **or from** the EBL Administrative Office



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Article 30

replacement, **as determined by Article 24,**



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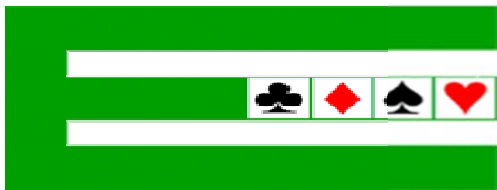
Article 31

~~The President is elected by secret ballot by the General Assembly for a 4 year term.~~

The President shall be elected by absolute majority of the votes cast by secret ballot at the General Assembly and shall serve for a term of four years, with a maximum of three consecutive terms. In the event that there are more than two candidates for the office of President, a candidate receiving an absolute majority of the votes is elected, otherwise the top two candidates at the end of the first vote will be voted upon again.

The age limit for candidates for the office of President is 75 years at the date of election.

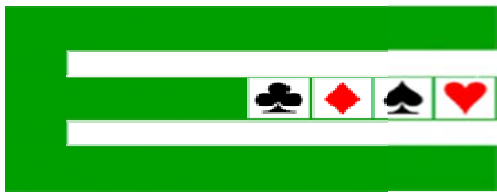
The President cannot be President of an NBO at the same time.



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Article 33

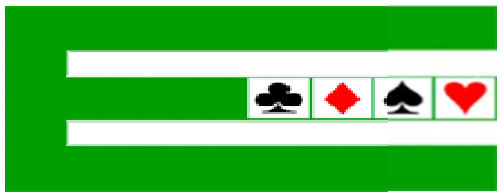
- 3. to uphold ~~amateurism and~~ the strict observation of ...regulations.
- 4. ~~to monitor and supervise the running of the NBOs~~
- **4. to maintain regular contact with ther NBOs**
- 10. to appoint **such Committees of the Executive Committee as are necessary for the smooth running of the EBL.**
- 11. to appoint **a** Disciplinary Commission ~~and the Appeals Tribunal Panel~~



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Article 33

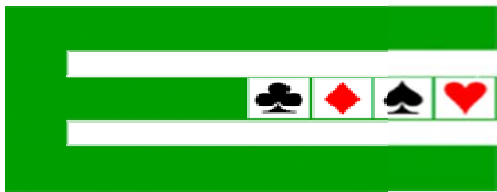
- 13.** to appoint ~~other committees~~ **chairmen and members of Committees who need not be members of the Executive Committee** as it deems useful and to invite the chairmen of such committees to participate as appropriate in Executive Committee meetings with consultative power;
- 14.** to revoke at any time the appointment of a committee **or of members thereof;**
- 15.** to award the EBL medals of distinction **or** recognitions
- 16.** to ratify decisions of the President taken in exceptional and extremely urgent circumstances



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Article 37

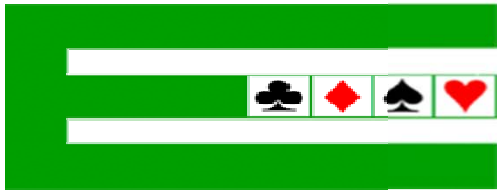
The outgoing EBL President and Executive Committee members in the absence of express renunciations, **or unless not in accordance with the term or age restrictions of Article 31**, are automatically nominated



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Article 39

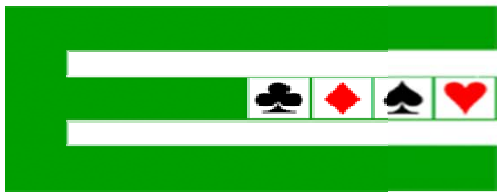
The candidate must be physically present at the General Assembly at the time of the election **unless absence is due to “force majeure”**



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Article 41

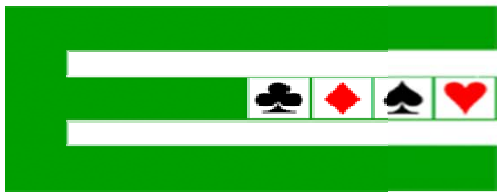
No more than two citizens **or bona fide residents** of any **country represented by its** NBO



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Article 42

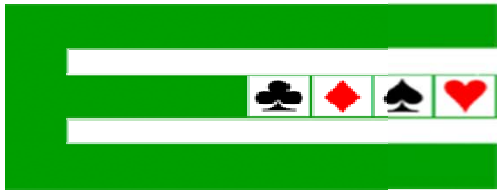
No person earning a substantial part of his income from **commercial** bridge activities
..... may be elected



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Article 43

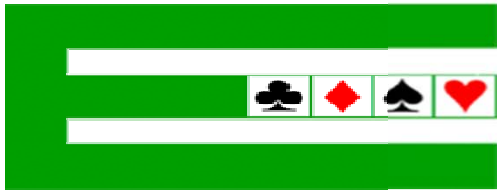
For the election of Executive Committee members an NBO may cast up to the number of votes it is entitled under Article 25 for up to twelve (but not more than twelve **nor less than six**) of the candidates.



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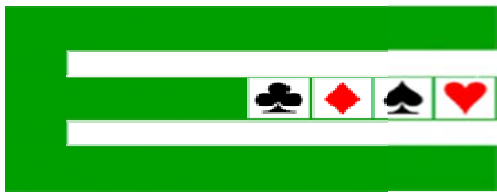
They may be re-elected **subject to the term and age restrictions of Article 31**



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Article 45

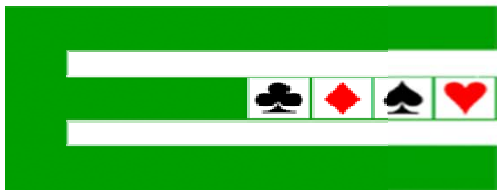
They may attend ~~Executive Committee meetings and~~ General Assemblies



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Article 47

The Executive Committee will constitute a Disciplinary Commission which consists of a President elected by, and from, the members of the Executive Committee and two other persons who are not members of any of the EBL or WBF (~~Authorities~~) **Executive Committees**

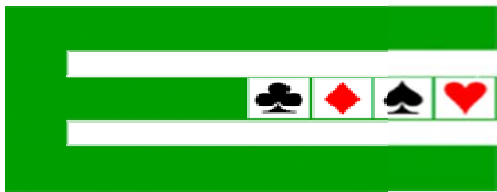


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Article 47

In case of incompatibility or default, the Executive Committee designates **s** the substitutes.

The Disciplinary Commission will act in accordance with the procedures set out in the Code of Discipline and the **WBF** Anti-Doping Rules.

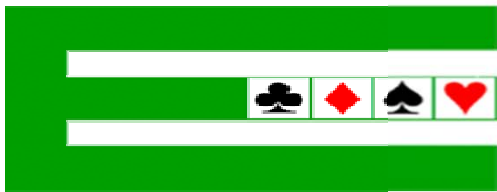


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~~Appeal Tribunal Panel~~

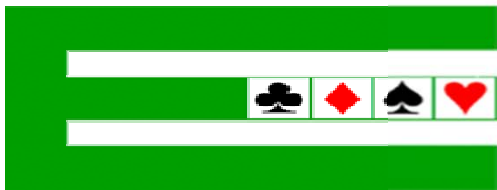
Remove Article 48 Completely



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Article 49

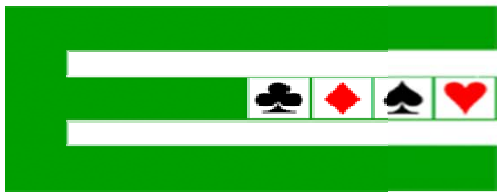
Any decision made by the ~~Appeal Tribunal~~
Disciplinary Commission



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Article 51

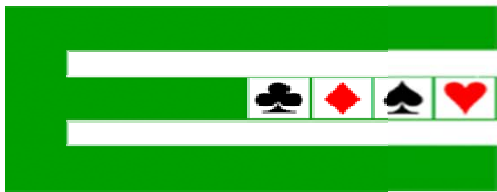
The Credentials Committee shall rule on the eligibility of any person nominated as a (~~participator~~) **participant** or captain in a championship or contest of the League, whether before or during the contest, giving due attention to **the Eligibility Code and reports from any person or Committee charged with ensuring correct and equitable conditions for the event**, (~~reports from the Appeals Committee and the Disciplinary Commission and the Medical and Prevention Commission,~~) and to prohibit any player or players, captain or captains, without having to disclose the reason, from participating in any championship or contest sanctioned and conducted under the auspices of the League.



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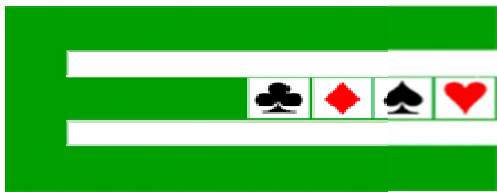
The members of the Executive Committee **and any members of the** ~~Management Committee~~ and various Committees and Commissions are entitled to reimbursement of costs of travel and accommodations **s** incurred in carrying out designated functions in the interests of the EBL: these need authorization by the President or his delegate.



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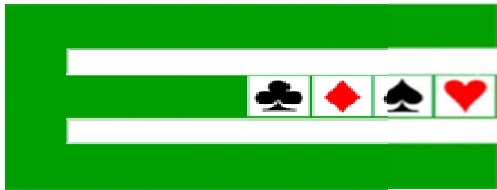
The Rules of Debate are to be observed at the General Assembly and, appropriately and suitably modified, at meetings of the **Presidential** Council and the Committees



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Article 65

The Statutes can be modified only by the General Assembly **at which a quorum is present by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the delegates present.** (~~and the Regulations only by the Executive Committee.~~) **The General Assembly shall adopt Bye Laws for the regulation and management of the affairs of the EBL and for various elements of the Statutes . Thereafter the By-Laws or any part of them may be amended ...**



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CHAPTER XIX

Transitional Provisions

Delete all 3 Articles

To modify bye laws?

The Bye Laws or any part thereof may be amended by the Executive Committee by the affirmative vote of 75% of all its members, provided the effective date of the Amendment fixed by the Executive Committee shall not be earlier than three months after electronic mailing of written notice and full text of the Amendment to each NBO and provided further that if NBOs who between them muster a majority of votes available at General Assembly make electronic mailing objection to the Amendment to the President before the effective date fixed by the Executive Committee, the Amendment shall be null and void.