

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB STANDING RULES

1. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party will be used for the purpose of electing new Board members. Only members who have paid their dues for the current year or the next year will be eligible to vote. The charge for the Christmas Party will be determined by the Board.

2. DIRECTOR

When a director asks a player to play in the game to complete a movement, that player as well as the Director will play free of charge.

3. DUES

To secure a membership, an individual will pay his/her dues to the Treasurer, Secretary, Director, or other assigned person. Numbered membership cards will be issued and the member's name and card number will be recorded on the membership roll.

4. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

No more than one member of the Board may serve on the Nominating Committee.

5. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

The board shall select a board member (not running for a new term) to chair the Election Committee, assisted by two club members (not on or running for the board) of his/her choice to handle early voting, absentee voting, and the annual election held in December. They will inform the President of the names of the newly elected Board members whose term will begin on January 1. The President will announce the winners after the election.

6. PLAYING FEES

The playing fee will be five dollars (\$5.00) per person.

7. FEES PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS, DIRECTORS AND E-COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

- a. The Secretary shall be paid forty dollars (\$40.00) per month for services performed. Also, the Secretary shall have a revolving fund of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to carry on correspondence (business, remembrance, etc.) of the Association.
- b. The Treasurer shall be paid forty dollars (\$40.00) per month for services performed.
- c. Directors shall be paid forty-five dollars (\$45.00) per session and an additional five dollars (\$5.00) per full or partial table over nine (9).

- d. The E-communications manager shall be paid sixty dollars (\$60.00) per month for services performed.

8. FEES FROM PROPRIETARY CLUBS

All proprietary clubs shall pay a space rental fee of \$4.50 per half table per session plus all ACBL fees to the FWDBA Treasurer by 10th of the following month. The FWDBA will send in the monthly reports and will pay all fees for all clubs to the ACBL.

9. FREE GAMES

- a. A new player may play one time without charge. A new player is defined as one who has not played previously at a FWDBA club game.
- b. If a player is called to play to fill out a movement, or to play with a player who has no partner, that player will play free. Other free plays may be approved by the Board.

10. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

The Board shall meet once a month. This meeting and any special meetings shall be open to all members of the FWDBA and shall be held, whenever possible, at the Bridge Center.

11. PROTEST PERIOD

The allowable protest period for a FWDBA game will end thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of the game.

12. CONVENTIONS

The FWDBA games shall be open to the use of any conventions listed on the General Bid Chart with exceptions determined by the Board.

13. FACILITY USE

Facilities may only be used with the approval of the Board.

14. CANCELED GAMES

There will be no game on Thanksgiving and on Christmas. Games may also be canceled by the director for inclement weather.

15. ZERO TOLERANCE

The ACBL-approved Zero Tolerance Policy will be enforced at all FWDBA games. Improper behavior may result in discipline by the Club up to and including suspension from all Club activities.

