**ROMANIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION**

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**CONDITIONS OF CONTEST FOR THE QUALIFYING PHASE OF THE NATIONAL MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIIONSHIPS**

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**Art. 1.** The qualifying phase of the national mixed pairs championships will take on the 2nd and 3rd of September, at Mamaia, according to the following schedule:

Saturday, Sep. 2nd - 10:30 - 1st session

Sunday, Sep. 3rd - 15:00 - 2nd session

**Art. 2.** The qualifying round of the national mixed pairs championships takes place as an open competition, but the players which are not members of the Romanian Bridge Federation cannot qualify to the finals.

**Art. 3.** The movement will be either Mitchell or Howell, according to the number of pairs entering.

**Art. 4.** The seating for the first round will be according to the Master Points from the Romanian National Trophy.

**Art. 5.** The finall classification will be based on the average of the 2 sessions, like this:

(S1 + S2) / 2 = Rf,

where: Rf = final result

S1, S2 = the results from the 2 play sessions

**Art. 6**. The number of pairs who qualify for the final round taking place in Bucharest during 11th and 12th of November will be of at least 12, according to the rankings of the qualifuing phase, given that they confirm their participation untill the 3rd of November.

**Art. 7.** The players from the National and First Series of the National Trophy are allowed to play directly in the final phase, given that they play with a partner from one of the 2 series.

**Art. 8.** If a player ranked according to article 7 plays at the qualifying phase and qualifies for the finals, he/she will not be able to participate in the finals except with the player he/she has qualified with.

**Art. 9**. If a player ranked according to article 7 plays at the qualifying phase and does not qualifies for the finals according to article 6, they can play in the finals according to article 7, but not with partners ranked according to article 7 who qualified according to article 6.

**Art. 10.** Pairs which will not confirm their participation according to article 6 will be replaced with pairs behind them in rankings of the qualifying phase.

**Art. 11.** According to the format of the finals, a 13th pair might qualify through a separate decision, so that no bye-rounds will exist at the finals.

**Art. 12**. The result of the qualiying phase does NOT count for the finals.

**Art. 13.** In the event a pair will stop playing, all their results shall stand, regardless of their number. Average plus will be aworded to all other pairs that should have played against that specific pair.

**Art. 14.** The followint tie-breakers exist:

1. the result of the better session;
2. The most MatchPoints against the best placed opponent that all the pairs have met in the last round

**Art. 15.** The entry fees are set according to the Regulations of the 2017 Mamaia International Bridge Festival.

**Art. 16.** The entry fee is included in the festival subscription, and the players who book their accomodation through the Federation get a 20% discount.

**Art. 17.** The member clubs of the Federation are hereby obliged to inform their members of this regulations in due time.

**Art. 18.** This regulations are completed with the General Conditions of Contest for contest taking place under the auspicies of F.R. Bridge .

**Art. 19.** In the case of discrepancies between the English and Romanian versions, the Romanian one shall prevail.

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