

Code of Conduct

Proper Attitude

1. Courtesy

A player should maintain a courteous attitude at all times. This involves greeting and interacting with each other in a friendly way.

2. Encouragement of less experienced players.

Experienced players should go out of their way to help novice players feel at ease and make allowances for lapses or errors.

3 Teamwork and Friendly Competition

Success at bridge requires a combination of skill, luck and a positive working relationship with your partner.

Etiquette

As a matter of courtesy a player should refrain from:

- Paying insufficient attention to the game
- Making disrespectful or gratuitous comments during the auction or play
- Taking too much time in bidding or play
- Detaching a card before it is his/her turn to play
- Conveying information to partner by gestures, hesitation, or mannerisms
- Summoning and addressing the Director in a manner discourteous to the Director or to other contestants
- Touching another player's cards
- Leaving the table at the end of the day's play without clearing away cups, paper etc.

Violations of Procedure

The following are considered violations of procedure

- Using different designations for the same call (for example, writing a bid in different ways to suggest different holdings)
- Indicating approval or disapproval of a call or play
- Commenting on the auction or play while still in progress
- Staring intently at any other player during the auction and play in an attempt to gain information or intimidate an opposition player
- Looking at another player's hand with the purpose of seeing his/her cards
- Showing an obvious lack of further interest in a deal (as by folding one's cards)
- Varying the normal tempo of bidding or play for the purpose of transmitting information or disconcerting an opponent

Complaints Procedure

Behaviour that is considered detrimental to an individual or the CHBC in general should be referred to the session director or a member of the committee

The procedure will be:

- A director or committee member will speak to the offender
- The president will telephone the offender
- A letter will be sent from the club
- Suspension will be imposed for a period.