

TBA Policy

Name: Multi and Event Prizes

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Purpose:

This policy documents how TBA branded glassware will be used as prizes for monthly multi competitions and some club and state events. The policy is intended to maintain some prestige associated with receiving a prize, while also preventing a small number of pairs dominating.

Policy:

The TBA has acquired a supply of TBA branded glassware, in two sizes, for use as prizes in the monthly multis and in selected club and state events.

Monthly Multis

The smaller glasses will be used as prizes for the monthly multis run for most regular weekly sessions. The top placed eligible pair in each multi will be presented with two of the smaller glasses, by the officiating Director at the start of the next month (or when the individuals involved next play in the session).

Pairs will be limited to winning three glasses per calendar year in each session's multi. Once a pair has won a specific session's multi three times in a calendar year they will be ineligible to receive further glasses for that session for the remainder of the calendar year. Note that this does not impact who wins the multi or the awarding of masterpoints. A pair could win more than three sets of glasses per year by winning multis across different sessions. A player may also receive more than three glasses per year for a specific session if they win with different partners. It will be the responsibility of the Director awarding the prizes to determine eligibility.

If the top placed pair (or pairs) in a given month's multi are ineligible to receive glasses, the glasses will be awarded to the highest placed eligible pair provided that the pair is placed third or higher. If the highest placed eligible pair is placed lower than third no glasses will be awarded that month.

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Club and State Events

The larger glasses will be awarded to the top placed players in selected club and state events. In general only the top placed players will receive glasses (ie the pair or team placed first). In general glasses will not be awarded for restricted category or handicap winners within a combined field. Exceptions to these guidelines, for example for the more significant multi-day events such as the Eastcoaster Swiss Pairs, may be proposed by the Director or Convener for approval by the TBA Executive.

Use of glasses at the Tasmanian Festival of Bridge will be at the Convener's discretion.

Excluded Events

Glasses will not be awarded for the following events:

- Semi-regular monthly sessions (eg. Sunday Swiss and Roger's Teams).
- Single-session club events and special events (eg. Melbourne Cup, Annual General Meeting, Christmas Party, single session red masterpoint events).
- GNOT qualification sessions and regional finals

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