

"RTU Open 2019 Bridge"

REGULATIONS

I. Purpose and Objectives

- 1. To promote bridge as a component of sports and active recreation.
- 2. To give the opportunity for those interested in the sports bridge to participate in the tournament and to raise their qualification.

II. Time and place

3. Tournament RTU Open 2019 Bridge (hereinafter referred to as the tournament) shall take place on August 3rd, 2019. The tournament starts at 10.00 am and the tournament takes place at the international exhibition center "Ķīpsala", Kipsala Street 8, Riga, Latvia.

III. Organizers

- 4. The tournament is organized by Riga Technical University in cooperation with Latvian Bridge Federation and Bridge Club Sigulda.
- 5. Responsible person for the tournament Egons Lavendelis. Responsible person for processing results Karlis Rubins.

IV. Participants

6. Any player who has registered for the tournament and has paid entry fee may participate in the tournament. Registration before the tournament takes place at bridge.lv homepage. Registration will take place until August 1st, 2019 at 23:00. If a player has missed the registration, the tournament director may allow them to play if it's technically possible. Players are not divided into special groups.

V. Tournament rules

- 7. The tournament is for pairs only.
- 8. The pairs tournament consists of two sessions: the start of the 1st session at 10:00, the start of the 2nd session at 15:00.
- 9. 22-24 deals are played in each session, depending on the number of participants.
- 10. The Event is organized in accordance with 2017 LAWS OF DUPLICATE BRIDGE as well as the rules, policies and guidelines (WBF Regulations, Policies and Guidelines) of the World Bridge Federation that are compatible with this Regulation.
- 11. Highly non-volatile systems (HUM) as well as Brown Sticker conventions are not allowed, except for the Multi $2 \blacklozenge$ opening (block in one of the mayors).
- 12. In the tournament it is forbidden to:
 - 12.1. smoke:
 - 12.2. use alcoholic beverages;

12.3. use mobile phones during the play, including leaving the phone with the sound on.

VI. Directors

- 13. Pair tournament results are calculated according to MATCHPOINTS system.
- 14. The results of a pair tournament are determined by summing the results of both sessions and expressing them as a percentage.
- 15. Tournament director is Diana Kampara. The results of the tournament are published on the bridge.lv website.

VII. Protests

- 16. Correction of results is possible 15 minutes after announcing session results and publishing printouts at the game site.
- 17. If necessary, the tournament director shall set up an appeal committee to which members may submit protests. There are three people on the Board of Appeal. Three people are considered on a case-by-case basis unless a participant is potentially interested, then the decision is made by two members of the Board of Appeal. In case the Appeals Board cannot decide because two people are potentially interested, a new Appeals Board is called. The composition of the Commission shall be determined by the organizers. A deposit of EUR 20 is required for lodging an appeal.

VIII. Awarding

18. The first three places in the pairs tournament are awarded with cups and cash prizes. The cash prize is set by the event organizer on the day of the tournament. The total prize pool is at least 50% of the total membership fees.

IX. Registration

19. Application for entry is open until 11pm on 1st August 2019 at Latvian Bridge Federation's home page www.bridge.lv.

X. Entry fee

20. Entry fee is EUR 10.00 per player, 50% discount for juniors and seniors. Pupils take part in the tournament for free. Entry fee is paid on the spot in cash on the tournament day.

XI. More information

21. Additional information: Egons Lavendelis, 29876891, egons.lavendelis@rtu.lv or Kārlis Rubins, 29724610, k.rubins@inbox.lv.