



## GUIDELINES FOR PLAY IN A LOWER DIVISION

All members may play in open sessions (currently Wednesday and Friday afternoons).

Any Junior player may play in the Bronze Division.

### 1) Filling In

A member may fill in at a lower Division

- where the normal ring-in or WhatsApp system has not found a partner for that player from the Division or a lower Division.
- to help make up a partnership to avoid the need for a phantom.
- in an emergency.

### 2) Shorter Playing Night

A member may seek approval from the promotions committee to play in a lower division where an earlier finish better meets that member's needs.

### 3) Stepping stone

Members returning to bridge after a significant period of absence may seek the approval of the promotions committee to play in a division lower than when they previously played for a period of time.

### 4) Beginner Lesson Tutors

Beginner lesson tutors may play (or assist students with play) in a lower division for a period of up to two months following the lessons.

### 5) President

The president (and partner) may play in any division at any time where the president considers there are benefits to the club.

## **General Expectations**

- Members playing in a lower division will use a number assigned to them for the night rather than their normal computer number.
- Approvals from the Promotions Committee will not be unreasonably withheld as long as the approval is within the interests of the club and the game of Bridge.