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Procedures for dealing with unplayable / fouled Boards, & Substitute Boards

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1. Removing boards

The Head TD may remove unplayed boards if in their opinion a delay in finishing the match in the allotted time would interfere with the smooth running of the competition.

2. Unplayable or fouled boards in RR , Swiss or KO Team play.

If a board is unplayable for any reason, then:

- 2.1. If the board has not yet been played at the other table, the director shall substitute a new board if practical.
- 2.2. If a board remains unplayed at both tables the match is scored as though that board had never been played and the appropriate VP-IMP table is used for the boards actually played. In addition penalties (eg for slow play) may be applied to any offending side.
- 2.3. If the board/s has/have already been played at the other table then Law 86 will be applied.

3. Unplayable or fouled boards in Pairs

- 3.1. Unplayable boards will be scored applying Law 12C(2).
- 3.2. Fouled boards will be scored in groups as follows.
 - a) If a group contains fewer than four scores, the scores in that in that group shall be as follows:
 - i Group contains only one score - both pairs are awarded 60% of the points available.
 - ii Group contains two scores. If identical, both pairs receive 60%. If the scores are different, the better score receives 65%, the lesser 55%.
 - iii Group contains three scores - the best receives 70%, the middle 60%, the lowest 50%. Ties share the match points.
 - b) For all groups containing four or more scores, match points shall be awarded in accordance with the Neuberg formula. After scoring all the boards in a single match or meeting the match points will be rounded off to the nearest tenth of a match point, 0.05 being counted as 0.1.
- 3.3. In addition to any score adjustments penalties may be applied to any offending pairs.

4. Unplayable or fouled boards in BAM

- 4.1. If the board has not yet been played at the other table, the director shall substitute a new board if practical.
- 4.2. If a board is unplayable at both tables, then:
 - a) If both teams are responsible, they both receive zero.



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- b) If neither team is responsible, they both receive at least one, or their team percentage of session if better.
 - c) If one team is responsible, it receives 0, and their opponents receive at least 1, or their team percentage of session if better.
 - d) Any team or teams responsible for an irregularity requiring the assignment of an artificial adjusted score shall be penalized by half a matchpoint.
- 4.3. If the board/s has/have already been played at the other table then Law 86 will be applied.

