

# GUIDELINES FOR TEAMS TOURNAMENTS

## 9 Teams

See the section on Formats for an Odd Number of Teams.

### a) One-Day Events

#### i) Round Robin over 3 Sessions

$3+3+2 = 8 \times 8$  board matches – 64 boards

$3+3+2 = 8 \times 10$  board matches – 80 boards (12 board VP scale)

A draw is given in the Round Robin Draw Tables.

#### ii) Swiss Format over 2 or 3 Sessions

**Note: An even number of rounds must be played**

$2+2 = 4 \times 16$  board matches – 64 boards

=  $4 \times 18$  board matches – 72 boards (20 board VP scale)

=  $4 \times 20$  board matches – 80 boards

Over 3 sessions the matches can be arranged  $1+2+1$ .

### b) Two-Day Events

#### i) Round Robin over 4 or 5 Sessions

$2+3+2+3 = 8 \times 12$  board matches – 96 boards

=  $8 \times 14$  board matches – 112 boards

=  $8 \times 16$  board matches – 128 boards

#### ii) Swiss Format over 4 Sessions

**An even number of rounds must be played**

$1+1+1+1 = 4 \times 24$  board matches – 96 boards

=  $4 \times 28$  board matches – 112 boards

=  $4 \times 32$  board matches – 132 boards

#### iii) Qualifying followed by Final / Plate

There are many variations of format that can be applied, essentially using any of the one-day formats listed above as the qualifying tournament, then using either round robin, or knockout methods in the Final and Plate.

A few of the preferred formats are detailed below.

### **1) Swiss Qualifying / Round Robin Final – 4 to Qualify**

#### **Qualifying:**

1+1+1+1 = 4x16 board matches  
= 4x18 board matches  
= 4x20 board matches

#### **Final**

Round Robin

1+1+1 = 3x16 board matches

#### **Plate**

a) New Swiss draw for 5 teams

1+1+1 = 3x16 board matches

b) Round Robin

3+2 = 5x8 board matches

### **2) Swiss Qualifying / Knockout Final – 2 to Qualify**

#### **Qualifying**

As above

#### **Final**

48 board final

#### **Plate**

New Swiss Draw for 7 teams

1+1+1 = 3x16 board matches

1+1+1+1 = 4x12 board matches

### **3) Swiss Qualifying / Knockout Final – 4 to Qualify**

#### **Qualifying**

As above

#### **Final**

24 board semi-final with either:

- the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked team after the qualifying drawn against the fourth, and 2<sup>nd</sup> playing 3<sup>rd</sup>

- the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked team having the choice of opponents from the other qualifiers

24 board final and 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> play-off

#### **Plate**

As above in format 1

### **c) Victory Point Scales for the Above Formats**

See the IMP to VP conversion scales.