

Director's Quick Reference Guide

Fouled Board (Law 87)

When a Fouled Board is discovered the cards must be corrected. Then...

The Scoring

Determine as closely as possible which scores were obtained on the board in its correct form and which in the changed form(s). Divide the scores on that basis into groups, those who played the board in the correct form and those who played it fouled and score each group separately. (Scoring programs have this feature)

How many tables played the fouled version?

1

50% each*

2

When compared with the other table. The higher N/S result gets 55% and the lower 45%. The E/W get the converse.* (If both have the same score they all get 50%)

3

When compared with the other tables. The highest N/S result gets 60% then 50% and the lowest 40%. The E/W get the converse.* (If pairs have the same score then add the appropriate percentages together and divide by the number of pairs with that score.)

4 or more

All results stand. With the groups scored separately. The formula to work this out is in the manual pg D69 (2016) but the scoring program will do it for you

FOULED BOARD

A board is fouled if the Director determines that a card (or more than one) was displaced in the board, or if he determines that the dealer or vulnerability differed between copies of the same board, and the contestants who should have had a score comparison did not play the board in identical form for such reason.

* A pair no way at fault receives a 10% indemnity. Practically this tends to mean the table that discovered the fouling, gets 10% added.